

AN EXTREMELY FINE GEORGE II ARMORIAL WINE/BEER JUG
MADE IN LONDON IN 1759 BY ROBERT ALBIN COX

Sold



Description

The Jug is of an attractive size and stands on a cast and applied spreading foot which is decorated with various reeded bands. The baluster shaped main body rises to a slender neck and the everted rim is decorated with an applied reeded band. This example has a cast and applied "Sparrow Beak" pouring spout, with pendant drop below and a beautiful scroll handle, decorated with leaf capping at the top. The Jug is in excellent condition, has a fine colour and is of a very good gauge of silver. The Jug is very well marked in the foot and displays original interior hammer marks from when it was originally raised. Robert Albin Cox was a fine maker who was apprentice to Humphrey Payne, who specialised in the production of mugs, tankards and beer jugs. He entered his first mark in 1752, with workshops in Fetter Lane, when this piece was made. Albin Cox had a long and successful career, as he was raised to the prestigious position of Prime Warden of the Goldsmiths Company. Although these pieces were originally used for wine and beer, they could be used to serve anything today and when not in use, it looks very attractive on a table.

The front of the main body is finely engraved with a contemporary Armorial surrounded by a Rococo shell, scroll and floral and foliate spray cartouche. The Arms of three garbs tied are those as used by the Comyn family of County York, impaling those of the Lovett family. In heraldic terms the impaled arms are those of three wolves passant in pale.

Height: 7.45 inches, 18.63cm.

Length, handle to spout: 7 inches, 17.5cm.

Weight: 24oz.