

A very fine George I Pint Mug made in London in 1721 by Thomas Folkingham.

£2,950



Description

The Mug has slightly tapering sides, a tucked in base, and everted rim, which was the style of the 1720's and 1730's. This example has a very attractive scroll handle and is finely engraved on the front with a contemporary Armorial, surrounded by a foliate scroll cartouche. The base is very well marked and is also engraved with two sets of contemporary initials, denoting the recipient and donor in 1721. The reign of George I was relatively short and it is not common to find pieces from this period in comparison to other reigns. Thomas Folkingham was a fine and respected silversmith, of considerable status, as he left an estate valued at £ 30,000 in 1729. He was apprentice to John Bache and was free in 1707, with workshops near the Royal Exchange. A.G. Grimwade in his work, "London Goldsmith's 1697-1837", states that his work is of very fine quality as he employed Huguenot emigres in his workshops. This piece is in quite excellent condition. The Arms are those of the Maude family, impaling those of Wallingford, County Oxfordshire. Height: 4.1 inches, 10.25 cm. Base Diameter: 3.25 inches, 8.13 cm. Weight: 11oz.