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MATCHED PAIR OF QIANLONG LAMPS

China circa 1775.

Private collection near Bath, Somerset; English private collection.

Height 25½" (65cm) Diameter 9" (23cm)

The baluster-shaped bodies with later brass caps for conversion to lamps bases; alterations, necks trimmed; minor differences in size and colour (shades not included).

This matched pair of Chinese blue and white vases are underglaze-painted with what is described in the West as the 'Willow Pattern' below an attractive butterfly diaper pattern border, seen on French and Dutch porcelain and ornament of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries.

They would probably have originally had lids but have been electrified and converted into lamps at some stage in the twentieth-century.

£6,900