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Sailor's Dipping Coconut Cup

Sold



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Height: 3.81 cm (1.5")

Width: 12.06 cm (4.7")

Depth: 7.62 cm (3")

Description

A finely carved Coconut Shell Cup. SOLD

The cup has a border of vine leaves and grapes carved to its top edge with a ring of flower heads and leaves entwined around a ribbon surrounding the foot. The foot is carved as a flat pad with a hatched design to grip. The point of the rim has a C scroll whilst the back has a cut out square section where a hanging or finger rim would likely have been fitted.

Such cups are often attributed to be the work of sailors or prisoners of war. The carving to this example is particularly good with the grapes and vine leaves indicative of its use. Early 19th Century.