

An exceptionally fine and rare pair of early George II Salvers, of large size, made in London in 1738 by John Tuite.

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Description

The Salvers stand on three cast scroll feet, a typical design for this period. The raised, beautifully shaped rim, is decorated with raying shells, in sizes, and the centre of each Salver is beautifully engraved with a contemporary Armorial, with Crest above, surrounded by a Rococo foliate scroll and shell cartouche. The reverse displays a crisp set of hallmarks and each is engraved, also, with S Holder. The Salvers are of the finest quality, as would be expected from this specialist Salver maker, and they are in excellent condition, with a good colour. The Arms are those of the Jorden family of Priors Lee, co. Salop. Edward Jorden was the High Sheriff of the county in 1720. The Arms are most probably those of his son, also Edward Jorden, with an inescutcheon of pretense for his wife, who was a heraldic heiress.

John Tuite is regarded as one of the finest Salver makers in London during this period. He was of Irish descent and was the son of James Tuite of Drogheda, a merchant. He was apprenticed to John Matthews of Dublin and moved to London in 1723. Tuite specialised in the production of some of the finest salvers of the period and had an interesting mark of a Neo-Classical Ewer, with his initials either side. He was working in Litchfield Street when these Salvers were made and died in 1740. This is the third time we have offered this pair for sale over our dealing years and are very pleased to do so again.

Diameter: 8.5 inches, 21.25cm.

Weight: 27oz, the pair.