

SA1188295

Victorian Silver Plated Wine Cooler - Benjamin Smith II London Maker

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1188295****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 26 cm (10.2")

Width = 24 cm (9.4")

Depth = 18 cm (7.1")

Description

A fine and substantial Victorian silver plate fluted wine cooler attributed to Benjamin Smith II, London 1837. Of campana form with fluted body and flaring rim, upon holly leaf base, with naturalistic split vine/ branch handles. In wonderful condition. Benjamin Smith Benjamin Smith II, London silversmith. Originally of Birmingham, born 15 December 1764, first marriage 1788. Grimwade records first mention of Benjamin Smith through a 3rd party recommendation as 'an Ingenuous Chaser' in 1790 to Matthew Boulton at Birmingham. By September 1792 the firm of Boulton and Smith, latchet manufacturers was in existence. In 1801 Benjamin withdrew from the partnership and went to London. On 1 February 1802, Benjamin married for a second time to Mary Shiers at Greenwich Church and was presumably setting up the workshop there. First mark, in partnership with Digby Scott, 4 October 1802. Second mark together, 21 March 1803. The partnership apparently dissolved by 11 May 1807, when Smith entered a third separate mark. Fourth mark, 25 June 1807. Fifth mark in partnership with his brother James 1809. Sixth separate mark, 1812. Seventh mark, 1814. Eighth mark in partnership with his...

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