

Pair of rare urn-shaped crystal & sterling silver Champagne or wine coolers

£25,000

William Comyns



REF: 5086

Height: 280 mm (11.02")

Diameter: 270 mm (10.63")

Description

Pair of beautiful and rare antique crystal and silver-mounted wine coolers of urn-shaped Campana form. The crystal body is cut to resemble rock crystal and is decorated with scrolling tendrils of foliage and floral-work. The cast solid silver mounts have been intricately hand pierced and hand chased in fine detail - work that is almost impossible to recreate today.

As you see, like Winston Churchill, Pol Roger is our Champagne of choice. He often quoted the words of Napoleon, whose biography he had once hoped to write: "I cannot live without Champagne. In victory I deserve it; in defeat I need it."

And here's a tip:

Don't just fill the wine cooler with ice cubes to chill your favourite wines or Champagne. Fill with ice, then halfway up with water, before dropping in the bottle or bottles. If there's room for more water, add it. Adding water creates an icy bath that's in contact with the entire surface of the bottle. You're welcome!