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ANTIQUE SILVER

GEORGE III/IV TWO SCOTTISH STERLING SILVER LUGGIES both by JAMES MCKAY

Sold

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Description

Eye catching, almost identical pair of George III/IV Scottish sterling silver luggies.

Maker: James McKay. Edinburgh 1819/1820.

These luggies were both made by the same maker and the only difference between them is that one was hallmarked in 1819 and was struck below the rim, the other was hallmarked in 1820 and was struck below the top band of reeding. In fact there could be just one or a few days difference between the dates when each item was hallmarked.

Lug is a Scottish word for the outer ear, which is reflected in the design of the handles. The word luggie comes from the 15th Century Scottish word for a wooden bowl with handles.

These Georgian versions have a very elegant form made from sterling silver with gilded bowls. The body has a circular, tapering shape decorated with two bands of reeding and cast lug handles on either side.

Provenance: The Arthur Holder Collection.

These items are very striking and versatile. They would be perfect on the dining table or for decorative use.

The full set of hallmarks and the makers mark are well struck and the gauge of the silver is very generous.

Height: 2.4 inches (6.35cm)

Diameter: 3.1 inches (7.9cm) at base and 4 inches (10.2cm) at rim.

Weight: 12.8 troy ounces (397 grams) the pair

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