

RUGS DESCRIPTION

Rug Number	CU-1588
Title	Antique Chinese Art Deco Rug
Size	9ft 00in X 11ft 06in 2m 74cm X 3m 50cm



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As the term implies, true Chinese Art Deco carpets were woven in a short time window, between 1923 and 1931, and in two places: the Chinese capital of Peking (Beijing) and the northeastern city of Tientsin (Tianjin). They were woven in large integrated factories as well as smaller workshops. These carpets were created by American firms for export to the United States. Nichols, Elbrook and Tavshanjian in Tientsin, and Fette in Peking were by far the most active. The Tientsin pieces, almost all in carpet sizes, show thick piles of glossy millspun wool, patterns ranging from Chinese-influenced with vases, leafy branches, seasonal flowers and butterflies, and dragons to wholly abstract, borderless creations with moss and bottle green, scarlet, fuchsia, beige, old gold and various shades of blue, all in unfading, crisp chrome dyes. Many are found still in top condition. The weaves are always moderate to medium, and very regular. There is no uniformity of pattern and most of the surviving carpets are unique. Colors: burgundy/lavender/purple/blue/green
