
PAGODA RED



SIX DOOR SIDEBOARD COFFER

\$8,000

c. 1900 • Shanxi, China • Northern Elmwood, Brass, Lacquer • Collection #BJDD058

W: 88.0" D: 19.0" H: 43.0"

A skilled artisan of China's Shanxi province built this storage coffer, respecting the refined lines of Ming-dynasty furniture design by using traditional mortise and tenon joinery techniques. Its beautifully-worn finish shows years of use by the family who very well may have received it as part of a woman's dowry. Narrow coffers such as this were often used as family altars - the drawers used for holding incense and the additional space beneath used for other household goods. Continued...



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The original hand-wrought brass hardware of this Qing-dynasty coffer complements its dark finish like the best understated jewelry.

