

## Modern silver wine funnel & drip stand

Garrard & Co

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Height: 140 mm (5.51") Diameter: 85 mm (3.35")

Weight: 350 g

## Description

Smart, modern, silver wine funnel filter with matching drip tray and made in a good, heavy-gauge of silver. The rims of the tray and the filter bowl feature applied cast mounts decorated in a stylish pattern of interlocking rings.

The dimensions given are for the wine funnel and the weight includes the tray, whose diameter is 110 mm  $(4\frac{1}{4})$ 

First appearing at the end of the 17th century, silver wine funnels were designed to decant wine from the bottle to a decanter for the table. The bowl was pierced with holes for catching larger pieces of detritus such as cork, while a retaining ring kept a piece of muslin straining cloth in place which filtered out finer sediment and prevented spoiling the wine in the decanter.

In the 18th century the spigot was crafted with a curved tip to ensure the wine ran gently down the wall of the decanter and, particularly for very fine or old wines, prevent bruising the wine.