

SA1183301

Rare Antique Hamadan Carpet

Price

GBP 24,000

| USD \$32,412 | EUR 28,085

Item Reference: SA1183301

Date of manufacture: 1870

Dimensions

Height = 410 cm (161.4")

Width = 312 cm (122.8")

Depth = 1 cm (0.4")

Description

The colours on this ancient carpet are truly breath-taking! Woven between circa 1860-1870 and using the best natural vegetable dyes, we can see remarkable greens, early aubergine dyes and these saturated pinks and reds are fabulous too! We believe this to be woven around the Hamadan region of Persia in the North-West, but it is an early example and quite unique, it could even be a Malayer carpet which is in the Hamadan province. As the weave is very fine and the detailing intricate and beautifully executed. The border pattern is more in-keeping with Caucasian designs further into Azerbaijan and is so well proportioned and done in a larger scale, which is true to the earlier age of this rare carpet. The famous 'Herati' design has been used in the main field which consists of a flower centred in a diamond with curving lanceolate leaves located outside the diamond and parallel to each side. There are many versions of this design in different shapes and varying sizes. This design has been stylised through the centuries and is supposed to represent two fish swimming around a water-lily, the design in 19th century carpets depicts two leaves around a flower. The condition i...

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