

Burmese chair

Southeast Asian Collection

Accession Nr.: **58.275.1** 

Type: **furniture; carving; textile arts**

Date of production: **19th century**

Place of production: **Burma (Myanmar), Southeast Asia**

Materials/Technique
s: **wood, silk, carved, openwork**

Dimensions: **height: 92 cm**

Western-style Burmese armchair with openwork decoration. This ornate piece of furniture, with its red silk upholstery (presumably retrofitted with a padded back for the European owner), was not only a basic function, but also an elegant decoration for a luxurious home. The stylized leafy border of the backrest is decorated with fruit, flowers and small birds, while the legs are made up of a vertical row of bird figures perched on a lion's head. The latter almost carry the armchair rest on their backs.

