

# Oltman Ahlers

Likely active period:

**1810-1827**

Born/baptised : 1779

Died : 1827

Son of Oltman Alders from Oldenburg and Dorothea of Bengal.

Alhers was active during Welz's 'Heterogeneous Period (1795-1830)' and his work is typical of this period.

Flatware is in the Old English pattern and includes tablespoons, and forks, dessert forks, konfynt forks, soup ladles and marrow scoops. The soup ladle illustrated is unusual in that the bowl has a wavy border, and the marrow scoop I have seen referenced had only a single scoop.

Other items include a sugar bowl, vase-shaped with beaded borders and a pineapple-and-leaf finial much like the late eighteenth century Cape examples but with an engraved band typical of the heterogeneous period, and a teapot, oval and also with bands of engraving and a pineapple-and-leaf finial. Welz illustrates a double-beaker of typical barrel form.

## Flatware

Old English pattern forks



Old English Pattern Soup Ladle



Other pieces

Sugar Bowl



## Marks



## Rarity indicator

Flatware	Scarce	Snuff boxes	None	Other items	Scarce
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Note: a set of flatware of the same category and by the same maker is counted as a single item.

Key (relative rarity within each category):

Available	more than 5% of items in our database
Scarce	1 to 5% of items in our database
Rare	fewer than 1% of items in our database
None	No items encountered

## Auction price history

Note: only sales of single items by public auction, including online auction platforms, are shown here. Unsold lots and job lots have been excluded. This list does not purport to be complete.

<i>Sale date</i>	<i>Item category</i>	<i>Item description</i>	<i>Price realised</i>	<i>Price type *</i>
1997/10/21	Marrow scoop	Old English pattern marrow scoop by Oltman Ahlers, with single scoop, 26cm long, 40g	ZAR1840	2
1998/05/26	Forks - dessert	Old English pattern dessert fork by Oltman Ahlers, the reverse stamped 'R Cloete', sold together with another fork, probably Dutch	ZAR575	2
2016/03/14	Ladles - soup	Old English pattern soup ladle, Oltman Ahlers, the bowl with wavy rim, 245g	ZAR10539	3
2016/03/14	Sugar bowls	Sugar bowl, Oltman Ahlers, urn-shaped with beaded borders, the body engraved 'MMW' and applied with a pair of rope-twist handles, with foliate engraved rim, on a spreading circular foot and square base, the domed cover with bud-and-leaf finial, three leaves, bolt and nut replaced, 355g, 18,5cm high	ZAR341040	3
2021/10/11	Ladles - soup	Old English pattern soup ladle by Oltman Ahlers, the bowl with wavy rim, restoration, 250g. Minor half-moon indentation where the ladle meets the bowl, and there appears to be a restoration below this. There is a repair and tiny split to the right hand side of the wavy rim. (This is the same ladle that sold on 2016/03/14)	ZAR8208	3

\* Price types:

1 - Auction result hammer price

2 - Auction result including buyer's commission

3 - Auction result including buyer's commission and VAT