## PAGODA RED









### PAIR OF TALL BACK CHAIRS WITH AUSPICIOUS DEER MEDALLIONS

#### \$2,980

c. 1850 • Shanxi, China • Northern Elmwood • Collection #CBE004 W: 22.75" D: 19.5" H: 47.0"

These distinctive 19th-century tall back chairs were constructed with "coat-hanger" crest rails that reflect traditional Chinese furniture designs perfected over many centuries. The dramatic upward turn of the top rail and protruding armrests indicate that these chairs were likely commissioned by a high ranking official. The back splats are decorated with carved medallions of bats and a lone stag, both symbols of longevity. In the context of an official's armchair, this deer motif can also be interpreted as a wish for a promotion to a raised offficial rank.

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Additional Dimensions:

Seat Height: 21"