



## Kulah Khud

### Date

1600s, with later modifications

### Primary Maker

Northern Indian

### Medium

iron, brass, silver and gold

### Description

Iron. Hemispherical, slightly conical, bowl with conical cap for finial having bracket-cut edge; finial is missing. Cap is decorated with diapered pattern of lozenges in gold koft-gari. The cap appears to match the bowl, but looks to have been re-riveted at some point. Bowl chiselled in arches, the long downward arches with cypress trees in silver koft-gari. Voids are gilt. 3 long conical plume holders terminating in flattened notched arrow-shapes riveted to bowl; traces of gilt. Staple for missing nasal attached with 2 rivets (1 now lost) & retains screw (modern ?) for adjusting nasal. Iron aventail of very fine riveted rings with dagged edge, 35 cm long. The aventail is finely tailored, with long and short dags alternating around the lower edge, and a widened opening at the upper part of the face. Various types of links attach the aventail to the bowl, some of them of brass. The forward fringe shades the eyes. Some of the links in the fringe above the face are of brass, apparently an original decorative feature.

### Dimensions

14.5 x 19.5 cm (5 11/16 x 7 11/16 in.), 2 lb, 12 oz (weight)