

HESTER BATEMAN. A rare George III Octagonal Teapot and Stand made in London in 1787 by Hester Bateman.

Sold



## Description

The main body has an eight sided octagonal form and one of the panels is exceptionally finely engraved with a contemporary shield shaped Armorial, with tied ribbons above and crossed flowering branches below. The octagonal high domed cover terminates in a silver pineapple finial. The spout and fruitwood handle sockets are also eight sided, such is the attention to detail with this piece. The Teapot is fully marked on the base and with the maker's mark and sterling mark on the underside of the cover. It is most unusual to find a teapot with its original stand and this example has a raised reeded border and stands on four fluted scroll feet. The underside of the stand also possesses a full set of hallmarks, corresponding to those on the teapot. The Armorial and Crest are those of the Elers family of Chelsea, London, quartering those of Charon, also of Chelsea, impaling Farrow. They are those, therefore of Carew Elers Esq born in 1755 to George & Mary Elers, nee Charon. In 1788 he married Susanna, daughter and heiress of William Farrow of Monkseleigh and Cockfield, both in Suffolk. Carew succeeded his father in 1784 and died in 1821 and is buried in Chelsea. The Elers family were ancient nobility in Germany. The first Elers came to England when George I ascended the throne in 1714. The Charons were Huguenots who emigrated to this country in the late 17th century on the occasion of the revoking of the edict of Nantes. Carew Elers was succeeded by his eldest son, the Reverend Carew Thomas Elers BD, patron of Rishangles, Co. Suffolk and vicar of Bickenhill, Co. Warwick. Carew Thomas was born in 1790 and married, in 1821, Sarah, youngest daughter of Charles Palmer Esq of Coleshill, Co. Warwick. TEAPOT :Height: 6.4 inches.Length, handle to spout: 10.75 inches.Width: 3.9 inches.Weight: 16oz. TEAPOT STAND :Length: 7.55 inches.Width: 5.5 inches.Height: 0.9 inches.Weight: 6oz.