

Japanese wedding basket

Sold



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Height: 12 cm (4.7")

Diameter: 34 cm (13.4")

Description

A 19th century Japanese wedding basket with geometrical design. Circa 1890.

Japanese wedding basket design, known for their elegance and symbolism, reflects deep cultural traditions. These baskets, often called hakoseko or meimeibako, are beautifully crafted from lacquered wood or woven bamboo and adorned with motifs like cranes, turtles, and cherry blossoms-symbols of longevity, harmony, and happiness.

Gold and red, the auspicious colours of celebration, are commonly used to convey joy and prosperity. Inside, items representing blessings for the couple's new life-such as rice, fans, and silk-are carefully arranged.

The intricate craftsmanship and aesthetic balance embody the Japanese appreciation for beauty, respect, and the harmony of nature and human life.