



left: the monk Vasubhandu (Jap: Seishin)
right: the monk Asanga (Jap: Muchaku)
Kofuku-ji, Nara, Japan
Kamakura period, 1212
by Unkei
wood with paint and inlaid eyes, 187.9 cm



Goddess Retinue of Winumyin, protectress of Tabo
from the earliest wall paintings of Tabo, circa 9th c
These women are wearing Western Tibetan style robes
Tabo Monastery, Spiti, Himachal Pradesh, India



Bodhisattva from Fondukistan Monastery
Afghanistan, 7th c
terracotta, dimensions unknown
Musée Guimet, Paris



Bodhisattva Maitreya with Attendants

from cave temple complex at Kizil, Kucha, Xinjiang Uighur Autonomous Region

Cave 224, 5-6th c, 104 x 261 cm

Berlin, Museum für Indische Kunst (MIK III 8836)



Maitreya

Central Tibet, 2nd half 13th c
distemper on cloth,

79.4 x 62.9 cm

Private Collection

From exhibition catalog: Radiant
Awakening, Art Gallery of New
South Wales



Pensive Bodhisattava (Maitreya)

Korea, Three Kingdoms period (57 bce - 676 ce), mid-17th c
gilt bronze, 22.5 cm

Walter and Leonore Annenberg and the Annenberg
Foundation Gift, 2003 (2003, 222)

Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York



Bodhisattva Maitreya
Hadda region of Afghanistan,
Gandharan style, 4-6th c
Displayed at the Dallas Museum of Art
(image from Reddit/ ArtefactPorn)



The monk Budai as Bodhisattva Maitreya (Chi: Mile)
China, Ming dyanasty, 1504
ink and colour on silk, 169.8 x 97.8 cm
Chinese and Japanese Special Fund (12.883)
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston



Hotei

(Laughing Buddha, synonymous with Maitreya)

by Kano Masanobu, Japan 1434-1530

ink and colour on paper, 81.5 x 44.8 cm

Red Yusei seal 1.r, John C. Weber Collection

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New South Wales



Maitreya (Mile)

China, Northern Wei dynasty (386-534), dated 486

gilt bronze with traces of pigment, piece-mold cast, 140.3 cm

John Stewart Kennedy Fund, 1926 (26.123)

Asian Museum of San Francisco,

The Avery Brundage Collection



Maitreya (Mile)

China, Northern Wei dynasty (385-534), dated 524

gilt bronze, 76.8 cm

Rogers Fund, 1938 (38.158.1a-n)

Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York



Bodhisattva Maitreya

Prakhon Chai, Buriram Province, Thailand

Pre-Angkor period, 8th c

copper alloy with inlays of silver and black stone, 96.5 cm

The Mr. & Mrs. John D. Rockefeller 3rd Collection (1973.63),

Asia Society, New York

Maitreya,

Cambodia, 7th c

Bronze, 22 inches

Private Collection, New York

From *Art of India and Southeast Asia* by Hugo Munsterberg,
published by Abrams, 1970





Bodhisattva Maitreya

Pakistan, ancient region of Gandhara, 100-300 ce
Schist

The Avery Brundage Collection, B605597

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Maitreya

attributed Zanabazar

China or Mongolia, 17th c

gilt bronze, 24.5 inches tall

Gift of John Welsh, 1963.5

Harvard University Art Museums





Maitreya
Matura, Kushan, 2nd c
dimensions and source unknown

Bodhisattva Maitreya
NE India, Late Pala 11-12th c
Potala Lhasa





Left to right: Avalokiteshvara, Maitreya, Vajrapani

Portable shrine, 71.4 cm

Guge or Purang Tibet, 1220 ce

(Exhibition Catalog: "Tibet: Klöster öffnen ihre Schatzkammern" pub by Hirmer ")