

An exceptional pair of George II Half Pint Mugs made in London in 1735 by Edward Vincent.

£5,500



Description

The Mugs stand on a spreading, stepped, foot decorated with reeding. The main bodies are modelled in a baluster form and are plain in design, rising to an everted rim. Each has a plain, faceted, scroll handle and the front is engraved with a contemporary Armorial surrounded by a most unusual Rococo cartouche displaying shells and scrolls in addition to stylised icicles at the bottom. The Mugs are of an exceptional gauge and weight and are fully marked in the foot. Their quality is outstanding. The Armorial in pretence is that of the Brigham family of Canon End Oxford. One Mug is engraved in the foot with EB and the other with MB, so they may well have been a marriage piece, or for two children in this family. Edward Vincent had workshops in Dean Street, Soho, when these mugs were made. His work is considered of considerable rank at this date, as he produced high quality hollow-ware, coffee pots, cups and salvers. His masterpiece is with little doubt the superb oblong salver of 1729 in the Middle Temple in London. Height: 4 inches, 10 cm. Diameter of the foot: 3 inches, 7.5 cm Weight: 18oz, the pair.