Suite of three Edwardian sterling silver trophy cups & covers

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£28,500



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Height: 460 mm (18.11")

Width: 320 mm (12.6")

Weight: 5476 g

Description

Spectacular set of three silver trophy cups in the George III style, one large and two smaller; a set of the most wonderful quality with finely detailed decoration and substantial weight to each piece.

Each silver cup has a removable lid featuring hand-chased acanthus leaf detail, a decoration which is also found round the bodies, and cast finial. The handles are realistically cast as sinuously entwined snakes, the heads of which are holding rings that appear to be supporting hand-chased drapes that hang round the body of each cup. The insides are gold-plated.

Dimensions are given for the large silver trophy cup. The smaller two are each 300mm (12") tall and 210mm (8½") wide.

Trophies have marked victories since ancient times. The word trophy, coined in English in 1550, was derived from the French trophée in 1513 - a prize of war. In ancient Greece, trophies were made on the battlefields while the Romans built magnificent trophies in Rome, including columns and arches and huge stone memorials.

Today a trophy is a tangible, durable reminder of a specific achievement, and serves as recognition or evidence of merit. Trophies in the form of silver chalices, or two-handled cups, are popular items presented to winners of sporting events and include some of the world's most famous trophy cups: The FA Cup, Wimbledon Trophy (two-handled cup), Webb Ellis Cup, Ryder Cup and the British Grand Prix Trophy.

This suite of silver trophy cups not available to purchase online. Please get in touch if you would like more information or are interested to buy them.

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