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Victorian sterling silver goblet with gothic style engraved decoration

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Sold



REF: 2239

Height: 130 mm (5.12")

Diameter: 75 mm (2.95")

Weight: 170 g

Description

An elegant Victorian silver goblet with gilded interior and decorated around the body with hand-engraved gothic style panels featuring foliage. There are geometric patterns engraved below the rim and base.

With its flat base, thin stem and conical bowl, the basic goblet shape has remained almost entirely unchanged in its form for centuries. When made in silver the goblet is often called a wine cup.

In the mid-fifteenth century the gentry owned goblets crafted in silver. Superstitious drinkers in the seventeenth century believed that precious metals promoted better health, and so the demand for silver goblets increased. The arrival of silver plate in the mid 1800s meant that more people could afford to introduce a bit of luxury into their lifestyle.