

Finch & C^o



A FINE TURKISH OTTOMAN SHERBET SPOON

A FINE TURKISH OTTOMAN SHERBET SPOON

CARVED FROM WALRUS IVORY WITH A GILT METAL MOUNTED RED CORAL SPRIG FINIAL

EARLY 19TH CENTURY

SIZE: 19.5 CM LONG – 7¾ INS LONG

LITERATURE

THE WOMEN OF THE HAREM IN THE TOPKAPI PALACE OF ISTANBUL WOULD USE THESE ELABORATE SPOONS FOR EATING SHERBET OR COMPOTES OF DRIED FRUIT KNOWN AS 'HOSAF'.