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**Antique Solid Silver Snuff Box
with Marvellous Hunting Forest
Scene Engraving - Charles
Rawlings & William Summers
1837**

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA995332

Date of manufacture: Georgian

Description

We are delighted to offer this Victorian solid silver snuff box with the maker's mark of Charles Rawlings & William Summers, London 1837. Whilst the box's shape and initial geometric design by itself may not be of distinction, it is undeniably the marvellous hand engraving that profusely embellishes all sides of the box that truly makes this a unique snuff box. The top lid features a monogrammed cartouche embedded within a wreath of acanthus and foliate scrolls. Hidden within the design is a stag hunt scene, where a stag (on the left) is being chased by two hounds (one slightly below the stag to the right and the other on the far right). Although impressive at first glance, it is only upon spending more time looking closer from various angles that one can fully appreciate the artistic engraving of the scene that is akin to a painting. The scene has been carefully planned out and engraved in layers and stages such that it creates motion, emotion and captures the chaotic nature of a stag hunt. For instance, the stag appears to be jumping out of the bushes as its left leg jumps out in the foreground whilst its right leg appears to be caught up behind another acanthu...

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