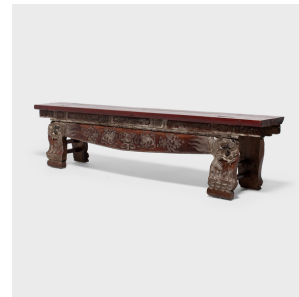
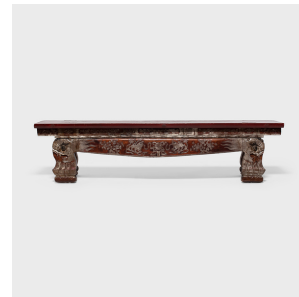

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LACQUERED DRAGON THEATER BENCH

\$3,680

c. 1850 • China • Pigment, Northern Elmwood, Lacquer • Collection #CEC009

W: 84.0" D: 14.0" H: 20.5"

Wide enough to seat three to four people, this ornate bench was likely made as shared seating for live performances, such as operas, plays, and ceremonies. Clearly intended for special occasions, the bench is decorated with symbolic carvings and finished with dark red lacquer and metallic pigments.

Each leg is carved with the expressive face of a dragon, powerful heavenly creatures that symbolize ambition, dignity and success. On the apron, two mythical fu lion guardians play with an embroidered ball wrapped in ribbons, a motif for joy and good fortune. Continued...



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The surrounding panels are carved with auspicious flowers, including chrysanthemums for longevity and peonies for love. Beautifully faded from a century of use, this grand bench is wonderful as an eye-catching coffee table or a comfortable seat in a hallway or entry.

Additional Dimensions:

Seat Depth: 13.

