

An exceptional pair of George III Beaded Sauceboats made in London in 1785 by Daniel Smith & Robert Sharp.

£6,950



Description

The Sauceboats stand on a cast pedestal foot which is decorated with a bold beaded band. The main bodies are of a good large size and have a slightly baluster form, rising to an applied beaded rim. These examples have a pronounced pouring spout and the reeded loop handle is also decorated with acanthus foliage. The Sauceboats are engraved on one side with a contemporary Armorial surrounded by a foliate plume cartouche and the other side is engraved with a contemporary Crest surrounded by a garter cartouche contained the family motto. The Arms and Crest are those of the Whitehead family of Amberley Court, Gloucestershire. Each piece is of an exceptional weight because of the cast elements and both are in excellent condition. The Sauceboats are both fully marked on the cast foot. Daniel Smith & Robert Sharp were also patronised by King George III and his eldest son, later George IV, when he was furnishing his Carlton House residence on Pall Mall in London. Smith & Sharp occupied workshops in Bartholomew Close, specifically at number 14, when these sauceboats were made. Length, spout to handle: 8.5 inches, 21.25 cm. Width: 4.25 inches, 10.63 cm. Height, to the top of the handle: 5.5 inches, 13.75 cm. Weight: 36oz, the pair.