
PAGODA RED



HAND-CARVED TIGERMAN FOOTED ZHENZHU BASIN

\$980

Shandong, China • Stone • Collection #B5605

H: 8.5" Dia: 16.25"

A clean-lined interpretation of an ancient form, this footed basin was hand-carved by artisans in China's Shandong province. The mesmerizing pattern of zhenzhu is inherent to the stone, a conglomerate limestone extracted from Lake Tai in Jiangsu province. Speckled with almost painterly daubs of color, the sought-after stone was especially prized by scholars of the 16th through 18th centuries, earning a favored place at the calligraphy table among ink, brush, and inkstone. Continued...



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We suggest a place of prominence on a table or credenza for this exceptional vessel that's as fascinating to look at as it is tempting to touch.



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