

# LANGFORDS

Antique & Contemporary Silver

Plain Pine silver-plated cutlery for 12

Roberts & Belk

£1,500



## Description

A canteen of silver-plated cutlery in the rather striking Plain Pine pattern with typical Art Deco design cues. All pieces are A1 Electro Plated Nickle Silver (EPNS) while the knives are Sheffield rustless steel with faux ivory handles. This silver-plated cutlery set is presented in its original, two-drawer wooden canteen.

Originally an architect, Walter Patrick Belk initially designed the Plain Pine service for the 1934 launch of the White Star-Cunard RMS Queen Mary in its tourist class (2nd class) dining room. It proved so popular that Roberts & Belk were wired from New York to supply more when the ship returned to Southampton as thousands of pieces had gone missing from the ship's stock! Its continued popularity meant that it was also ordered for another of Cunard's transatlantic liners and sister ship of the Queen Mary, the Queen Elizabeth.

At the V&A Museum's 1930s exhibition, the Victorian & Albert Museum chose Plain Pine as the best cutlery pattern of the Art Deco era.

This cutlery set comprises:

- 12 table forks
- 12 dessert forks
- 12 dessert spoons
- 12 soup spoons
- 12 teaspoons
- 11 coffee spoons
- 12 table knives
- 12 dessert knives
- 12 fish knives
- 12 fish forks
- 6 tablespoons
- 2 gravy ladles