A very fine set of four early George III Serving Dishes made in London in 1761 by George Methuen.

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Description

This set would have been used to serve food from and are modelled in the shaped circular form with a raised rim decorated with gadrooning. Each has a deep bowl to hold a good quantity of food and each is engraved with a contemporary Armorial with a drapery mantling cartouche. The reverse is engraved with their individual weigh, and number within the dinner service, and display a very crisp set of hallmarks. They are each in excellent condition and are of a good weight. This is no surprise as they were made by the George Methuen. He had workshops in Heming's Row when these dishes were made. His principal output seems, from the survival of his mark, to have been salvers and dinner plates and dishes. His work always shows a high standard of design and finish.The Armorial is that of the Adair family of Flixton Hall, Suffolk. The house was built in 1615 and bought by the Adair family in around 1750. The arms are most probably those as used by William Adair (1700-1783) who bought Flixton and had made his fortune as an army agent. The family held the Barony of Waveney from 1873 to 1886 and from 1838 to 1988. They were also baronets of Flixton, Suffolk.Diameter: 10.75 inches, 26.88 cm.Weight: 90 oz, the set.

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