

Two-handled silver trophy cup & cover

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REF: 8577 Height: 285 mm (11.22") Width: 230 mm (9.06") Diameter: 138 mm (5.43") Weight: 1045 g

Description

Handsome, early-20th-century silver trophy cup and cover with applied decorative mounts, acanthus leaf and scroll pattern C-shaped handles, and a cover that is surmounted by a leaf and berry-shaped finial. A classic looking trophy cup.

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.

The plain silver body of this trophy cup is suitable for engraving for any event or occasion and we can make a bespoke wooden plinth and silver band for engraving names and dates.