

SA1081992

Finely Carved Ceremonial Lion Peg Tankard, Circa 1750 Norwegian

Price

GBP 2,200

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Item Reference: SA1081992**Date of manufacture: 1750**

Dimensions

Height = 26 cm (10.2")

Width = 19 cm (7.5")

Depth = 27 cm (10.6")

Description

This finely carved ceremonial lion peg tankard is a remarkable artifact from circa 1750, showcasing the exceptional craftsmanship of the period. The tankard's lid is adorned with an intricate lion and swag carved decoration, which is both ornate and symbolic, representing nobility and celebration. Crowning the lid is a masterfully carved lion finial, serving as a majestic and protective figure. The body of the tankard is turned and carved from richly patinated burr birchwood, known for its unique and swirling grain patterns that add depth and character to the piece. The wood's rich patina indicates its age and the care it has received over the centuries, giving it a warm, inviting glow. Supporting this historic vessel are four recumbent lion feet, each one meticulously carved to depict the power and grace of the lion. These feet not only provide stability to the tankard but also elevate its grandeur, making it a true statement piece. Overall, this ceremonial tankard is not just a utilitarian object but a work of art, reflecting the social customs and artistic sensibilities of the 18th century. It would have been a treasured possession, likely used in important ceremoni...

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