ADMIRAL LORD NELSON. An exceptionally rare George III Nile Sugar Bowl made in London in 1808 by Solomon Hougham.

£1,950



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Description

The Bowl stands on four ball feet and the main body is modelled in a baluster broad rectangular form, rising to a shaped, everted, gadrooned rim.. This piece also has two angular side handles and the front of the main body is engraved with a set of contemporary script initials. The interior displays deep, original, gilding and this piece is marked in the engraved designs. Most unusually the Bowl displays an upper frieze of exceptionally executed engraving, on a prick dot ground, depicting stylised Egyptian Hieroglyphics, including sea serpents, crocodiles and a sphinx. The Bowl is in quite exceptional condition.After Admiral Lord Nelson was killed at the Battle of Trafalgar in 1805 there was an outpouring of grief for our National Hero and various souvenirs were made of his life. Two items were Campaign Vinaigrettes and Snuff Boxes which celebrated his Egyptian Campaigns, predominantly the Battle of the Nile. Nile Boxes and Vinaigrettes are very scarce, however larger pieces of domestic silver celebrating the life of Nelson and his Egyptian Campaigns are extremely rare. An image of a Nile Vinaigrette from our archive is shown in the image stream.

Length, handle to handle: 7 inches,, 17.5cm.
Width:4.25 inches, 10.63cm.
Height, to the top of the handle: 4 inches, 10cm.
Weight: 10oz.

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