

Edwardian Treen "Silence is Golden" Gavel, Circa 1910

£25



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Height: 18 cm (7.1")

Width: 6 cm (2.4")

Description

A charming Edwardian turned treen gavel, dating to circa 1910, with the wonderfully apt inscription "Silence is Golden" engraved around the hammer head. Both practical and playful, this beautifully made object would once have brought order to a meeting, club, lecture, auction, or domestic gathering-with a gentle reminder that quiet is sometimes the most valuable contribution.

The gavel has been carefully turned from wood, its smoothly shaped handle and pleasingly weighted head reflecting the traditional craftsmanship associated with treen. The inscription gives the piece its particular appeal, transforming a simple chairman's tool into an object of wit, authority, and quiet theatricality.

During the Edwardian period, gavels were used by chairmen of committees, societies, lodges, clubs, and public meetings to call proceedings to order. This example retains all of that period charm, while its message remains as relevant-and amusing-today as it was over a century ago.

An unusual and engaging piece of antique treen, ideal for display in a study, library, office, or meeting room. It would also make an excellent gift for a chairman, teacher, auctioneer, collector, or anyone with an appreciation for well-timed silence.