

Provincial Newcastle George III sterling silver loving cup

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£5,850



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Height: 230 mm (9.06") Width: 310 mm (12.2")

Diameter: 135 mm (5.31")

Weight: 1175 g

Description

Rare and superior quality silver loving cup made in Newcastle. This fine two-handled cup is decorated with bead pattern mounts and a central girdle, with wonderfully detailed scroll and leaf handles. The body features an engraved oval shield on either side, each surrounded by floral garlands and ribbons. One shield is engraved with a family crest, the other has entwined script initials.

The body of this trophy cup is suitable for engraving for any event or occasion and we can make a bespoke wooden plinth and silver band for engraving winners' names and dates, for an additional cost.

Trophies have marked victories since ancient times. The word trophy, coined in English in 1550, was derived from the French trophée in 1513 - a prize of war. In ancient Greece, trophies were made on the battlefields while the Romans built magnificent trophies in Rome, including columns and arches and huge stone memorials.

Today a trophy is a tangible, durable reminder of a specific achievement, and serves as recognition or evidence of merit. Trophies in the form of silver chalices, or two-handled cups, are popular items presented to winners of sporting events and include some of the world's most famous trophy cups: The FA Cup, Wimbledon Trophy (two-handled cup), Webb Ellis Cup, Ryder Cup and the British Grand Prix Trophy.