

Silver coronation courtier's pill box

£1,200



Description

Cartier, a rare silver novelty pill box forming a stack of coins presented to intimate courtiers at the coronation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, 12 May 1937. In original Cartier presentation box with coronet.

Royal coronation gifts presented to courtiers have long symbolised royal favour, gratitude, and loyalty. At British coronations, members of the royal household and distinguished guests have sometimes received commemorative medals, medals with ribbons, specially commissioned silverware, porcelain, or finely crafted keepsakes bearing the monarch's cipher or coronation date.

These gifts served as lasting reminders of a historic occasion and recognised the recipient's service to the Crown. Earlier coronations could include more elaborate presentations, reflecting rank and status, while modern gifts are generally more modest.

Today, coronation mementoes remain highly collectable, offering fascinating insights into royal ceremony, craftsmanship, and Britain's enduring ceremonial traditions.