A Splendid Treasure Hunt!

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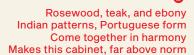
Join us on this treasure trail, T'will bring you far and near. Hunt our halls as we unveil, Artworks precious and dear!



"Long life and wealth", says this porcelain bowl Copper and emeralds sparkle and scroll Made in China, for export Bejewelled in Istanbul at the Ottoman court



 A husband's gift for his new bride Mother-of-pearl takes place with pride A pair of pulleys for a weaver's loom Brighten up a princess's room





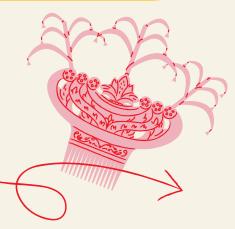
4 Flowers in a golden crown A fringe of golden chains The bride parades the town Minangkabau tradition reigns



Mangoes and flowers scatter and spread On a sumptuous garment to delight Handspun wool and gilded thread This Kashmiri choga warm and bright



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Bowl mounted with gems

China, late 16th century Porcelain, emeralds and gilded copper 1999-01405

This bowl was made in China and imported by the Ottoman Palace in Istanbul, where Chinese porcelain was admired and treasured. The gilded copper flowers and emeralds were added in Istanbul to enhance the beauty of the piece.

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Cabinet

South Asia, Gujarat or Sindh, 17th century Sissoo wood, ebony, ivory, brass, gilded copper 2015-00516

This "chapel cabinet" (so-called because of the shape) was manufactured in India for the Portuguese market. The cabinet is made of many expensive materials and uses Indian Mughal inspired motifs and patterns.

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Pair of loom pulleys

Cambodia, late 19th or early 20th century Wood, mother-of-pearl, lacquer 2010-00467

Carved weaving loom pulleys were traditional gifts from husbands for their new brides. This richly ornamented pair would have most likely been made for a royal or wealthy client.

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Headdress

Western Sumatra, Solok, late 19th or early 20th century

Gold-silver alloy, copper, cotton, coconut oil,

Gift of Mr Edmond Chin, 2002-00700 Jewellery was an important marker of wealth and status, and worn for special occasions in Sumatra. This fabulous headdress would have been worn by a Minangkabau bride in the village of Solok in Sumatra.

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Choga

India, Kashmir, around 1855–75 Wool, silver- and gilded silver- wrapped thread 2020-00025

This richly woven and embroidered garment would have been worn as a jacket over thinner garments, in Kashmir and other parts of northern India. Kashmiri woollen textiles with metal embroidery were the height of fashion in the region

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