George IV sterling silver teapot

Benjamin Smith III

£3,200



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Height: 135 mm (5.31")

Width: 275 mm (10.83")

Diameter: 140 mm (5.51")

Weight: 844 g

Description

Large antique Georgian silver teapot of superior quality, made by the eminent silversmith, Benjamin Smith III of London. The teapot is hand raised and chased with vertical banding around the compressed circular form, and mounted on a spreading, shaped base. The insulated handle has an acanthus leaf thumbpiece mount and the rim of the pot features a band of raised classical fluted border.

This silver teapot will serve approximately eight cups of tea.

A silver teapot pours like no other. Sterling silver is the perfect material for making teapots:

· No other material can be fashioned into such elegant and detailed forms, reflect light as beautifully, and a perfectly formed silver teapot spout will never drip.

· Second only to diamonds, silver has the highest thermal conductivity of any material, meaning that tea leaves can be brewed at a higher temperature than in any other teapot, allowing the tea leaves to fully release their flavours.

· That same high thermal conductivity means a silver teapot will retain heat and keep tea hot for much longer.

· Unlike porcelain and ceramic teapots, silver is sturdy and long-lasting, does not shatter and the occasional dent can be debruised.

Note: Under the rules of the UK government's Ivory Act 2018, this silver teapot qualifies for an ivory exemption certificate. If required, the ivory parts may be replicated and replaced with an ivory substitute at no additional cost.

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