

LANGFORDS

Antique & Contemporary Silver

Pair cast Britannia silver candlesticks

Tessiers

Sold



REF: 6444

Height: 175 mm (6.89")

Diameter: 115 mm (4.53")

Weight: 996 g

Description

In the Queen Anne style, popular in the early 18th century, this pair of Britannia standard silver candlesticks are faithful recreations of the original design and method of construction of the time.

The Britannia standard of 958 parts per thousand introduced in England in 1697 to protect the new silver coinage which was being melted down by silversmiths for the silver. The sterling standard of 925 parts per thousand was restored in 1720. Britannia has only been denoted by the silver hallmark 958 since hallmarking changes introduced in 1999.