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## LOT 1100

A Thai silver gilt and niello tea or water pot and cover, mid-19th century, of cylindrical form with split hinged loop handle and lotus knob to cover, the scroll spout with gilt stopper and suspension chain, the exterior finely worked with dense rosemallow flower decoration (lai dok phuttan), raised on four reeded tapering feet, weight 493.8g, height 20cm (repair to edge of base panel). Note: 19th century Thai niello ware is highly regarded and has a Thai royal association, with pieces in the Royal Collections and given as state gifts by Thai royalty. A similar example was gifted to the United States of America in 1856 from Siam's King Mongkut, Rama IV, now held in the Smithsonian as part of a large selection of niello ware produced by Siamese goldsmiths and silversmiths. This piece is illustrated in 'Thai Silver and Nielloware' by Paul Bromberg, Page 70.

Estimate: £2,000 - £3,000

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## Condition Report

1100. Nice quality water pot with attractive decoration. Typical surface scratches and wear.

Two-section hinged handle in good order and working well.

Stopper to spout is present and fits well.

Cover with minor misshaping and small nick to rim. Finial in good order.

Body in generally good order but spout has been pushed back into the body slightly, otherwise spout in good shape.

The main condition issue is the base panel which is slightly misshapen and has glue residue repair all the way around the edge to secure it. This repair has not been particularly well executed, so a tidier repair would improve it greatly. All four fluted feet are present but uneven, due to the misshaping of the base panel.

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