

Britannia silver sugar bowl & cream jug

John Sidney Reeve

Sold



REF: 6289

Height: 145 mm (5.71") Width: 135 mm (5.31")

Weight: 596 g

Description

Excellent example from the Arts & Crafts era of a hand-raised Britannia silver sugar bowl, cream jug and sugar by The Guild of Handicrafts maker John Sidney Reeve.

Reeve has reinterpreted a classic Adam period design from the 1790s and incorporated his own design cues: delicate interwoven rope borders with bead medallions plus applied reeded handle mounts with triform bead ends. The inverted fluted bodies have the unusual feature of a mottled, hammered finish.

The Arts & Crafts movement emerged from a disenchantment with the impersonal, mechanised direction of society in the 19th century and advocated a return to a simpler, more fulfilling way of living. The movement was admired for its use of high quality materials and for its emphasis on utility in design.

Dimensions are for the cream jug.