



**Antique Rosewater Sprinkler, Bronze, Mughal India – Early 18th Century
£2,200.00**

This is a rosewater sprinkler of cast bronze from Mughal India. It rises from a spread hexagonal foot to a body of palmette form. The ridges are broad and flat with very decisive edges. The tubular neck leads to the sprinkler's domed head. Atop the domed head is a small, beaded finial. Surrounding the head is a round, flat disk shape with serrated edges. The neck unscrews perfectly from the body of the sprinkler.

Mughal bronze and other works of art were produced during a period of cultural, literary and artistic exploration which lasted from the 16th century until the 18th century. The rise and fall of the Mughal Empire changed the political landscape in India and inspired some of the finest antique metalwork. Only a very small portion of Indian bronze made during this period and before the 19th century has survived. This can be explained by the fact that labour was cheap in India and consequently it was the custom that when fashions changed or an object was damaged, an item would be melted down and reformed into something new.

Origin	Asian
Period	18th Century
Style	Other
Condition	Excellent
Dimensions	Weight: 560 grams
Diameter	Height: 32.5 cm, Width: 11 cm

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