



BENT HANDLE FISHERMAN'S BASKET

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c. 1850 • Hebei, China • Wood, Willow • Collection #BJFF101D

H: 23.0" Dia: 16.25"

Basket making is an ancient and humble craft, but in the hands of a skilled weaver a simple willow basket can become a truly beautiful work of art. This bent handle basket was made in China long ago, and the artisan's mastery is evident: the strong, flexible willow strips are skillfully intertwined into a delicate pattern. The wider bands of the handle add presence and strength to the intricate patterning represented in the weave.

This particular example is further decorated with a fabric trim and painted characters along the handles and sides, now faded from years of use. Continued...



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The large basket has worn beautifully with time, but remains in remarkable condition - a testament to its expert craftsmanship. We love it for firewood, toys, wastepaper or anything you want stored beautifully.



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