

SA749945

Elegant Pair of 19th Century Gilt Brass Candelabra by Elkington & Co

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA749945****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 68 cm (26.8")

Width = 26 cm (10.2")

Depth = 26 cm (10.2")

Description

An elegant pair of gilt brass Neoclassical revival Four light Candelabra by Elkington and Co. English Circa 1880. The three leaf-cast scrolling branches enclosing a confirming scones above slender string stems with lappet-cast collars on compressed lead and shell-cast lion's paw tripods and tricorn platforms. Very elegant and slender pair of candelabra in original condition with a good colour to the gilt work, inspired by the ancient Roman models. Very unusual being gilt rather than the silver-plate Elkingtons are noted for. Will work in both a contemporary and traditional setting. About Elkington & Co. They one of the most important names in English silver and certainly the most important in silver plate as they invented it. They began life in Birmingham as a company of silversmiths in 1836, and experimented with improving gilding techniques. By 1838 they had discovered and patented a new way to electroplate one metal on to the surface of another. The company received financial backing from Josiah Mason in 1842 (renaming the firm Elkington, Mason & Co between 1842 and 1861) and was extremely successful. It introduced electrotyping as a new method of production fo...

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