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INTERLOCKING RING MING STONE TABLE

\$24,780

c. 1600 • Hubei, China • Limestone • Collection #DVD022 W: 22.0" D: 16.5" H: 15.0"

Created over 400 years ago, this low table from the late Ming/early Qing dynasty was carved by hand from a single block of limestone. The table has aprons carved with interlocking rings, symbols of eternity, and beaded "incense stick" legs, which imparts a rhythmic lightness to the stone's dense texture. The limestone has oxidized with age and gained a beautiful patina. In a classic Chinese garden, stone furniture such as this was treated more as an architectural element than simple pieces of furniture. This is a rare and excellent example of the traditional art form.