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## **An Exceptional Dutch Silver Mounted Coconut Cup**

Amsterdam, 1607

Maker's Mark of Frederiks Andries

The circular base resting on four turtles, with dolphins and shells. The stem shaped as a siren on a dolphin holding shells, the coconut shell body shaped as a fish, the spout cast as a monkey's head, the finial shaped as Neptune.

Height: 34,5 cm; 13 1/2 in

Frederiks Andries (1566 - 1627)

Andries was the son of Frederik Jans and Heyltje Simons and was born in 1566. He is first mentioned as a goldsmith in 1596 and was based in Warmoesstraat. He married Maria van Leyenbergen in 1598 and died in 1627.

He was a registered silversmith and coat of arms maker and in 1579 became an apprentice to the

goldsmith Hans Muncx in Antwerp. His hallmark appears on a polished belt hook belonging to the city of Weesp. His uncle Simon Simons and his brother Wouter, both goldsmiths, were witnesses at his marriage. He is a half-brother of Loeff Frederiks, father of Simon Valckenaer, and uncle of Simon Wouters, who are all recorded as Amsterdam silversmiths. He inherited his father's house, De Gouden Ketting, in Warmoesstraat and was warden of the goldsmiths' guild thirteen times between 1599 and 1625. The attribution of his hallmark is based on its similarity with that of his son.