

SA985454

Antique Victorian Solid Silver Snuff Box with Fine Engravings Cartouche Design - Edward Smith 1850

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA985454****Date of manufacture: Victorian**

Description

We are delighted to offer this beautiful hand-engraved solid silver snuff box made in Birmingham in 1850 with the maker's mark of Edward Smith. This snuff box is an exemplary piece of intricate Victorian silverware displaying the most desirable attributes and impressive craftsmanship. The entire box is shaped in a cartouche-like manner with ornate curves and scalloped corners. Each and every part of the box is magnificently hand engraved with acanthus leaf scrolls that seamlessly flow into each other. As a further testament to the high degree of skill, even the base of the box which would normally be unseen when placed on a table, is equally, if not more impressive in design. The engraver has utilised this part to display the art and precision of fine hand engraving with the whole panel being covered edge to edge without a single slip of the hand. One can imagine the amount of skill, patience and care that has gone into crafting and embellishing a single small object with the amalgamation of each part resulting in a quality feel when held in hand. The top lid also features a presentation engraving as these boxes were often used as important gifts to celebrat...

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