
PAGODA RED



INKSTONE WITH BAT AND DOUBLE GOURDS

\$980

c. 1850 • Northern China, China • Stone • Collection #Y228

W: 4.0" D: 6.0" H: 1.0"

Generally the symbols carved into an inkstone held personal meaning for the scholar who used it. This stone is finely carved with two decorated double gourds, symbols of perpetuity and a bat in flight, the symbol of good luck. The water dipper is contoured to the shape of the bats wings and the ink well is defined by an incised frame.



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