

LANGFORDS

Antique & Contemporary Silver

Limited edition set of six antique silver spirit tot mugs

Asprey & Co

£975



REF: 9014

Height: 40 mm (1.57")

Width: 43 mm (1.69")

Depth: 34 mm (1.34")

Weight: 172 g

Description

This lovely set of George V miniature silver shot mugs or tots, fitted in their original case, is based on a George II style of pint mug that was fashionable in the mid 18th century. Each miniature mug tot - with a capacity of about 25 ml which equates to a small shot or jigger - is authentically styled with straight sided bodies and tucked-in bases. The scroll handles even feature the traditional thumbpiece.

A fun alternative use might be to use these tot mugs as butt markers by engraving them 1 to 6 on their bases. Butt markers were used to help choose the first shooting position in a game shoot, with shooters taking turns to choose a hidden numbered peg.

Historically, in the British Royal Navy, a tot was specifically one-eighth of an imperial pint (approximately 70 ml) of rum. Today, the term is often used interchangeably with shot or jigger and can range from 25 ml to 50 ml.