

SA1126534

Antique George III Old Sheffield Silver on Copper Basket Circa 1810

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1126534****Date of manufacture: 1800**

Dimensions

Height = 11 cm (4.3")

Width = 32 cm (12.6")

Depth = 21 cm (8.3")

Description

This is a fabulous antique Neo-classical George III Old Sheffield plate silver on copper bread basket / fruit dish, circa 1810 in date. The rectangular swing handled basket features an engraved body in the Neo-Classical taste with foliate decoration. It features the family crest with the motto *Semper Paratus*, a Latin phrase, meaning "Always Ready". This item is of the highest quality with fabulous decorations ready to grace your dining table. Condition: In excellent condition, please see photos for confirmation. Dimensions in cm: Height 11 cm x Width 32 cm x Depth 21 cm Dimensions in inches: Height 4 inches x Width 1 foot, 1 inch x Depth 8 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 Cutlery 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...

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