



<u>item no.</u>	BO52
<u>tribe.</u>	Beni Ouarain
<u>region.</u>	Middle Atlas Mountains, Morocco
<u>circa.</u>	1920
<u>dimensions.</u>	9' x 6'1" / 2.74m x 1.85m
<u>pile height.</u>	Low
<u>fringe length.</u>	4"
<u>condition.</u>	Very Good

**This antique Beni Ouarain carpet has an intricate ornate graphic pattern knotted in ivory and black wool. Its lozenge pattern is filled with a chain of joined triangles, a symbol of mating. Contained within this network is a variation on the quincunx (cross with motifs in center and on the diagonals of a lozenge), symbolizing the unborn child in a mother's womb. Male side protection borders frame the composition. Signs of wear in areas with some missing fringe, displaying age and adding to the carpet's character and patina. 100% wool.**