## Eye, eye....

Two rare lover's eye miniatures are included in the hundreds of lots of jewellery, silver & watches in the Charterhouse auction on **2**<sup>nd</sup> **May in Sherborne**.

"Although they are super rare, it is a bit like London buses, you don't see any all day and then two come along at the same time!" commented Richard Bromell.

Lover's eye brooches first appeared in the late 18<sup>th</sup> century. The notion was that the eye would be recognisable only to the recipient and could, therefore, be worn publicly keeping the lover's identity a secret.



A rare lover's eye miniature in the Charterhouse auction

The eye miniatures come from a large collection of jewellery from a client near Bridgwater who took advantage of the Charterhouse home visit service for owners looking to enter their lots into an auction.

Charterhouse is now accepting further entries for their busy programme of specialist auctions including textiles, silver, jewellery, watches, classic cars, and classic motorcycles in May and June.

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