



Kirk & Son: American Embossed Solid Silver Box, 19th Century. Coin Silver 19th



340 EUR

Signature : S Kirk & Son

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Sterling silver

Length : 6,8 cm

Width : 6,8 cm

Height : 2,9 cm

Description

Magnificent and rare box by the late 19th century American silversmith S Kirk & Son. The box is square, and the base is hallmarked with a dotted serpentine, typical of the late 19th century. The lid is adorned with a magnificent repoussé decoration of flowers and leaves. The box is hallmarked: S Kirk & Son. 110Z. Later French control mark with a swan. Kirk & Son was founded by Samuel Kirk in 1815. It is renowned for having introduced the repoussé technique to American silversmithing. During the 1820s and 1840s, he developed a floral repoussé motif inspired by Indian silverwork, which became known as "Baltimore Silver." This silversmith was also known for using imported coins from other countries as raw materials until 1896. This box is a fine example of his work, with its embossed

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flower motif and the use of coin silver. The
"11oz" hallmark was used from 1890 to 1896 and
indicates that the box was made from coins with a
fineness of 11/12, or 916/1000. S. Kirk & Son boxes
with this typical decoration are relatively rare; the
bulk of their production was table silverware. 6.8
cm square 2.9 cm high 107.72 grams Very good
condition. Minor scratches from
use. Hand-delivered in Paris or shipped by insured
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