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Rug. Khorjin Design. Persia. Circa 1880. 62 X 55 Cm



450 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Wool

Length : 62 cm

Width : 55 cm

Description

Some small pieces possess all the richness of a large rug. This antique Persian khorjin rug is a beautiful example of this. Despite its small size, the design is astonishingly dense and, above all, remarkably refined. Knotted wool-on-wool, it can be dated to the late 19th century, likely from a Kurdish workshop in western Iran. The central field, in a particularly deep indigo blue, is organized around a powerful ivory medallion with jagged, hooked contours. Surrounding it is a multitude of stylized geometric and plant motifs: palmettes, small diamonds, rosettes, and cross-shaped forms interlock almost without leaving any empty space. The whole is framed by several successive borders, including a wide ivory border with angular motifs, which brings light and rhythm to this particularly rich

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composition. The upper section alone is worth taking a closer look at. It replaces the knotted velvet with an extremely fine flat weave, composed of small compartments featuring herringbone patterns. The slits visible between these elements are not accidental: they were part of the khorjin's original closure system. Loops from the other side of the bag were threaded through these openings and then intertwined, creating a closure system that is both simple and remarkably ingenious. Finally, the color palette is superb: indigo blue and midnight blue, madder red, brick red, ivory, tobacco brown, ochre, sage green, and small touches of turquoise. The colors are never garish; time has blended them together and given them that distinctive depth sought after in beautiful 19th-century tribal weavings. Front of the khorjin - Persia, western Iran, likely Kurdish work. Late 19th century. Wool on wool - knotted velvet and woven upper section. Plant-based dyes. Dimensions: 62 x 55 cm. Laurent Beauty of Kilims