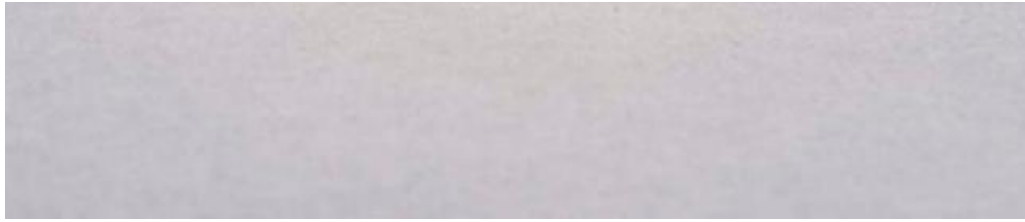


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Gem-Set Enameled Gold Peacock Figurine

19th century

India

British India/Princely States

Enameled gold, gemstones

Overall: 2 5/8 x 2 1/16 x 2 7/8 in. (6.7 x 5.2 x 7.3cm)

This, elegant gem-set gold bird - enamelled in colorful, primary shades and edged with diamonds - stands proudly with feathered tail on full display. Small figurines featuring whimsical animal scenes -such as charging rams, or trumpeting elephants - were popular themes for such gem-inset minatures in the 19th century in India. Some of them have functions - acting as chess pieces or tiny boxes, for example - but the peacock here seem to have been made simply to be admired.