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CHINESE ANTIQUE FURNITURE

SOLD - Tall Elaborately Carved Panels

HEBEI PROVINCE, C19TH

DIMENSIONS: W:62 D:6 H:192 (cm)
REFERENCE: SC350

The visual aesthetic of these tall, impressive, hand-carved panels hung on a wall is stunning and an intriguing piece of decorative art, alive with movement and vitality.

They are the top part of a larger panelled screen used for partition in a home, their size and beauty hinting at the scale and magnificence of their original residence. The complexity of the finely executed, continuous carving on such a large scale is remarkable.

They feature superb angular scrolling with symbolic dragons beautifully blended into the design. Carved with great skill and subtlety, the imagery draws one into recognise abstract dragons almost hidden in the detail fretwork and magnificent small circular framed carvings.

The dragons above and below the central panel symbolize power, royalty and protection, while the carvings in the circular centre reveal deer, which represent longevity and wealth.