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Oriental Black And Gold Backgammon And Chess Board

£1,600

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Height: 9 cm (3.5")

Width: 56 cm (22")

Depth: 28 cm (11")

Description

Antique Chinese Export Black and Gold Lacquer Folding Games Board.
A mid-19th-century Chinese export Chinoiserie-decorated games board, featuring a chess and draughts board on the exterior and a backgammon board within, richly painted with flowers and scenes from Chinese life.
This beautifully crafted antique Chinese export lacquer folding games board is finished in striking black and gold with exceptional Chinoiserie decoration. This rare 19th-century piece is both functional and highly decorative, making it an impressive addition to any collection or interior.
The exterior forms a chess and draughts board, featuring 6 cm black and gold squares with an elegant gilt-decorated border. The board is richly embellished with traditional Chinese scenes set against a deep black lacquer ground. The sides are similarly decorated with gilt landscapes and figures, reflecting the fine craftsmanship associated with Canton export lacquerware.
Opening the board reveals a beautifully decorated backgammon playing surface, finished in vibrant colours and intricate gilt detailing. Produced for the export market during the mid-19th century, this style of folding games board combines practicality with the refined artistry of Chinese lacquer work.

Dimensions
Open: 56 cm × 56 cm, height: 4½ cm
Chess squares: 6 cm × 6 cm

Please note: The chess pieces shown are for display purposes only and are not included with the board.

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