PAGODA RED









RICE MEASURE WITH IRON FINISHES

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c. 1900 • Shandong, China • Pine, Iron • Collection #BJFF073 W: 15.0" D: 15.0" H: 10.5"

This wooden container was made over a hundred years ago to measure and hold a dou of rice, an ancient Chinese measurement. It is handcrafted with dovetail joints, iron-finished edges, and a hand-arched handle. Over the past century, its reinforcements became integral to its character, echoing the wabi sabi art of Japanese kitsugi. As a philosophy, kitsugi treats breakage and repair as part of the history of an object, rather than something to disguise. This rice measure has aged wonderfully with a smooth, soft finish developing from the touch of hands over time.