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Antique & Contemporary Silver

Rare horse hoof silver mustard pot

George White & Co

Sold



REF: 5328

Height: 50 mm (1.97")

Weight: 153 g

Description

Rare mustard pot is beautifully modelled as a horse's hoof with hinged lid and gilded interior. This unusual piece has its original mustard spoon cast as a riding crop.

Mustard has been a popular condiment since medieval times and grand houses would appoint their very own mustarder, whose solely responsibility was to make sure the household mustard was always topped up. In those days mustard was used in dry powder form.

With growing popularity in the 18th century, mustard was produced in wet form and the desire for a specific container to serve it at the table. This spawned a variety of styles and designs, some of them novelty like this horse hoof.