Pair of George III 4-light sterling silver candelabra

Thomas Pitts

£28,500



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Height: 430 mm (16.93")

Depth: 340 mm (13.39")

Weight: 5640 g

Description

Spectacular pair of George III heavy-gauge cast sterling silver candlesticks made by Frederick Vonham in 1762 with the addition of a pair of 3-light sterling silver arms by Thomas Pitts I in 1771.

The shaped, round bases feature borders of four shell motifs connected by a heavy gadroon detail, and they rise to fluted, knopped stems with further shell and gadroon decoration. The removable arm sections each have three arms with hallmarked capitals and a central urn with removable snuffer. Note that these silver candlesticks are not filled; the weight is entirely sterling silver.

The armorial bearings are those of Hoare impaling Robinson. They commemorate the marriage of Charles Hoare (born 25th August 1767 died 16th November 1851), of Luscombe in the County of Devon and of Fleet Street in the City of London and Frances Dorothea Robinson (born 26th August 1769 died 1853). Charles and Frances were married at the Parish Church of St Andrew, Cranford, near Kettering in the County of Northamptonshire on the 7th May 1790. Charles was the second son of Sir Richard Hoare, the 1st Baronet of Luscombe and his second wife,2 Frances Ann Acland, whilst Frances was the eldest daughter of Sir George Robinson, the 5th Baronet of (the City of) London and his wife, Dorothea Chester. There was no issue from their marriage.

Charles was a member of the eponymous banking family of Hoare. He became a Partner in the family's banking firm of C Hoare & Co in 1787. Charles was the driving force in the construction of a new banking hall in Fleet Street for the bank in 1829. He later became the bank's senior partner and, although the bank was not founded by Charles Hoare, it continues to bear his name.

In 1800 Charles commissioned John Nash to design Luscombe Castle near Dawlish, Devon for him as a rural retreat. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society in 1809.

This pair of Georgian silver candelabra is not available to purchase online. Please get in touch if you would like more information or are interested to buy them.

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