

INVERNESS. An extremely rare George III Scottish Provincial Drinking Quaich. Made in Inverness Circa 1800 by Alexander Stewart.

Sold



Description

This fine example is of circular form, with two side lugs and stands on a silver ring foot. The lugs are engraved with the contemporary initials DR and ID, so this may well have been a marriage piece. The foot is well marked with AS for Alexander Stewart, INS for Inverness and the letter "A", as seen on Inverness pieces. Inverness was a very small Scottish centre of silver production, however it is usually only flatware which is found coming from this place. To find a Quaich is particularly rare. This piece is in excellent condition and an identical Inverness example, made by the same silversmith, is contained within the collection of the Museum of Fine Arts in Houston. These pieces were used to take a drink from and are peculiar to Scotland. Height: 1.25 inches, 3.13 cm. Length, across the lugs: 5 inches, 12.5 cm. Weight: 3oz.