

THE DUKE OF HAMILTON. A very rare George III Mustard Pot made in London in 1774 by Robert Hennell.

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Description

The Mustard Pot is of a large Drum form. This example is decorated with beading at the base and on the rim and the sides are unusually pierced with both vertical and horizontal Neo-Gothic designs. The stepped domed cover is decorated with reeded bands and is also engraved with a contemporary Scottish Crest, with the Motto Through above, all issuing from the Coronet of a Duke. This piece has a pretty pierced fan shaped thumb piece and scroll handle, decorated with leaf capping. The Mustard Pot has a star cut blue glass liner and is in excellent condition. The base displays a full set of hallmarks and the cover is marked with the sterling mark.

The Crest, Motto and Coronet are those as used by Douglas Hamilton, 8th Duke of Hamilton and 5th Duke of Brandon KT (24th July 1756 - 2nd August 1799). The Duke of Hamilton is the premier Duke of Scotland and the 8th Duke was born at the Palace of Holyroodhouse, in Edinburgh, and was the son of the 6th Duke of Hamilton and his wife, the society beauty, Elizabeth Gunning. He attended Eton from 1763 to 1767 and on the death of his brother, in 1769, he succeeded to the title, as the 8th Duke of Hamilton. He also inherited his mothers title of Baron Hamilton of Hameldon, when she died in 1790. His seat was Hamilton Palace, now demolished, the largest Palace in Scotland. An image of the Palace is shown and a portrait of the Duke by Gavin Hamilton 1723-1798, is also shown.

Height: 3.25 inches.

Diameter: 2.75 inches.