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Antique & Contemporary Silver

Silver quaich traditional drinking cup

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REF: 7023

Height: 75 mm (2.95")

Depth: 300 mm (11.81")

Diameter: 210 mm (8.27")

Weight: 661 g

Description

Classic silver quaich, with chunky, box-style lug handles that can be engraved with the recipient's initials as is the tradition.

Originating in the Scottish Highlands centuries ago, a quaich - or 'cuach' in the Gaelic - is a traditional Scottish shallow drinking cup with two or three handles known as lugs. It is also known as the Scottish loving cup or cup of friendship, with whisky being a quaich's most welcome partner.

Over time the quaich became the favourite drinking cup throughout Scotland, originally made from wood or horn. In the seventeenth century, silver, brass or pewter quaichs started to appear - making the cups fancy enough to be used among the fashionable upper classes of Edinburgh and Glasgow.