

A pair of early George III Basket Salt Cellars made in London in 1768
by Robert & David I Hennell.

Sold



Description

These very rare Salt Cellars are modelled as baskets, standing on four claw and ball feet. The main body is oval in form, with a corded rim, and is divided into panels with vertical bands each beautifully pierced with scroll work and quatrefoil motifs. The front of each Salt Cellar displays a shaped vacant cartouche. Each piece has an arched, twisted, carrying handle and blue glass liner. The Salts are in excellent condition and are very well marked on the bases. This design was first produced in the Hennell workshops, however very few were made in the basket form. Their size also means that they could be used on the table for mustard or jellies etc. David Hennell I went into business with his son Robert in 1763 and their cruciform mark was entered on 9th June. They entered a similar mark in July 1768 and had workshops in Foster Lane when these pieces were made. Length: 3.6 inches. Width: 2.9 inches. Height, to the rim: 2 inches. Height, to the top of the handle: 4.1 inches. Weight: 6.5 oz the pair.