GEORGE II Sterling Silver Sifter Spoon by Paul de Lamerie. London circa 1740.

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Description

Robust but extremely elegant GEORGE II Sterling Silver Sifter Spoon.

Maker: Paul de Lamerie. London circa 1740.

It is immediately clear that this sifter spoon was made by a master silversmith (The Victoria and Albert Museum describes him as the greatest silversmith working in England in the 18th century). The scalloped shaped bowl has seven facets, each of which has rectangular piercing to sift the sugar through. The curved handle ends in an Onslow pattern finial. This spoon is beautifully balanced and has an extremely pleasing patina.

The hallmarks consist of a very clearly stamped lion passant on one side of the base of the stem and makers mark on the other.

A contemporary family crest of a right arm with guantlet clasping a sword which is impaling a wreath is engraved between the two marks. There is not much Paul de Lamerie silver available today as most of his work is either in museums or in private collections.

Length: 5 inches (12.7cm)

Weight: 1.6 troy ounces (50 grams)