

Set of 6 Victorian silver lobster picks

Sold



REF: 3711

Width: 8 cm (3.1")

## Description

Early set of six Victorian antique silver lobster picks. Sheffield 1898 by James Deakin & Sons. The lower part of the picks are convex in order to scrape the flesh out of the lobster while the upper part of the stem ends in two prongs for use on the claws and the thinner parts of the lobster. About a third of the way up the stem is an oval thumbpiece stamped with a very realistic lobster on a matted ground with a star shell to the right. The reverse of the picks are totally plain and the makers mark and full hallmarks are stamped very clearly just above the oval lozenge.

It would seem that this design became the standard for lobster picks in the UK until well into the late 1930s and is again being made to-day but the 19th century picks still have an edge. These picks can also be used very effectively for crab or other shell-fish.