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Early 19th-Century English Old Mine-Cut Diamond Chandelier Earrings, Circa 1820

£4,950

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Description

A fine and highly elegant pair of early 19th-century English chandelier earrings, set throughout with old mine-cut diamonds in silver and gold, circa 1820. Designed with the graceful movement and light-catching brilliance characteristic of the period, they are a beautiful survival from the Regency era.

Each earring is composed as a finely articulated cascading design, with individually set old mine-cut diamonds arranged to create a lively, shimmering display. The silver settings enhance the brightness of the stones, while the gold reverse provides the strength and warmth customary in early 19th-century diamond jewellery. This combination of silver-fronted settings over gold was widely used before platinum became available, allowing candlelight to reflect brilliantly across the diamonds.

Their chandelier form gives the earrings an exceptional sense of movement: each suspended element responds softly as it is worn, creating a scintillating effect that would have been especially captivating in an evening setting. The old mine-cut diamonds, with their high crowns, small tables, and softly irregular hand-cut facets, lend a warmth and individuality impossible to replicate in modern-cut stones.

Elegant yet dramatic, these earrings are an evocative example of English Regency jewellery, combining refined craftsmanship, historical charm, and enduring wearability. They would make a distinguished addition to a collection of antique diamond jewellery, or a remarkable choice for a formal occasion.

English; gold and silver; old mine-cut diamonds; circa 1820. Please refer to the photographs for condition, dimensions, diamond details, and fittings.

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