

Matched set of 12 Edwardian silver owl menu or place card holders

Goldsmiths & Silversmiths Co

£5,650



REF: 8688 Height: 35 mm (1.38") Diameter: 31 mm (1.22") Weight: 230 g

Description

A parliament of silver owls! This is a charming set of 12 silver menu or place card holders in the form of owls. Each silver owl is beautifully cast, finely hand chased in detail and fitted with amber glass eyes. They are presented in a velvet-lined presentation case.

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.

Sampson Mordan was a leading silversmithing firm at the end of the 19th century and early 20th, and the workshop was famous for the fine quality craftsmanship of small silver articles.

Goldsmiths & Silversmiths produced high-quality silverware and other items made from precious metals. Founded in the 19th century and in London, they known for its attention to detail and craftsmanship and produced a wide range of silver items.