

Set of four antique sterling silver duck & grouse menu holders G & C Hodgetts

£2,200



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Height: 30 mm (1.18") Width: 40 mm (1.57")

Weight: 63 g

Description

Set of four early-20th-century antique silver menu or place card holders cast in the form of ducks and partridge/grouse/guinea fowl/ and sitting in their original fitted presentation case. Each silver menu holder is mounted on a satin finished sterling silver base and the birds have finely detailed feathering.

As a fine and traditional addition to fine dining, it was the Victorians who first introduced menu holders to our dining tables. Silver menu holders and place card holders were first created to hold a card displaying the menu and, rather than putting a place card holder and name in front of each diner as we often do today, silver menu holders were spread and passed around the dining table.