

An exceptional pair of George I Tazzas made in London in 1725 by William Darker.

£7,500



Description

The Tazzas stand on a trumpet shaped spreading foot and the circular top has a slightly raised rim decorated with reeded bands. The top displays one of the finest engraved Armorial designs we have ever seen contained in a feather edge and scroll circular cartouche. The Armorial displays the associated Crest above and Motto, engraved on a banner, below. The top is very well marked and each foot is stamped with a sterling mark. It is most unusual to find pairs of Tazzas from this period and both are in excellent condition. William Darker was a fine maker who was apprentice to Richard Bailey. Darker had workshops in St. Martin's Lane when these were made. The Arms, Crest and Motto are those of Sir Francis Fust, 5th Baronet of Hill, Gloucestershire (1705-1769) who married Fanny Tooker, daughter of Nicholas Tooker, a merchant from Bristol. The full arms are those of Fust quartering Singleton, Hide, Denton, Cocks, Mohun (quartering Hide and Churchill) and impaling Tooker. Diameter at the top: 5.6 inches, 14cm. Height: 1.85 inches, 4.63 cm. Weight: 12oz.