



19TH CENTURY ENGLISH SILVER PLATE AND MAHOGANY ROAST BEEF TROLLEY

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This impressive antique roast beef trolley combines elegant presentation with the practical refinements of traditional English dining service. Crafted in England circa 1880 in the Neoclassical Revival style, the substantial serving cart features a mahogany frame fitted with a large silver-plated oval meat dish, domed cover, warming apparatus, and specialized serving accessories.

The removable domed cover is decorated with pierced foliate vents and secured to the oval dish with fitted clasps. Graceful silver-plated handles with turned ebonized grips allow the cover and serving vessel to be handled comfortably. Once opened, the fitted interior reveals a large well-and-tree carving platter designed to collect meat juices, together with a separate compartment for gravy or accompaniments. A removable oval serving tray is also included.

The dish rests within an oval mahogany surround edged with a delicate beaded silver-plated border. Beneath the platter, a fitted metal support was designed to accommodate a warming burner, helping maintain the temperature of roasted meat during tableside carving and service. An articulated side fitting incorporates a circular bottle holder and an extended utensil rest, providing convenient storage for sauces, carving tools, or serving accessories.

The mahogany stand is raised on four shaped supports, including two fluted front legs embellished with applied silver-plated acanthus leaves and shell motifs. These classical details, together with the restrained proportions and beaded decoration, reflect the Neoclassical Revival taste popular in late Victorian England. Two open lower shelves provide additional storage for plates, linens, or serving pieces, while four decorative castor wheels allow the trolley to move easily through a dining room.

Originally intended for the ceremonial tableside carving and serving of roast beef, game, or poultry, this exceptional piece could still be used for formal entertaining or repurposed as an impressive bar cart, serving station, or decorative centerpiece.

The silver-plated elements retain a bright polished surface with scratches, rubbing, minor tarnishing, and expected wear from use. The mahogany frame is sturdy and displays a warm patina with minor surface wear consistent with age.

Excellent condition commensurate with age and use.



Dimensions: 36" W x 32.5" D x 46" H