



Ottoman Flintlock Pistol

Ottoman Provinces, 19th century

51.2cm long

Stock no.: A3400

This L-shaped flintlock *kubur* pistol is decorated with finely chiselled silver gilt to form floral and foliage motifs across the weapon. The gold inscriptions on the top of the pistol reads *Amal-i Abd sahib Ahmed Ağa*, which clarifies that this weapon was made by a craftsman by the name of Abd for Ahmed Agha, who was most likely an important person within the military ranks. The craftsman has cleverly used his floral designs to form the face of a man around the ball-butt whilst the outer edges appear to form the style of a turban.