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SILVER DECO BUTTERFLY HAIRPIN

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c. 1930 • China • Silver • Collection #ZZZ041M

W: 1.75" D: 0.25" H: 6.0"

Although eyes were certainly drawn to the high, fan-shaped headdresses that Qing-dynasty women affixed to back of their heads, it was the finishing touch of a hairpin or two that completed the look. Attached to the front of a fine lady's coiffure, this silver hairpin ends with an intricate butterfly, a symbol of happiness and conjugal bliss. Created amid the Art Deco boom in major cities such as Shanghai, Tianjin, and Canton, this elegant pin would have been a trendy addition to traditional and modern hairstyles alike.



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