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## "Rustam Battling Shaghad"

1520

Iran (Shiraz)

Safavid

Gouache painting, gold, and ink on paper

Leaf: 11 1/2 x 7 1/4 in. (29.2 x 18.4 cm) Miniature: 8 1/2 x 4 5/8 in.

This is the death of Rustam, lured into a pit lined with poisoned spears by his jealous half-brother Shaghad. As he and his faithful steed Rakhsh are dying, Rustam's last act is of vengeance and justice: he lets fly an arrow to cut down his murderer.