

CHRISTIE'S

Exceptional and Fine Sporting Guns and Rifles King Street, London – Thursday, 13 December 2006

[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

Sold: **£541,464** \$1,065,601 €801,908 Sale No: 7293
Lots Sold: 61 Lots Offered: 127 Sold by Lot: 48% Sold by \$: 50%
£1=US\$1.968 £1=€1.481

Lot	Price		Estimate	Buyer
130	£120,000	\$	€ £100,000 – 150,000	European Private
An exceptionally fine 12 bore single-trigger self-opening sidelock ejector pigeon gun by J. Purdey & Sons, no. 27128				
96	£42,000	\$	€ £35,000 – 50,000	US Private
An exceptional 20 bore single-trigger self-opening "royal" sidelock ejector gun by Holland & Holland, no. 40803 and extra set of barrels				
95	£42,000	\$	€ £35,000-50,000	US Private
An exceptional 12 bore single-trigger self-opening "royal" sidelock ejector gun by Holland & Holland, no. 40802 with an extra set of barrels				

Ian Andrews, specialist in charge of the sale:

Today's sale saw private buyers bidding competitively for the most exceptional sporting guns. The top lot was the impressive Purdey side-by-side shotgun with gold engraving which was commissioned by Anthony Minoudis in 1960 and took 13 years to complete. It was sold today to a private European buyer for £120,000, a record price for a single sporting gun sold at auction in the UK.

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