

Set of six silver stacking beakers or stirrup cups Langfords

£3,450



REF: 7298

Height: 97 mm (3.82")

Weight: 666 g

Description

Set of six nesting silver beakers with gilded interiors and fitted in a leather travelling case. The graduated beakers are of a satisfyingly heavy gauge and the slightly graduated sizes means they slip and sit easily inside each other.

Popular since These beakers were usually taken when travelling or on military campaigns.

As a mostly English custom stirrup cups and beakers would have been presented to the mounted riders with their feet firmly in the stirrups, by the huntsman, kennel man or gamekeeper, prior to leaving or arriving home from a hunt.

Without a base, their small capacity allowed the liquid to be drunk quickly; usuall wine or a spirit-based punch mixed with spices.

The rim of a stirrup cup would often be engraved with a motto or inscription from the hunt to commemorate the event.

Stacking beaker cups are the perfect way to share a drink around a group and can be engraved.

These cups would make a great accompaniment for any flask. They enable you to share the drink in your hip flask.