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Antique Pair Old Sheffield Silver Plated Candlesticks Circa 1775 18th C

Price

GBP 775

| USD \$1,047 | EUR 906

Item Reference: SA1147281**Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 27 cm (10.6")

Width = 12 cm (4.7")

Depth = 12 cm (4.7")

Description

This is an elegant pair of antique English George III Old Sheffield Plate candlesticks, in the Adam taste, circa 1775 in date. The candlesticks are of Corinthian design and have detachable sconces. The bases of the sticks have two bands of gadroon decoration and the columns are have twisted scallop banding decorated with acanthus leaves. Add some elegance to your dining experience with these lovely candlesticks. Condition: In excellent condition, please see photos for confirmation of condition. Dimensions in cm: Height 27 cm x Width 12 cm x Depth 12 cm Dimensions in inches: Height 11 inches x Width 5 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...

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