



PAIR OF COURTYARD FU DOGS

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c. 1800 • Northern China, China • Limestone • Collection #U070

W: 11.5" D: 18.5" H: 32.0"

This pair of intricately carved and expressive limestone fu dogs (shizi) would have protected the entry of a grand courtyard home in 19th-century China. The mythical pair represents yin and yang, the balance of male and female energies. Carved with expressive facial features and elaborate manes, each fu dog sits with its foot resting on its characteristic accessory - the female shizi with a baby fu dog, representing the cycle of life, and the male shizi with an embroidered ball, representing dominion over the universe. Seated on limestone blocks carved with additional mythical creatures, this lively duo are the ultimate protectors of the home. Continued...



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