## Micro-Mosaic is a Big Brooch

An oval brooch, decorated the Doves of Pliny in micro mosaics, is one of the lots being sold by Charterhouse in their February two day online specialist auction of silver, jewellery and watches with antiques and interiors.

"The market remains strong for silver, jewellery and watches despite being in a national lockdown," commented Richard Bromell. "Collectors and dealers are always hungry for good lots such as this beautiful brooch. With bidding live online via the internet our auctions are easily accessible and this combined with our in-house post and packing service results in a swift and easy delivery service worldwide."

The oval brooch, which measures 5.5 cm wide originates from Italy circa 1905. Made of micro mosaic it features the Doves of Pliny made from tiny pieces of hardstone. The original Doves of Pliny image comes from a Roman floor mosaic discovered in 1737 at Hadrian's Villa in Tivoli, which in turn is believed to be a copy of a lost ancient Greek mosaic at Pergamon.





## The Edwardian Doves of Pliny micro-mosaic brooch being sold by Charterhouse

The brooch, being sold by a collector near Taunton, is in a gold mount having survived two world wars and numerous owners remaining in beautiful condition. In its original fitted box, retailed by Charles Frodsham in Bond Street, London, it is estimated by Charterhouse to sell for £600 - £800.

Charterhouse are now accepting entries for this auction silver, jewellery & watches on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and wine, port & whisky on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February, classic and vintage cars in April and classic and vintage motorcycles in May.

Items for these auctions can be posted directly to Charterhouse at The Long Street Salerooms, Sherborne **01935 812277** or click and deliver by contacting them on **01935 812277**. Alternatively email photographs of your lots for valuation on **info@charterhouse-auction.com**