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A Commemorative Silver Tea Set By Mohammed Taqi For Mohammad Reza Pahlavi's

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Height: 1.5 cm (0.6")

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Width: 47 cm (18.5")

Depth: 34 cm (13.4")

Description

Exquisite Royal Silver tea set consists of a rectangular shape tray, large teapot, coffeepot, sugar bowel and small teapot, intricately engraved with symmetrical scrolling motifs in the Safavid revival style, set with the gilt imperial emblem, the bases stamped in Nasta'liq Persian '84 Mohammad Taqi Zufan.

Dimensions: Tray: H: 1.5cm, W: 47cm, D: 34cm
Coffeepot: H: 23cm, W: 19cm, D: 12cm
Large teapot: H: 18cm, W: 18.5cm, D: 12cm
Sugar Bowel: H: 15cm, W: 18cm, D:12cm
Small Teapot: H: 15.5cm, W: 13.5cm, D:9.5cm

Mohammad Taqi of Isfahan (1894-1979) was the most prominent Iranian silversmith of the 20th century. A rare recipient of an imperial medal for his artistry, his highly organised workshop trained generations of silversmiths and undertook the most prestigious commissions of the period, the best-known perhaps the gold and silver shrine of the eighth Imam of the Shias, Imam Reza, in Mashad. Zufan's iconic molamma' 'milk and sugar' technique using both gold and silver was admired by millions of worshippers and pilgrims when it replaced the shrine previoulsy erected by Fath Ali Shah in 1959, then moved to the shrine's museum to protect it from further wear and tear in 2001.

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