

George II period bullet-shaped silver teapot

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REF: 8067

Height: 110 mm (4.33") Width: 240 mm (9.45") Depth: 105 mm (4.13")

Weight: 320 g

Description

Hand-raised sterling silver teapot in the George II bullet style with a band of engraved decoration around the lid in the 18th century manner. This beautifully made teapot has an octagonal cast spout and fruit wood handle. The teapot is of a heavy gauge of silver and will serve three cups of tea.

The ball-shaped teapot is typical of the George II period in the mid 18th century and the word bullet is derived from the French word boulette which roughly means little ball, referring to the pellets which were used in the original muskets.

A silver teapot pours like no other. Sterling silver is the perfect material for fashioning teapots:

- · No other material can be fashioned into such elegant and detailed forms, reflect light as beautifully, and a perfectly formed silver teapot spout will never drip.
- · Second only to diamonds, silver has the highest thermal conductivity of any material, meaning that tea leaves can be brewed at a higher temperature than in any other teapot, allowing the tea leaves to fully release their flavours.
- · That same high thermal conductivity means a silver teapot will retain heat and keep tea hot for much longer.
- · Unlike porcelain and ceramic teapots, silver is sturdy and long-lasting, does not shatter and the occasional dent can be debruised.

Estimated weight given excludes the wooden handle and finial.