

"WINGED GUARDIAN" LINGBI SCHOLAR'S ROCK

\$5,880

Anhui, China • Stone, Northern Elmwood • Collection #ZZZ101J W: 17.0" D: 6.0" H: 14.0"

Known as gongshi, or scholars' rocks, lingbi stones such as this were fixtures of the scholars' studio, displayed as sources of beauty and creative inspiration. Meditating on the stone's intriguing, suggestive form, the scholar found inspiration in the textured surface as a microcosm of the universe. Prized for their density and dark gray tones, lingbi stones form with intriguing negative spaces and have a naturally polished look that accentuates the stone's expressive veining. Raised on a carved wooden base, this lingbi stone becomes a fantastic natural sculpture.