



MID-CENTURY CHINESE EXPORT PORCELAIN PARROT CANDLESTICKS ON GILT BRONZE BASES

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This whimsical pair of mid-century candlesticks was crafted circa 1950, likely for the Chinese export market, and features vividly painted porcelain parrots perched atop floral-covered tree stumps. Richly glazed in tones of emerald green, turquoise, and coral, each bird is modeled in high relief with expressive detailing and a charming sense of character. The porcelain rests on ornate gilt bronze rocaille bases with scroll feet and pierced decoration, further enhancing their decorative appeal. Atop each parrot is a gilt metal candleholder shaped as a stylized thistle blossom with leafy accents, completing the playful yet refined composition. The underside bears a red hallmark with a crowned emblem and the date "1895," a mark associated with 20th-century Chinese decorative porcelain referencing an earlier founding date for stylistic prestige rather than actual age. Each piece measures approximately 14.25 inches high by 6 inches wide and 6 inches deep. In excellent condition consistent with age and use, these lively figural candleholders would make a delightful accent in eclectic, chinoiserie, or maximalist interiors.