

CHESTER. An exceptionally rare pair of early George III Drinking mugs made in chester in 1765 by richard richardson ii

£5,500



Description

The Mugs are modelled in a style which is seldom seen from Chester. Each stands on a spreading moulded foot, decorated with reeding. The main bodies are baluster in design, with a slightly everted rim and both have attractive plain scroll handles, with a plain cap on top. The front is engraved with a contemporary Crest of a stag's head pierced with an arrow. The Mugs are in quite excellent condition, have a very good colour and are clearly marked on the base, the five Chester marks arranged in a circle. These are of a particularly good gauge and weight, considering their size. This design, and size, of mug is rare to find from Chester, especially a pair. Due to their rarity they are mentioned in "Chester Silver", 1727-1837, by Canon Maurice Ridgeway, Page 162, items 1 & 2. Height: 3.1 inches, 7.75 cm. Diameter of the foot: 2.1 inches, 5.25 cm. Weight: 12oz.