



Sheffield Silver Sardine Tongs Dated 1901



680 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Sterling silver

Length : 11.5 cm

Description

Sheffield silver sardine tongs. These solid silver tongs (925/1000) were used to serve tinned fish, a typical refinement of the period. Mastery of specialised utensils (lobster picks, sardine tongs, grape scissors) was part of Victorian/Edwardian etiquette, and it was frowned upon to touch food with your fingers. There are four hallmarks: the 'Crown' for the place of manufacture in Sheffield. The Lion passant, the official hallmark of English sterling silver (925/1000). The letter-date 'T' indicates the exact year of manufacture and for Sheffield, which corresponds to 1901. A fourth hallmark with the letters 'A&D' corresponds to the hallmark of the manufacturer/master silversmith who made the tongs (probably Allen & Darwin). Dimension: length 11.5 cm. England datable 1901.

<https://www.proantic.com/en/1666669-sheffield-silver-sardine-tongs-dated-1901.html>

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