

LANGFORDS

Antique & Contemporary Silver

8" antique Chippendale silver salver

Barker Brothers

Sold



REF: 6751

Diameter: 205 mm (8.07")

Weight: 360 g

Description

Antique silver salver with a classic Chippendale border and mounted on four hoof supports.

The word salver derives from the Latin *salvare* meaning to save. Originally, food or drink intended for royalty would be initially tasted by a servant for signs of poison before it reached the royal top table. Being served on the salver indicated that this process had taken place and the food and drink was now fit for a king. Salviers later became commonplace in aristocratic and wealthy homes and Samuel Pepys is recorded as an owner of a salver, signifying his high social standing.