

Hallmarked Silver Glove Stretchers

£35



Description

Make putting on a close-fitting pair of gloves a little easier with this elegant pair of hallmarked silver glove stretchers. Both practical and beautifully refined, they are charming survivors from an era when gloves formed an essential part of a well-dressed wardrobe and the accessories used to care for them were made with equal attention to style.

Designed to be inserted into the fingers of a glove, the stretchers gently eased the leather or fabric open before wear, helping to preserve its shape and making it more comfortable to put on. Their slender, tapered form is both purposeful and graceful, while the silver construction gives the pair a satisfying weight and a touch of everyday luxury.

Glove stretchers were commonly kept on a dressing table or amongst other personal accessories, alongside button hooks, scent bottles, brushes, and jewellery boxes. Today, they offer a fascinating glimpse into the rituals of dressing and personal presentation, when even the most modest daily task could be assisted by an object of fine craftsmanship.

The hallmarks provide an added level of interest, allowing the maker, place of assay, and date to be identified. A delightful addition to a collection of antique silver, dressing-table objects, or fashion accessories, these glove stretchers would also make a thoughtful and unusual gift.