

RUGS DESCRIPTION

Rug Number	CU-1189
Title	Antique Persian Afshar Rug
Size	5ft 03in X 7ft 04in 1m 60cm X 2m 23cm



Description:

The antique tribal rugs of the Afshar tribe are woven primarily in southwest Persia and come in a bewildering variety of designs, some indigenous, some adapted from other tribes or urban sources. Normally they are in scatter sizes, 3-4 feet by 5-7 feet, with a few room size carpets. Afshar rugs may be symmetrically or asymmetrically knotted, on cotton or wool foundations. Similarly, the attractive color schemes range from light to dark, ivory to navy. The informal, but charming, patterns may be medallions, arabesques, allover textile designs or abstract geometric motives. A few Afshars are located in Azerbaijan province, northwest Persia. The Afshars originated in Central Asia and came to Persia in the 18th century with the conqueror Nader Shah.
