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# PAGODA RED

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## STUDDED MING TRAVELING TRUNK

**\$7,800**

c. 1600 • Hebei, China • Northern Elmwood, Brass, Lacquer • Collection #BJH077

W: 35.0" D: 24.0" H: 25.5"

Studded with brass nails and textured by richly worn black lacquer, this spectacular trunk dates to the late Ming dynasty and would have been used by a wealthy family or merchant to transport money or precious goods. The subdued, neutral exterior belies the brilliant cinnabar red lacquer within, a finish that would have complemented the splendor of the valuable contents the chest once stored. The original brass hardware adds simple decoration, each cloaked in a dark patina from centuries of use. Continued...



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A truly beautiful example of Ming-dynasty design, this grand traveling trunk lives on as a storied coffee table or blanket chest.



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