



LANTERN WITH GILT LOTUS FINIALS

\$3,480

c. 1900 • Northern China, China • Northern Elmwood, Glass • Collection #GDB025C W: 26.25" H: 33.0"

Embellished with carved and gilded lotus flowers, this ornate Chinese lantern would have originally been lit with candles to illuminate a very fine courtyard home in Northern China. Chinese lanterns have a history that goes back over 1,800 years to the Han Dynasty: during the Lantern Festival (which falls on the 15 day of the first lunar month) people hang lanterns to symbolize finding a fresh start. Each of the frosted glass panels framed in lacquered Elm are detachable and fit precisely in the lotus frame like a puzzle. The frame folds flat when the panels are removed. Continued...

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The lantern can be hardwired by a certified electrician and professionally installed.

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