



<u>item no.</u>	BO56
<u>tribe.</u>	Beni Ouarain
<u>region.</u>	Middle Atlas Mountains, Morocco
<u>circa.</u>	1960
<u>dimensions.</u>	11'8" x 6' / 3.56m x 1.83m
<u>pile height.</u>	Medium
<u>fringe length.</u>	1"
<u>condition.</u>	Excellent

An excellent example of a vintage Moroccan Beni Ouarain carpet, bearing an unusual motif. The 'hamsa' (camel track), are combined in a linear fashion to create chains, forming lozenges. The duality and harmony between the male and female relationship is beautifully executed in this piece. The hamsa is unusual in the weavings of this Middle Atlas tribe, but rather common in the neighboring plains regions around Marrakech, perhaps suggesting this weaver traveled at some point in their life. The lustrous wool shifts from deep charcoal to a faded foggy grey on an ivory ground. 100% wool.