

**Sale Name:** 14th Annual Montana Spring Auction

**LOT 199 - Chinese Hand-Knotted Wool Rug with Floral Motifs**



**Description**

Chinese Hand-Knotted Wool Area Rug, c.1980s-1990s

Traditional decorative design with auspicious symbols

This fine Chinese hand-knotted wool rug features a vibrant oxblood red field adorned with carefully positioned floral motifs and vases. The centerpiece displays a traditional Chinese "shou" longevity symbol surrounded by a circular floral wreath, representing good fortune and longevity. Decorative floral corner pieces and scattered botanical elements create balanced visual interest across the deep red background.

Construction details include hand-knotted wool pile on a cotton foundation with a tight, consistent weaving technique typical of Chinese rug production. The cream-colored border showcases an intricate Greek key pattern interwoven with floral elements, demonstrating skilled craftsmanship. The fringe is hand-knotted and extends from the cotton warp threads, confirming the rug's traditional construction methods. Close examination of the pile reveals wool of good quality with a dense, uniform pile height.

This rug exemplifies the Chinese tradition of combining symbolic motifs with decorative elements. The balanced composition and careful placement of florals reflect traditional Chinese aesthetic principles, while the vibrant red ground color symbolizes prosperity and good fortune in Chinese culture.

Condition Notes: Overall good condition with some minor wear consistent with age and light use. The rich oxblood red field maintains strong color retention with minimal fading. Some flattening of pile in central areas. The fringe shows mild yellowing and some minor tangling. No significant stains, repairs, or structural damage noted. The rug displays normal signs of gentle use with all decorative elements intact. Refer to the pictures and in person inspection for condition.

Approximate Dimensions: 36 × 78 inches (to fringe)

**Quantity: 1**



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