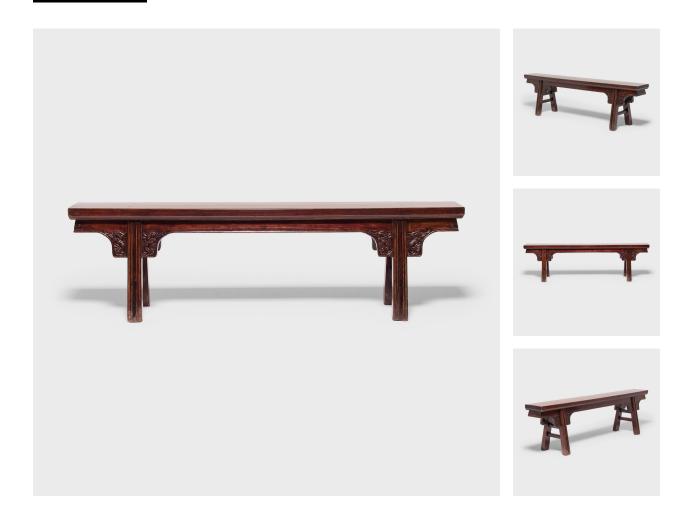
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## **EIGHT DRAGON BENCH**

## \$2,680

c. 1850 • Shanxi, China • Walnut • Collection #CAI029A W: 71.0" D: 15.25" H: 20.75"

Carved dragons swirl on the spandrels of this 19th-century bench, animating the surface and imbuing the piece with auspicious meaning. Sourced from China's Shanxi region, walnut was a prized material for Qing-dynasty furniture. Richly colored and displaying an open-grained texture, the wood was ideal for the refined workmanship of the era. What's more it offered a distinctive fragrance when freshly worked.