

LANGFORDS

Antique & Contemporary Silver

Matched set of 12 silver swan menu or place card holders

Asprey & Co

£1,850



REF: 9007

Height: 29 mm (1.14")

Diameter: 31 mm (1.22")

Weight: 169 g

Description

Matched set of twelve sterling silver place card holders or menu holders made by Asprey & Co in 1988 and 1990. They are classically styled as scallop-edged discs, each featuring a pierced and openwork figure of a swan. The swans are nicely engraved to show their feathering, water ripples and are individually gilded to highlight the detail.

As a fine and traditional addition to fine dining, it was the Victorians who first introduced menu holders to our dining tables. Silver menu holders and place card holders were first created to hold a card displaying the menu and, rather than putting a place card holder and name in front of each diner as we often do today, silver menu holders were spread and passed around the dining table.