

LANGFORDS

Antique & Contemporary Silver

Two-handed sterling silver trophy cup & cover

Atkin Brothers

£4,150



REF: 8390

Height: 300 mm (11.81")

Width: 310 mm (12.2")

Diameter: 180 mm (7.09")

Weight: 1594 g

Description

A substantial silver cup and cover trophy, recreated from an original Queen Anne period design at the beginning of the 18th century. The cup has a stepped base and the two scrolling handles are decorated with acanthus leaf thumbpieces. The domed lift-off silver cover features an traditional silver finial.

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, for an additional sum.

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.