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Egret or Heron-Shaped Silver Rosewater Sprinkler

Kutch, India, c. 1890

31.5cm high

Stock no.: A4490

The silver rosewater sprinkler in the form of an egret or heron is carved elegantly with detailed and textured feathers. The bird stands upright with a large fish in its mouth; above the fish's mouth is a floral device which acts as the top of the rosewater sprinkler. The bird stands on two tall legs; the clawed feet standing on top of a fish which rests on a circular platform. See a nearly identical example (Cormorant Rose-water Sprinkler) published in Vidya Dehejia and others, *Delight in Design: Indian Silver for the Raj*, Mapin Publishing, 2008, p. 148, fig. 57.