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Antique & Contemporary Silver

Rare set of Victorian hand-forged Paxton pattern silver cutlery for
12

George Adams

£18,600



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Description

In a very rare 19th century design named after Sir Joseph Paxton, this is a lovely hand-forged antique set of silver cutlery for 12 people made by George Adams, the premier silver flatware maker of the Victorian era.

Paxton was a notable architect, engineer and head gardener at Chatsworth House, one of Britain's finest stately homes where built The Great Conservatory (cultivating the Cavendish banana, today the most consumed banana in the Western world) that would become the test-bed for the prefabricated glass and iron structural techniques which Paxton pioneered and employed for his masterpiece, The Crystal Palace for the Great Exhibition in England in 1851.

The Paxton pattern reflects life as a gardener and features a central flower with trailing and scrolling foliage that forms a shield, surrounded by a gothic border. An unidentified crest sits inside the shield. All pieces are double-struck, meaning the pattern is forged on both sides which and is a sign of superior quality.

Complete services of Paxton cutlery are extremely rare. This cutlery service comprises:

- 12 table forks
- 12 table soup spoons
- 12 dessert forks
- 12 dessert spoons
- 12 teaspoons

- 1 soup ladle
- 1 cheese scoop
- 1 sauce ladle

Antique knives in any antique cutlery set rarely survive. We have completed this service with 12 pairs of modern silver table and dessert knives in the Charles II Laceback pattern which are a good complementary match to the set. Fitted with stainless steel blades, they are dishwasher safe.

This set of silver cutlery is not available to purchase online. Please contact us if you would like more information or are interested to buy it.