

SA1139666

Fine 18th Century French Pierced 0.950 Silver Fish Slice Server Paris

Price

GBP 485

| USD \$655 | EUR 568

Item Reference: SA1139666**Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 36 cm (14.2")

Width = 7.7 cm (3.0")

Depth = 4 cm (1.6")

Description

A superb quality late 18th century French silver fish server with a heavy gauge curved blade and attractive handle bracket with facet and knopped details and beaded band. The turned ebonised wood handle has a metal thread which screws into the silver, a sign of the level of craftsmanship of the piece, and enables easy maintenance of both parts. The blade has an intricate pierced pattern, the edge with a triangular frieze, engraved to represent stylised leaves. The main body, reserving a central circular cartouche with a pierced ring of engraved ovals, is created as a lozenge diaper pattern with an all over machine engraved background texture and hand finished with engraved edges and indented circles to the centre of each intersection. The circular cartouche has a hand engraved dotted edge and a very finely engraved family crest of a crane "in its vigilance" but with raised wings and holding a flower in its raised claw instead of a stone. The underside of the slice is stamped with the makers mark and the Greek woman's head, an unofficial mark representing the Association of Gold & Silversmiths, dating for 1793. It also bears later marks for 1819 of the Paris cockerel (18...

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