



## STONE WELL HEAD

**\$6,880**

c. 1900 • Shanxi, China • Limestone • Collection #TLB112

W: 25.0" D: 5.0" H: 25.0"

Hand-carved from a solid block of limestone, this early 20th century stone sculpture was originally used as a well surround in China's Shanxi province. Provincial water wells were found in courtyards and public squares and used as a source of clean drinking water. Stone well heads such as this were used to narrow the opening for safety and to help keep the water source clean.

Hand-worked with simple tools, the stone slab has a sculptural form, chiseled to a square shape with a round hole through the center. Continued...



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One of the four essential elements of a balanced garden, stone sculptures such as this anchor their surroundings with irregular texture and mottled coloring. The well head's timeless form elegantly frames views, creating a unique focal point wherever its placed. Set vertically or laid on its side, this architectural object is a singular outdoor statement, a piece of history to frame and elevate your garden.



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