

A rare George III "Drum" Tea Caddy made in London in 1776 by John Deacon.

£5,500



Description

The Tea Caddy is modelled in the rare Drum form which was only produced for a short time during the 1770's before the advent of the oval forms. The main body is decorated with applied beaded bands on the rim and the base. The sides are most unusually engraved with Classical drapery swags and tassels, in addition to an upper and lower band of prick dot arch work, also repeated on the cover. The front is engraved with a navette shaped bright cut cartouche containing a contemporary Lion Sejant Crest, this being of the Peyton family. The cover terminates in an urn finial and the caddy still possesses its original lock. This piece is in excellent condition and is fully marked on the base and with the sterling mark on the underside of the cover. John Deacon was apprentice to John Moore and had workshops in Greenhill Rents, when this rare caddy was made. Height: 4.2 inches, 10.5 cm. Diameter: 3.7 inches, 9.25 cm. Weight: 12oz.