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Antique Salt-Bag, Sanjabi Kurds, Kurdistan.

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA692369****Date of manufacture: 1910**

Dimensions

Height = 77 cm (30.3")

Width = 38 cm (15.0")

Description

This magnificent namakdan (salt-bag) has been in my personal collection for many years and sadly, it is time for it to be passed into the hands of someone who will treasure it like I have. It is one of the largest salt-bags I've encountered in my many years of dealing and collecting and certainly one of the most majestic bags I've come across. Woven in complimentary weft-weave on the front, it is important to look at the back and observe the fantastic chevron pattern in beautiful shades of vegetable colours. I wonder what the weaver was thinking when she inserted these chevrons? Could they symbolically represent flowing water? Quite possibly, as salt and water were vital in the everyday lives of these Sanjabi Kurd nomads. The bag is in near-mint condition with its original tassels symbolising 'good luck' and 'good fortune' and its original long, braided handle for transporting the bag. Illustrated in my third edition 'Tribal Rugs - Treasures of the Black Tent' on page 239, this bag was made during the early part of the 20th century. Size: 77cm x 38cm (2' 6" x 1' 3").

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