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Antique Turkmen Chuval, Abdal Tribes, Turkmenistan, Central Asia.

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA1179122

Date of manufacture: 1860

Dimensions

Height = 74 cm (29.1")

Width = 120 cm (47.2")

Description

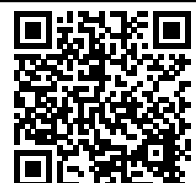
A most attractive chuval (storage-bag) made by Abdal Turkmen circa 1860-1870. The deep, brick-red ground consists of nine Abdal guls (tribal crests), nicely spaced throughout. Particularly attractive and interesting is the 'elem' (lower-skirt) with what appears to be zoomorphic symbols randomly placed. Symbolically, it is believed that the elem represents the earthly world and the field within the borders being the world of the spirit. Originally made as a pair, this chuval once had a flat-woven back and was used for transporting large items within the tribe, such as bedding, pots and pans etc. During migrations, they were hung on either flank of the camel. Overall in complete condition, there are signs of minor wear in the field and thus priced accordingly. Size: 1.20m x 0.74m (3' 11" x 2' 5").

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