

# How to Bid

There are different ways to bid in this sale: online, absentee bidding, telephone, in-person and in advance of the auction. You can register to bid in these ways via the Register to Bid link on the auction page. “Advance bids” can be placed via our Advance bid form ([click here](#)) where you have the option to set up your maximum bid on a lot.

## Advance Bidding

1. To place an Advance Bid before an auction, pick a lot you like and click on “Place Bid”. If you pick a premium lot, we may perform additional credit or financial checks before you are able to place a bid.
2. Set your bid amount. You can either place a bid at the next increment or select a maximum bid. Your maximum bid will be executed confidentially by the system on your behalf in response to other competitive bids placed on that lot.
3. After choosing your bid amount, click on “Confirm Bid”. You will then be asked to either log into your account or to create a FutureGrail account
4. From your account, accept our Conditions of Sale, and confirm your bid. You will be required to do this only once after placing your first bid in the sale.
5. You will receive a confirmation of your bid on your dashboard and via email, you will receive notification on your dashboard and via email.
6. Advance bidding in an auction will end on a date published in [futuregrail.com](#).

## Online-only Auction

At a date and time specified on [futuregrail.com](#), a time-based, online-only auction will start when the auctioneer opens each lot for bidding at the current bid established based on advance bidding that preceded it. If there are no advance bidding, the auctioneer will open each lot at either a low estimate or at a reserve.

You will be able to participate by bidding online via [futuregrail.com](#). Bids will be accepted in the order they are received and the highest bidder in the auction will win each lot. Before a lot closes for bidding, the auctioneer will send a “fair warning” message stating that the lot will close imminently.

Please note that your leading maximum bid placed before the auction begins does not guarantee that you will not be outbid by another user before the lot closes.

## Telephone Bidding

Telephone bidding allows you to bid remotely with the support of our salesroom. If you prefer to do so, we can call you directly from the salesroom and bid online on your behalf. If we are unable to reach you during a live sale, we recommend you submit a duly completed Absentee bid form to us to avoid disappointment. Please register beforehand by contacting our Client Services for assistance.

## In-person

Please book an appointment via <http://tinyurl.com/597cdsb6> to visit Future Grail's Muesum and Vault in Singapore where the entire catalogue is physically showcased. During your visit you can state the lots you are interested in to our Client Services.

## **Glossary**

### **Starting bid**

A starting bid for each lot is the lowest possible bid you can place on that lot. You may bid at or above the starting bid. The starting bid is either a low estimate or a reserve. Please note that placing a starting bid for a lot at a low estimate does not mean you have met the reserve. You will however be notified if you are the leading bidder or outbid. Future Grail reserves the right to lower the starting bid before the commencement of an auction.

### **Maximum bid**

Like an Absentee bid, a Maximum bid is the highest bid you are prepared to place on a lot. The bidding system will automatically place incremental bids on your behalf in response to any competing bids up to your maximum bid. The bidding system will place bids starting from the lowest increments. The Bidding Table can be found on your screen before you place a bid on any lot. You will be informed on-screen on your account's dashboard and via email if you are outbid and shall be given an opportunity to increase your bid. We suggest you make full use of the maximum bid feature if you are unable to return to your interested lot when the auction begins. Please note that in the event of a tie between two (2) maximum bids, the bidding system will accept the bid which was placed first.

### **Absentee bid**

Absentee bidding via an Absentee bid form (click [here](#)) allows you to leave a Maximum bid with Future Grail prior or during an auction. Future Grail will then bid on your behalf up to your Maximum bid amount during the auction. If someone else bids higher than your Maximum bid, you will be outbid. We will notify you after the auction if you win the lot.

### **Quick bid**

During the auction, you may opt to place a Quick bid on a lot instead of a Maximum Bid. A Quick bid is the fastest way to increase your bid to the next increment as shown in the [Bidding Table](#). You can place a Quick Bid for a lot by choosing the next increment from the drop-down menu and confirming your bid on [futuregrail.com](http://futuregrail.com).

### **My Active Bids**

You can view all your active bids on the dashboard of your Future Grail account under the section called "My Active Bids". This easily shows the status of all your bids. You can also click "My Active Bids" to go to your active lots in addition to scrolling through the online catalogue.