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GILT LACQUERED AVIAN COFFER

\$9,580

c. 1850 • Shanxi, China • Northern Elmwood, Lacquer • Collection #Z143

W: 78.0" D: 23.5" H: 33.75"

Set in striking contrast to the black lacquer background, the gilt gold decoration on this 19th-century coffer elevates the piece to an exquisite work of art. Each of the four front panels are intricately painted with an auspicious bird surrounded by flowers of the four seasons. The hawk, a symbol of courage, broods beneath plum blossoms of winter. Beside it, a lively pheasant, a symbol of good fortune, preens beside the chrysanthemum blossoms of autumn. A long-necked crane, an emblem of longevity, wades amidst lotus flowers of summer, and a regal phoenix perches beneath the peonies of spring time, a powerful symbol of luck and resilience. Continued...



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Once placed as the centerpiece of a Qing-dynasty home and used for storage, this fine gilt coffer is fantastic today as a eye-catching sideboard or console table.

Additional Dimensions:

Drawers: 11"W x 16.75"D x 3.5"H

Top Shelf: 62.75"W x 20.5"D x 10.25"H

Bottom Shelf: 62.75"W x 20.5"D x 9.

