

SA943941

Antique George III Old Sheffield Salver 1780 18th C

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA943941****Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 2.5 cm (1.0")

Width = 19 cm (7.5")

Depth = 19 cm (7.5")

Description

This is an exquisite English antique Old Sheffield Plate salver, circa 1780 in date. The elegant shaped circular salver features fluted beaded shell and leafy scroll border with the field inlaid with a band of strapwork on tripod feet. Add an elegant touch to your next dining experience with this lovely salver. Condition: In excellent original condition, Please see photos for confirmation. Dimensions in cm: Height 2.5 x Width 19 x Depth 19
 Dimensions in inches: Height 1 inch x Width 7 inches x Depth 7 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 though he could clearly see two different layers. Boulsover set up in business, funded by Strelley Pegge of Beauc...

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