

A very fine Queen Anne Britannia Standard Antique Silver Saucepan made in London in 1713 by William Fleming.

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Description

The Saucepan stands on an applied spreading foot which is decorated with reeded bands. The main body has straight sides with a flared, everted, rim and is engraved with a contemporary mirror cipher. The silver section of the handle is attached to the main body with a shield shaped moulding. The upper section of the handle is made of beautifully shaded turned fruitwood. The Saucepan is very well marked on the side of the main body and unusually with the maker's mark and leopard's head erased on the silver section of the handle. The Saucepan is in excellent condition and displays the original hammer marks from when it was originally made. It is of a very good gauge of silver which is especially seen by the thickness of the rim. These pieces are often termed Brandy Saucepans, however we believe that they were used for sauce.

William Fleming was a prolific maker and was apprentice to Nathaniel Lock. He had workshops in Maiden Lane, London, when this fine piece was made. Arthur Grimwade in, "London Goldsmith, Their Lives & Works" states that his mark is frequently found on well executed small pieces of hollow ware. This is one of the finest, and earliest, saucepans we have offered over the years.

Height: 2.3 inches, 5.75cm.

Diameter at the rim: 3.6 inches, 9cm.

Length: 8.45 inches, 21.13cm.

Weight: 7oz.