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Antique Pillow-Bag Face (balisht), Baluch Tribes, Ferdows, South-East Persia.

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA849531****Date of manufacture: 1900**

Dimensions

Height = 91 cm (35.8")

Width = 51 cm (20.1")

Description

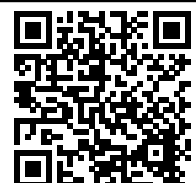
Two subservient tribal women dominate the terracotta ground of this charming pillow-bag face, made by Baluch nomads in the Ferdows region of south-east Persia around 1900 - 1910. My experience of living amongst two tribal groups in the 1970s and subsequent forays into other tribes in the 1990s, certainly made me realise that women were not in any way subservient but decision makers within their tribal groups. Originally having a plain-weave back which has been lost or damaged through use, the knotted-pile face that remains, is in excellent condition. The remains of the brocaded ends can be seen and in the lower right side of the field, a natural green 'tree of life' rises upwards from the underworld through the earthly world to the spiritual realms. This balisht has hung on our wall for many years; is illustrated in my third edition 'Tribal Rugs - Treasures of the Black Tent' page 123 and now it is time for some other very lucky person out there to enjoy it as much as we have! Size: 91cm x 51cm (3' 0" x 1' 8").

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