Matched set of 12 sterling silver swan place card holders

Asprey & Co

£1,850



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Height: 29 mm (1.14")

Diameter: 31 mm (1.22")

Weight: 169 g

Description

Matched set of twelve sterling silver place card or menu holders made by Asprey & Co in 1988 and 1990. They are classically styled as scallop-edged discs, each featuring a pierced and openwork figure of a swan. The swans are nicely engraved to show their feathering, water ripples and and are individually gilded to highlight the detail.

As a fine and traditional addition to fine dining, it was the Victorians who first introduced menu holders to our dining tables. Silver menu holders and place card holders were first created to hold a card displaying the menu and, rather than putting a place card holder and name in front of each diner as we often do today, silver menu holders were spread and passed around the dining table.

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