

Basic Detail Report



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Medium

Fan painting: ink and colors on paper

Description

In the center of this horizontal composition on a folding fan format is a colorful male pheasant with a long tail. Its wide-open eyes are surrounded by bright red feathers on a green head, with a silver-white ringneck. Its entire body is speckled and barred, tinged with pink, orange, green and grey colors. The female stands behind the male with her back toward us and is inconspicuously colored by contrast. The section of the prunus tree represented here is robust, gnarled, and with branches in bloom. A bright, full moon hangs low on the right, partially hidden by wispy clouds and a flowering branch. The background is a light ink wash of grey, silver and white. It is perhaps snow.

Dimensions

Image: 9 3/4 x 21 1/4 inches (24.8 x 54 cm)

Pair of pheasants on a prunus branch in moonlight

Date

20th century

Primary Maker