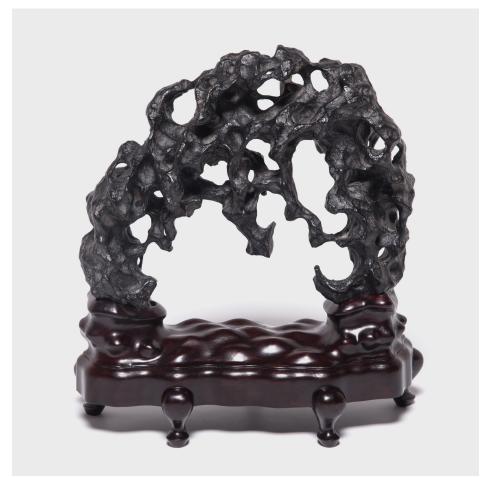
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"MOON GATE" LINGBI SCHOLAR'S STONE

\$7,800

c. 1850 • Anhui, China • Limestone, Wood • Collection #PRA002 W: 12.5" D: 6.0" H: 13.5"

This fantastically shaped Lingbi stone once held pride of place in a scholar's studio. It's evocative hollows, gnarls, and fluid appearance give it stature in the realm of select stones that inspired Chinese poets, painters and calligraphers for centuries. The arched, open form and organic texture connects it to a traditional moon gate, an ancient Chinese landscape element. A moon gate is a garden sculpture that rises up out of a landscape, symbolic of renewal and birth. A hand-carved rosewood base completes the circle and ripples in harmonious response to the stone's dynamic form.