

SA1064867

Antique Pair Old Sheffield Oval Lidded Sauce Tureens C1820 19th Century

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1064867****Date of manufacture: 1800**

Dimensions

Height = 14 cm (5.5")

Width = 22 cm (8.7")

Depth = 14 cm (5.5")

Description

This is an exquisite antique pair of English Old Sheffield Plate, silver plated sauce tureens and sauce ladles, Circa 1820 in date. The tureens feature a lobed oval shape, the lids are decorated with entwined leaf handles, the bodies with twin acorn leaf handles, each engraved with a crest together with a pair of Elkington & Co silver-plated sauce ladles. Condition: In excellent condition, please see photos for confirmation. Dimensions in cm: Height 14 cm x Width 22 cm x Depth 14 cm Dimensions in inches: Height 5 inches x Width 9 inches x Depth 5 inches Old Sheffield Plate - or 'fused plate' as it is sometimes known, was the first commercially viable method of plating metal. The material was accidentally invented by Thomas Boulsover, of Sheffield's Cutlers Company, in 1743. While trying to repair the handle of a customer's decorative knife, he heated it too much and the silver started to melt. When he examined the damaged handle, he noticed that the silver and copper had fused together very strongly. Experiments showed that the two metals behaved as one when he tried to reshape them, even though he could clearly see two different layers. Boulsover set up in...

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