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Chondzoresk Rug. Armenia. Caucasus. Dated 1902. 210 X 145 Cm



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Period : 20th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Wool

Length : 210 cm

Width : 145 cm

Description

This rug is a true masterpiece--the kind of piece a collector searches for for a long time without always being able to find. It follows the tradition of Armenian Karabakh rugs and belongs to the Chondzoresk type, also listed in specialized literature among the Kazak rugs with cloud-band motifs. These names reflect the various classifications within this family of rugs, though they do not allow for a definitive identification of a specific village of origin.A date inscription further enhances its significance: it has been interpreted as 1320 of the lunar Hijri calendar, corresponding to 1902-1903.At the heart of the medallions, the scroll-like forms evoke stylized clouds--cloud band, literally "band of clouds." Other interpretations see them as highly stylized dragons or snakes. This plurality of

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interpretations contributes to the power and mystery of this motif, which is immediately recognizable.The central field, a deep madder red, is enlivened by numerous abrash--those variations in tone that give the surface its depth and movement. About two-thirds of the way across the field, a much lighter area cuts through the red and seems to open up a new space. It acts almost like a threshold: the gaze shifts from an earthly realm to another, more ethereal, almost mystical one. This sense of elevation accompanies the two large medallions, one set above the other.The borders reinforce this composition: against the blue background of the main band, angular and serrated motifs alternate in a steady rhythm. Delicate ivory borders, punctuated by small geometric motifs, frame the entire design.The knotted weave technique lends this rug the precision of its design. As is often the case with antique Caucasian rugs, the pile is very short, almost flush. This short pile highlights the motifs and allows one to appreciate their sharp contours, rendered with great precision. Such mastery of execution, combined with such a striking composition, is true art.Chondzoresk-style rug -- Kazak with cloud band motifArmenia, CaucasusKnotted techniqueWool on woolPlant-based dyesDated 1902-1903Superb conditionDIM. 210 × 145 cmChoosing an antique rug or textile is often a matter of serendipity. If one of our pieces catches your eye, or if you'd like more information or photos, I'd be happy to discuss it with you.Laurent Consul Beauty of Kilims06 42 61 73 46