Chesterfield Wine Cooler

Acquisition of one of a pair of silver wine coolers, English, London, with maker's mark of Paul Crespin over striking that of Paul de Lamerie, 1727-8. Decorated with four plaquettes representing the seasons and engraved with the Royal Arms and cipher of George II. This wine cooler for a single bottle of wine (and its partner in the V and A Museum) formed part of the large quantity of silver issued by the Royal Jewel House to Philip Dormer Stanhope, 4th Earl of Chesterfield (1694-1772), for his embassy to the hague (1728-1832). Other acquired by National Museums of Scotland.

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