



<u>item no.</u>	AY01
<u>tribe.</u>	Ait Youssi
<u>region.</u>	Middle Atlas Mountains, Morocco
<u>circa.</u>	1960
<u>dimensions.</u>	8'6" x 6'3" / 2.59m x 1.91m
<u>pile height.</u>	Medium
<u>fringe length.</u>	3"
<u>condition.</u>	Very Good

Living in the more isolated region of the eastern Middle Atlas range, this tribe's woven stories tend to be quite colorful in nature. This vintage Moroccan Ait Youssi carpet is no exception. The multicolored lozenge pattern of light turquoise/celadon, ivory, and orange feels as if it has been embossed into the slightly higher pile of time faded red, salmon and red/orange ground. The pattern links together like a chain, symbolizing protection, and takes on an organic spirit representing the life events of the weaver. Note an older restoration on one edge, which does not detract from the overall condition or character. 100% wool, with a very nice patina and hand.