

A very unusual pair of George III Serving Dishes made in London in 1784 by James Young

£5,500



Description

The Dishes are modelled in an unusual shaped oval style, with a raised border decorated with bold beading. Beaded dishes are very rare to find, as nearly all have gadrooned borders at this date. One side of the rim is engraved with a shield shaped Armorial, with a motto engraved on a banner below. The other side is engraved with a contemporary Crest. The dishes are very well marked and also engraved with their original scratch weight. They are both in excellent condition, with an outstanding weight and wear commensurate with their age and use. The Arms, Crest and Motto are those of North as used for a descendant of the 1st Baron North in the male line. Work by the silversmith James Young is scarce, either on his own or in partnership with Orlando Jackson. He was apprenticed to John Muns in 1749, and had workshops at 5, Aldersgate Street, London, when these dishes were made. A.G. Grimwade in his work "London Goldsmiths 1697-1837 - Their Marks and Lives", states that his work is of elegant neo Classical design and fine finish, particularly his epergnes. Length: 13.3 inches, 33.25 cm. Width: 9.25 inches, 23.13 cm. Weight: 63.5 oz, the apir.