MARY COOKE ANTIQUES LTD Fine Antique Silver

An extremely rare & important pair of George III Giner Jars made in London in 1811 by Samuel Hennell.

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Description

The Jars are most unusually copying the oriental porcelain jars which were imported into England from China. The main body has an unusual baluster form which is chased with beautiful trees in full bloom, as well as insects and butterflies and tulips. The base and neck display horizontal bands divided into panels containing flower heads and floral details. The stepped, domed, pull-off covers terminate in a stylised artichoke finial and are also chased with trailing foliage and insects. The quality of design is exceptional and both are in very crisp condition. The base and covers both display a clear set of hallmarks. It was the wealthiest of families who would have bought their ginger jars made of oriental porcelain from China, however the grandest individuals would have had them made in silver. Very few pairs are known to exist in silver, however they are contained within the collections of the Duke of Devonshire and Rutland, in addition to the Victoria & Albert Museum in London.

Height: 8.75 inches, 21.88cm.

Diameter, at the widest point of the main body: 4.5 inches, 11.25cm.

Weight: 29oz the pair.