Rare Old Zerbiya Rug, 205 X 465 Cm, Wool On Wool, Berbers, Morocco, Late 19th Century,



21 800 EUR

Signature : Femmes Berbères

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Wool

Length : 465 cm - 183"

Width : 205 cm - 80"

Description

Rare old Zerbiya, Rabat, Morocco, 205 cm x 465 cm, late 19th century.Wool with knotted stitches and symmetrical knots.Museum piece !Rare central Champ carpet with double mihrab bordered by five borders with geometric patterns and flowers of oriental inspiration.# Rural art is essentially practiced by Berber craftsmen who are daily confronted with problems directly linked to nature with which they have an immediate and complex relationship.They express their close contact with nature through the creation of rugs that turn out to be beautiful, spontaneous masterpieces. Moreover, rural carpets represent an important repertoire of individual experiences and shared knowledge about the physical reality of nature.# Urban art is rather based on

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symmetrical geometries that give rise to shapes that repeat themselves ad infinitum.They generally take the form of medallions whose center evokes "Al Kaaba" (the tomb of the prophet).Lines on a rug, for example, suggest the ebb and flow of Muslims engaging in orderly, rhythmic processions invoking God.Floral motifs, leaves, plants remind Muslims of the promised life in paradise after death.These various decorative elements emerge from Islamic art and beautifully enliven the surface of Moroccan rugs.Eighteen colors make up this marvel. Slight wear, old restorations.# A Zerbiya rug, lot 84, from the Bergé-St Laurent collection sold for EUR9,920 on 10/31/2015 with a ban on leaving Moroccan territory, this type of rug is considered Moroccan heritage; same for lot 162# A Zerbiya rug from the 20th century measuring 205 x 320 cm, sold at Artcurial for EUR104,000 for an estimate of EUR50/60,000, sale on 30/12/2019Our model is a superb example of this group and this wonderful knotting work, its beauty, luminous and colorful will transcend your collection.The field is divided into three divisions.This carpet offers us an important decoration of arabesque leaves, geometric wavy arabesques. In the center a large decoration of niches in opposition, proves the use of this carpet in a space reserved for prayer, its state shows us that it was present in a place of passage, even if these colors remained very fresh.Its rare dimensions encourage us to locate this carpet in a mosque or another place of Muslim worship.This superb old rug from the end of the 19th century needed restoration to restore it to its former glory. # # The 11 and 12 photo shows two Zerbiya from our collection, for sale on proantic and measuring 142 cm x 290 cm long.and 240 cm x 690 cm# # The same kind and the same style, the same colors are found for two Zerbiya carpets at the Royal Almudaina Palace in Palma de Mallorca in the King's office, see photo N° 10.Dimensions : width: 205 cm (80") x 465 cm (183")For more information, you can contact

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