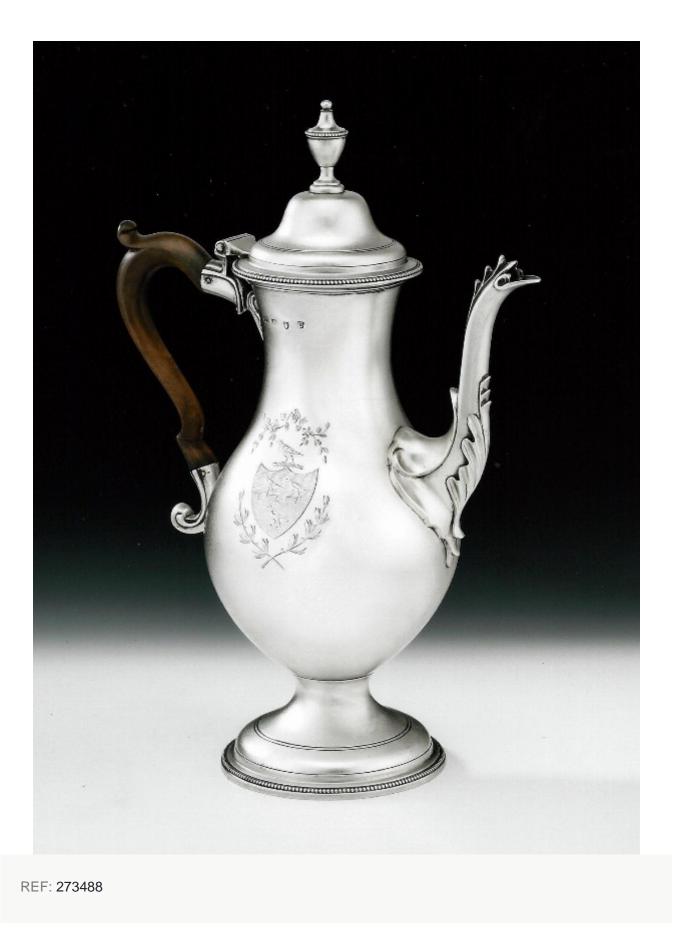
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HESTER BATEMAN. An extremely fine & rare George III Coffee Pot made in London in 1780 by Hester Bateman

£6,500

Hester Bateman



Description

This style of Coffee Pot is typical Hester Bateman and stands on a circular pedestal foot decorated with beading and reeded bands. The main body is baluster in form and rises to a slightly everted rim. The cast spout is beautifully shaped and decorated with leaf capping. The silver and fruitwood handle is attached to the main body with a shell and lozenge shaped moulding. The high domed cover is decorated with a reeded and a beaded band and terminates in a large Neo Classical beaded urn finial. The Coffee Pot is in excellent condition and is fully marked on the side of the main body and with the makers mark and sterling mark on the cover.

The front of the main body is engraved with a contemporary shield shaped Armorial, with a Crest above, surrounded by a crossed branch cartouche. The reverse is engraved with a set of contemporary script initials, which will relate to the family whose arms are engraved on the front. The Coffee Pot is in excellent condition, possibly the finest we have ever offered by Hester Bateman. A similar example can be seen on Plate III & IV of "Hester Bateman" by David Shure. As tea and coffee taking was a social tradition only enjoyed by the wealthy at this date, this would have been an important object of status for its original owner.

Height: 12 inches, 30cm. Length, spout to handle: 8.5 inches, 21.25cm. Weight: 29oz.