

Anglo Indian porcupine quill basket

£345



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Height: 11 cm (4.3")

Width: 28 cm (11")

Depth: 20 cm (7.9")

Description

A large 19th century Anglo Indian porcupine quill, ebony and bone inlay wool basket with baleen handle, circa 1880.

Anglo-Indian porcupine quill work is a traditional craft that blends Indian artistry with British colonial influences. Originating during the British Raj, artisans skilfully incorporated porcupine quills into furniture, boxes, and decorative items. The quills, often dyed and arranged in intricate geometric patterns, were set into wooden or ivory structures.

This craft reflected a fusion of Indian material culture and British design preferences, resulting in unique, elegant pieces highly valued by collectors and connoisseurs of colonial art.