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Syracuse, Sicily



Silver tetradrachm, 24 mm, 16.64 gm.
Obv. SURAKUSION,
charioteer driving quadriga right; above, Nike flying right, crowning horses.
Rev. Diademed head of Arethousa right; four dolphins around.

Ca. 478-475 B.C.
24 mm, 16.64 gm.

Syracuse was founded in 734 BC. For a time it was the most powerful Greek city anywhere, often clashing with Carthage for control of Sicily. Syracuse sided with Sparta in the Peloponnesian War, defeating the Athenian invasion.

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