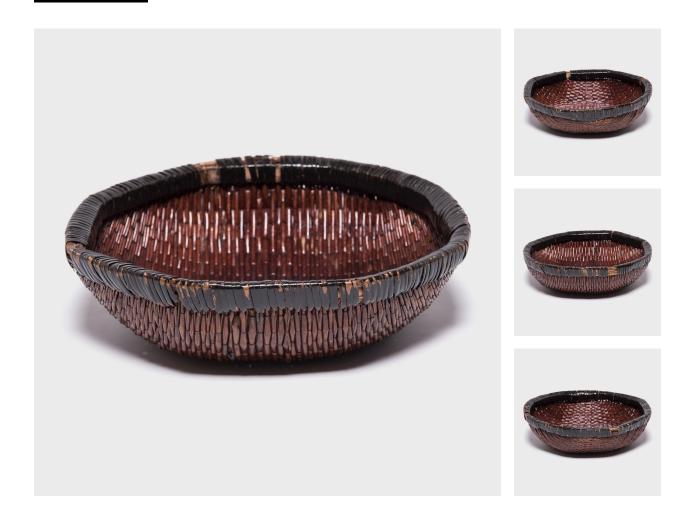
## PAGODA RED



## **WOVEN TRAY BASKET**

## \$188

c. 1900 • Shanxi, China • Willow • Collection #BJFF071S H: 4.5" Dia: 16.25"

Tightly woven of natural reeds, this neat basket likely contained offerings of food, money and fruits presented as part of ritual ancestor worship on a family altar. The basket is colored by a red-brown lacquer and contrasting black lacquer trim. A simple painting of a bird on a branch is painted on the interior. Over the course of the past century, the earthen red has developed fantastic character that only comes with authentic, time-honored use. Today it elevates fruit in the kitchen or provides a storied home for sundry objects.