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# **CHRISTOFLE BUYS BACK YOUR OLD PIECES!**

Check if it's a Christofle piece by identifying the hallmarks on your piece.

### Step 1:

To be eligible for buy back, your piece must have one of the following hallmarks:

Christofle master hallmark



Or one of its older versions:



Gallia master hallmark



Or one of its older versions:



Quality hallmark



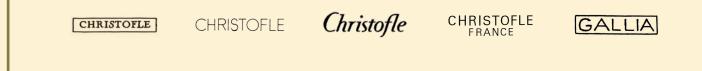
Or one of its older versions:





#### **Step 2 :**

The presence on your piece of one of the bars below also enables you to check whether it is eligible for buy back:



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## Did you know?

### The master hallmark

The master hallmark is unique to each silversmith, and is the signature that proves the piece's authorship. The Christofle hallmark has always featured a balance, a bee, stars, laurels and two letters. Originally, these were the founder's initials, «CC» for Charles Christofle, which evolved into «OC» for Orfèvrerie Christofle from 1935.

Orfèvrerie Gallia was created by Christofle at the end of the 19th century, before being integrated into its collections from the 1920s onwards. This common origin explains why Gallia pieces are also eligible for trade-in.

### The quality hallmark

The quality hallmark guarantees the metal or alloy of the piece. Since 1935, this hallmark has guaranteed the thickness of the precious metal, silver or gold, deposited on the metal alloy.

Since its creation in 1935, the Christofle quality hallmark has consisted of a chess knight and the letters «OC», for «Orfèvrerie Christofle». In 1983, legislation was refined to distinguish between two qualities of silver metal, the first and the second. From then on, the hallmark was marked with Roman numerals, I or II, to indicate this quality.