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Antique Afshar Masnad, Afshar
Nomads, Bardsir Region,
Kerman Province, South Persia.

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA823285

Date of manufacture: 1850

Dimensions

Height = 120 cm (47.2")

Width = 109 cm (42.9")

Description

This is a truly fabulous and very rare 'masnad' (seating-rug), made by Afshar nomads during the middle of the nineteenth century in the Bardsir region of Kerman Province, south Persia. The 'masnad' was specifically made in a small, square size for the Khan or visiting dignitaries to sit on whilst giving an audience to the principal leaders amongst the tribe. The masnad was therefore a very special and highly prized rug, never intended for sale. The design in this little masnad is rare. It probably depicts either a highly stylised lotus blossom or an open-winged eagle, amid vegetal patterns and embellished with stylised 'tree-of-life'. See a similar example of the type in Parviz Tanavoli's 'Afshar - Tribal Weaves from South East Iran'. Size: 1.20m x 1.09m (4' 0" x 3' 7").

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