

## What dissolves:

**40x30x40 cm Glass tank, Coral rock, kohl applicator, sand, shells.**

Represented here by a traditional (kohl) gold applicator used by both men & women in the Gulf region. Kohl is a traditional powder-like mixture and was used as an eyeliner for both beauty and medicinal purposes, serving as a remedy for certain eye conditions. Arabic kohl has a historical presence in the Arabian Peninsula dating back to the pre-Islamic era. Gulf women, known for their resilience, prominently embrace Arabic kohl. As consumerism and capitalist culture grew, it gradually (dissolved) and was replaced by well-known international brands of eyeliners, where the gold container nowadays is rarely in use, displayed in museums or found in great-grandmothers' treasures throughout Gulf households.

