

A very rare Gorge III Hip Flask made in London in 1802 by Peter, Ann  
& William Bateman.

Sold



## Description

Hip Flasks are extremely rare from this early date, as they gain popularity during the Victorian period. This example is plain in design with a kidney shaped form. Most unusually, however, is that the base has a removable drinking cup, with finely gilded interior. The domed cover unscrews and can then be screwed back into the top to act as a stopper. The Hip Flask is in excellent condition, is of a very good gauge and weight, and is fully marked on the main body and the cup and with a second maker's mark on the body. Hip Flasks made by either Hester Bateman, or her family, are especially rare and seldom appear on the market.

Length: 6.6 inches, 16.5cm.

Width: 3.1 inches, 7.75 cm.

Weight: 10oz.