# VESSEL GALLERY

# LONDON



Mårten Medbo (Sweden 1964 - )

## Spinal II

Circa: 2018
2018
Sweden
Glass
35 x 16 x 16 cm (13³/l x 6¹/l inches)

'Spinal II' is a unique sculpture by the Swedish artist, Mårten Medbo.

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### Literature:

Limited edition of 49 for Kosta Boda

#### **Artist description:**

Medbo is an award winning multi disciplinary artist that does not like to be pigeonholed, not wishing to be defined by a particular material, method or aesthetic. Working and exhibiting internationally he uses both glass and ceramics as his medium across a spectrum of forms: bowls, vases, sculptural pieces and large-scale public commissions.

Among his work, there are numerous examples of pieces having a resemblance to anthropomorphic or biomorphic structures, without being completely identifiable as such. Medbo's vessels and sculptures sometimes resemble items suddenly frozen in the process of organic growth or expansion. He is drawn

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