An extremely rare William & Mary Scent Flask made in London circa 1690 by Thomas Tysoe.

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Description

The Scent Flask is finely modelled as a Pilgrim Flask. This piece stands on an oval ring foot, with two side rings, to which a suspensory chain is attached. The screw off cover terminates in a peg, which is inverted once off and can be used as a stopper. This piece is in excellent condition. Scent was only available to the wealthiest of individuals at this date and would, most probably, have been imported from the Continent. This is also desirable as it was made during the short reign of William III & Mary II, which only lasted from 1689-1694, when Mary died. Very few scent flasks were made during this period and only a few have survived.Although Tysoe is cited by Timothy Kent as a spoon maker he was not exclusively so and Kent on P. 49 of London Silver Spoonmakers 1500 to 1697 mentions he was fined in respect of various wares, including a nutmeg grater.Height: 2.5 inches, 6.25 cm.Width, at the widest point: 1.7 inches, 4.25 cm.

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