

A HIGHLY IMPORTANT ROYAL CHRISTENING
CUP IN SILVER GILT

Dimensions: H: 14.5 in / 37 cm | W: 11.5 in / 29 cm | D: 6.5 in / 17 cm
Total weight approximately 71 troy oz. / 2,200 g

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by Thomas Heming, the Royal Goldsmith

Gifted by King George III in 1773

The leaf cast cover with a Royal Crown finial and laurel wreath rim, the urn being cast with Vitruvian scrolls and the Royal Crest, the Montagu coat of arms on the reverse, the handles with trailing bellflowers, on a lobed socle ending in a laurel garland circular foot and square base, inscribed on the interior rim of the cover 'This cup was given by His Majesty King George the 3rd (sic) to his godson The Hon. George Montagu Born ye 4th of Feb, Baptized ye 5th of March 1773.' The silver hallmarked for London 1771/2.
English, dated 1771/2

Literature:

Comparative Literature:

Roberts, Jane. George III & Queen Charlotte: Patronage, Collecting and Court Taste. London: Royal Collection, 2004, illustrating a second cup by Thomas Heming of the same design.