

SA1072156

George III silver sifter spoon
with incuse duty mark London
1785 Richard Crossley

Price

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Item Reference: SA1072156

Date of manufacture: Georgian

Description

Antique George III silver sifter spoon by Richard Crossley, bearing the sought after incuse duty mark A fine example of Georgian silver in the form of a pretty sifter spoon. The bowl of the spoon is perfectly round and shallow with a lovely pierced design of crosses encircled by leaf fronds. The handle is perfectly plain with a pleasing curve. A super spoon for collectors of Georgian silver. Hallmarks: very clear and crisp hallmarks are visible on the back for the London Assay Office with a date mark for 1785, Lion Passant indicating the finest sterling silver and the maker's mark for the silversmith: Richard Crossley. In addition it has a clearly punched incuse mark. The incuse form of the duty mark with King George III's head in profile was the first attempt by Goldsmiths Hall to show that tax had been paid by the maker on a particular piece of silver. It was introduced in 1784 and only used until 1786 when a different intaglio mark came into use. Condition: In great condition. Measurements: Length: 15.5 cm Width at bowl: 5 cm Weight: 45 grams Weights and measurements are approximate.
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