

Beckford's Tower – Fonthill Gardens Silent Auction



Lot 1

Exclusive private tour of the Fonthill House gardens and landscape with Lord Margadale & weeknight Bed & Breakfast at the Beckford Arms

Enjoy the atmosphere and comfort of the Beckford Arms with a weeknight stay and a hearty breakfast to set you up for exploring the stunning surrounding countryside. Lord Margadale will accompany you on an exclusive private tour around the Fonthill House gardens and landscape, revealing the fascinating history of the estate, and the work he and his family are doing to build on the legacy of previous generations of the Morrison family at Fonthill



Lot 2

First Edition - Delineations of Fonthill and its Abbey by John Rutter, 1823

[Valuation £200-400. Reserve/starting bid £100]

One of the most significant publications to record the architecture, interiors and collections of William Beckford's Fonthill Abbey. With stunning colour illustrations and a fold out map of the extent of the estate, this rare work was one of the key guidebooks to Fonthill produced during the period of 'Fonthill Fever' centred around the auction of the Abbey and its contents.



Lot 3

Taittinger Afternoon Tea for Two at The Royal Crescent Hotel & Exclusive private tour of No.1 Royal Crescent Museum, Bath

Relax in the beautiful surroundings of The Royal Crescent Hotel, sipping champagne and enjoying a delicious afternoon tea, before heading to the award-winning No.1 Royal Crescent for a private tour.

This exclusive visit offers the chance to explore the Museum when it is closed to the public. An expert Curator will be your guide to the house, its stories, collections and more recent starring roles on screen.



Lot 4

Limited Edition Clive Arrowsmith photograph Peter Gabriel on Solsbury Hill 1978 (1 of 35)

[Valuation £1,000. Reserve/Starting bid £200]

One of a series of images shot by celebrated international photographer Clive Arrowsmith of the musician in and around Bath during the early years of his post-Genesis career. This image is from a set of 8 showing Peter Gabriel climbing up Solsbury Hill, which lent its name to his classic 1977 track.



Lot 5

A Double Magnum of Taylors Special Wood Port - Vintage Character, in Harrods Wooden Box

Taylor's Port has a three-hundred-year tradition, and as one of the oldest of the founding Port houses, continues to focus solely on its port wines. By refining the very best methods of production they produce some of the best examples in existence. Don't miss this chance to acquire a double Magnum in its original Harrod's wood box.

How to bid

Fill in the amount you are bidding next to your chosen lot(s), then complete your contact details below.

Bidding ends at **5pm on Thursday 12 May**

Winners will be contacted by Monday 16th May.

You can also place your bid by emailing Amy Frost afrost@bptrust.org.uk

Make sure you include your contact details, lots number and amount you are bidding in your message.

Thank you for your support!

Lot No.	Description	Amount you are bidding
1	Tour of Fonthill Gardens with Lord Margadale and weeknight B&B at Beckford Arms	£
2	First edition – <i>Delineations of Fonthill and its Abbey</i> , John Rutter, 1823 [reserve £100]	£
3	Taittinger Afternoon Tea at Royal Crescent Hotel & Private tour of No.1 Royal Crescent	£
4	Limited Edition Clive Arrowsmith photograph of Peter Gabriel 1978	£
5	Double Magnum of Taylors Special Wood Port - Vintage Character, in Harrods Wooden Box	£

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All proceeds go towards the Beckford's Tower *Our Tower* project, to conserve Beckford's Tower in Bath, and to connect people with the buildings and landscape created by the writer, slave owner and collector William Beckford (1760-1840).

For more information visit

<https://beckfordstower.org.uk/our-tower-reconnecting-beckfords-tower-and-landscape-for-all/>

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