

Silver Wine Funnel - London - 1997 by J A Campbell

£250



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Height: 12.7 cm (5")

Width: 7.8 cm (3.1")

Weight: 105 g

Description

A typical George III design first produced in the late 18th century, this a classic silver wine funnel or wine strainer for removing the sediment from your favourite red wines. The rim is decorated with a thread pattern while the cup and base separate to allow for inserting a muslin filter.

First appearing at the end of the 17th century, silver wine funnels were designed to decant wine from the bottle to a decanter for the table.

The bowl was pierced with holes for catching larger pieces of detritus such as cork, while a retaining ring kept a piece of muslin straining cloth in place which filtered out finer sediment and prevented spoiling the wine in the decanter.

In the 18th century the spigot was crafted with a curved tip to ensure the wine ran gently down the wall of the decanter and, particularly for very fine or old wines, prevent bruising the wine.