



## East Persian XIXc Aftafa Ever



1 250 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bel état

Width : 25 cm - 10"

Height : 33 cm - 13"

Depth : poids : 1019 grs

### Description

Aftafa ewer, in tinned copper, decorated on all sides, with interlacing, friezes, and the rare presence of the believer killing the infidel engraved on both sides in medallions (photos). The particularity of the killed is that he wears ears like a dog, probably leading to the idea of the phrase "infidel dog." Our model comes from the North-West of Persia, Eastern Iran, Azerbaijan. A handle cast in Esse, beautiful engravings, and a patina due to time underline the object. Note the numerous floral facets constituting the collar. The presence of old polychromy and many characters, animals including lions, dogs, horses, man in the action of prayer .... Very beautiful cross water outlet. The object is of particular interest in its decoration. The decorations present are similar to

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what can be found on Persian rugs, but also on  
rugs from the Caucasus, a nearby region. This  
Aftafa ewer or jug was and is mainly used for  
ablutions, washing the face and hands, during  
religious ceremonies."The feast of the initiates,  
standing ready to serve, the beauties from all  
sides hold the ewer in their hands; the faithfuls of  
love wash their hands with all their soul; while  
the beauties pour the water, the ewer by hand"  
Reading and Translation, AS Melikian-Chirvani,  
1973 p 119. from the 19th century and in good  
condition. The ewers are emblematic and are  
among the most beautiful objects of ancient  
oriental art, they are all different because they  
were mostly special orders. Dimensions: Height:  
33 cm - Width: 25 cm - weight: 1019 grs We have  
other old ewers from different sources on  
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