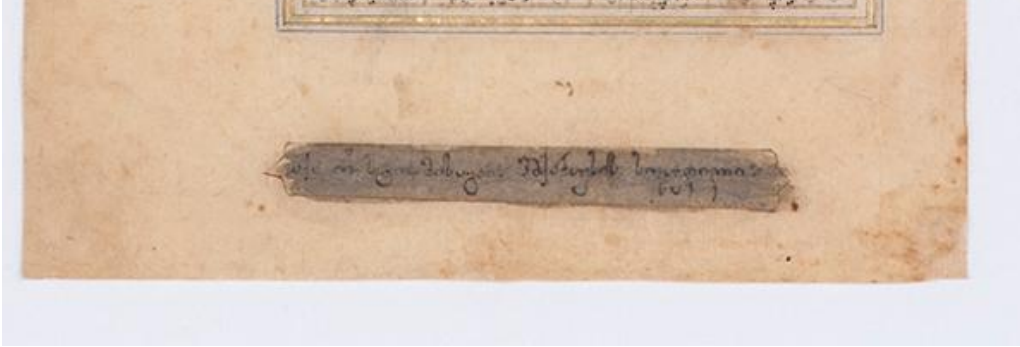


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“Rustam shoots Isfandiyar through the eye with an arrow”

1520

Iran (Shiraz)

Safavid

Gouache painting, gold, and ink on paper

Leaf: 12 x 7 in. (30.5 x 17.8 cm) Miniature: 8 5/16 x 4 1/2 in.

Here two of the greatest heroes of the Shahnameh meet on the battlefield. Rustam knows that Isfandiyar, the Kayanian crown prince, is invincible except for his eyes, which can only be pierced by a special arrow made from the feather of a simurgh (a magical, benevolent female bird).