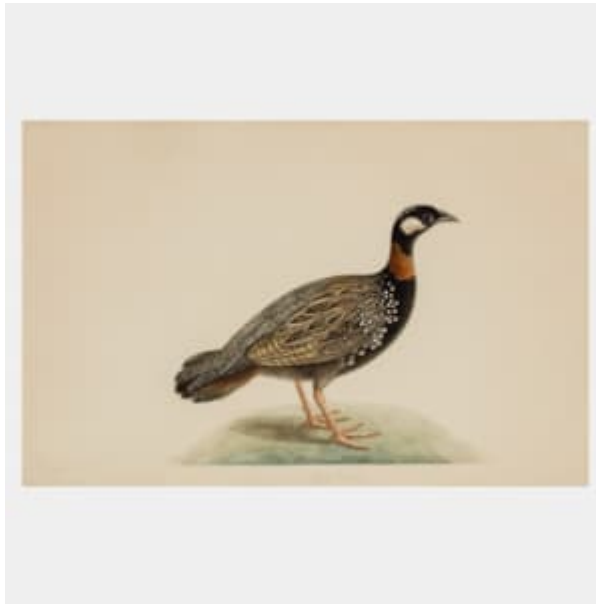


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## **Company School watercolour of a Black Francolin**

India, First half of the 19th century

Watercolour on European paper

32cm high, 49cm wide

Black Francolin (*Francolinus francolinus*)

A scrub and grassland pheasant, with a range across Turkey, Iran, northeast India, and Bangladesh. This bird was painted by Ram Das in Calcutta, c. 1777, for the Impey album, and for the Wellesley album c. 1798-1805 (see British Library NHD 29/78).