

Art Deco silver tea strainer

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REF: 3445

Width: 140 mm (5.51")

Diameter: 62 mm (2.44")

Weight: 57 g

Description

Nice heavy quality Art Deco style tea strainer in sterling silver.

Tea strainers emerged in 17th century Europe when tea drinking became hugely popular and readily available to those outside China. Given the surge in tea drinking in Europe and America, the tea strainer was designed to separate the loose leaves from the hot water and many silver examples were accompanied by a drip stand or bowl where the strainer could be placed in between cups of tea. Tea's new fashion status attracted silversmiths to create a wide variety of tea-related accessories that were often turned into elaborate masterpieces.

Even today, the pleasure of a properly made cup of tea with tea leaves is undiminished and a silver tea strainer is the perfect accessory for the event.

Art Deco is a style of decoration that was at its zenith in the 1920s and 30s. It featured simple, bold designs on materials such as silver and glass, and combined modern styles with fine craftsmanship and rich materials.