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Antique Turkmen Uk Bash
(tent-pole bag), Yomut Tribes,
Trans-Caspian Steppes,
Turkmenistan, Central Asia.

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA1033112

Date of manufacture: 1880

Dimensions

Height = 109 cm (42.9")

Width = 28 cm (11.0")

Description

The Turkmen camel caravan would not only carry the storage bags but would also need to transport the Oy (yurt) itself. This was split up into sections with camels carrying certain parts of the structure. One camel, however, would carry the fifty odd roof rods, which were split evenly into two bundles and tied to each flank with the pointed ends to the rear. These pointed ends were then covered with a long bag called an 'uk bash', which were made in pairs and with long tassels which would swing from side to side as the camel walked, warning the animals and people not to get too close for obvious reasons! The uk bash were knotted in one piece then brought together and sewn up, leaving an opening at the top through which the pointed struts could be pushed into. Made by Yomut Turkmen in the trans-Caspian Steppes circa 1880, complete uk bash are now rare and although its partner has long been separated, this fabulous bag is in near perfect condition. For a similar example, please refer to page 50 in the third edition of my book 'Tribal Rugs - Treasures of the Black Tent'. Size: 28cm x 1.09m (11" x 3' 7") including tassels.

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