An exceptional pair of George III Silver gilt Drinking Goblets made in London in 1802 by Wakelin & Taylor

£6,950



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Description

These exceptional examples are modelled in a very rare design and stand on a circular pedestal foot which is decorated with a band of finely detailed acanthus leaves. The vase shaped main body is decorated on the lower section with bat wing fluting below an unusual band of engraved wave motifs, flanked by a raised twisted rope work frame. Both pieces are in exceptional condition and are fully marked on the foot.The Company that was to become Wakelin & Garrard was founded by George Wickes (1698-1761) who entered his mark at Goldsmiths' Hall in 1722. The Company moved to Panton Street, off Haymarket, in 1735, as a goldsmith and provider of jewellery and other luxury items to aristocratic patrons. Wickes was an accomplished silversmith who gained the patronage of Frederick, Prince of Wales. Two apprentices of Wickes, John Parker and Edward Wakelin, purchased the company following Wickes' retirement in 1760, replaced by John Wakelin and William Taylor in 1776. Following the death of Taylor, Robert Garrard became a partner in 1792 and Wakelin & Garrard produced very fine pieces until Garrard took sole control of the firm in 1802, being patronised by the Royal family. In 1843 Queen Victoria appointed Garrard as the first ever official Crown Jeweller, leading to the production of numerous pieces of silverware and jewellery for the Royal family, as well as the upkeep of the Crown Jewels.Height: 6.5 inches, 16.25 cm.Diameter at the bowl: 3.5 inches, 8.75 cm.Weight: 19oz, the pair.PRICE £ 6,950 THE PAIR.

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