

SA431584

Antique Half Saddlebag Face,
Timuri Tribes, Western
Afghanistan.

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA431584

Date of manufacture: 1870

Dimensions

Height = 83 cm (32.7")

Width = 66 cm (26.0")

Description

Beautiful vegetable colours abound in this half saddlebag face - once part of a large double bag. The indigo-blue inner field glows with fine, lustrous wool and the ivory outer border with its depiction of stylised plants, frames the field powerfully. Within the central madder-red square, zoomorphic horned creatures are depicted and the four ivory '8-pointed stars' in the blue field link up with the single ivory '8-pointed star' in the centre of the bag, symbolising the magic number '5' - protection. The brown colour in the central red square has corroded due to the wool having been mordanted over 100 years ago and thus corroding or eating away at the wool. This is a superb example of mid 19th century Timuri weaving. Size: 83cm x 66cm (2' 9" x 2' 2").

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