

# Teacup and saucer - With birds and butterflies

Ceramics and Glass Collection

**Accession Nr.:** 4549.a-b 

**Artist/Maker:** Leroy, Désiré (1840 - 1908) / pattern design and painter

**Inscription:** talpán masszába nyomva: MINTONS; arannyal bélyegzett gyári jelzés, három visszahajló tollat összefogó szalag, PARIS EXHIBITION 1878 - MINTONS felirattal

**Materials:** frit porcelain

**Techniques:** cast; gilded; so-called pâte-sur-pâte technique; thrown with a model

**Dimensions:** height: 5,4 cm  
base diameter: 4,3 cm  
diameter: 13,7 cm  
height: 2,6 cm

The cup is hemispherical the rim of the saucer rises high in a curve. Both are decorated with delicate motifs, spatially arranged. The surface of the saucer shows a rosette covered with gold leaves, surrounded by rickrack motifs, which is repeated on the inner rim of the cup. The pictures are taken from Nature and painted with pâte-sur-pâte technique. The modest wild flowers, the small bush, the flying and resting birds and butterflies give a delicate, slightly sentimental atmosphere to this light, elaborate and elegant piece.

## Literature

- a kiállítást rendezte: Batári Ferenc, Vadászi Erzsébet: *Historizmus és eklektika. Az európai iparművészet stíluskorszakai*. Iparművészeti Múzeum, Budapest, 1992. - Nr. 172. (Csenkey Éva)



