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Chieveley House, Berkshire and Five Private Collections Christie's London, 19 March 2020





The Collection of The Late Lord and Lady John Cholmondeley: A David Hicks Interior ©Ashley Hicks

Property From a Distinguished Private European Collection

London – Christie's London sale of *Chieveley House, Berkshire and Five Private Collections* on 19 March features a curated selection of works from six private collections from the UK and Europe. With interiors designed by the likes of David Hicks (*above left*), Maison Jansen and Colefax and Fowler and ranging from country houses to city apartments, the delectable trove of 301 lots span English and European furniture, ceramics and glass, silver, Modern British art, Old Master paintings and Chinese and Islamic works of art.

Chieveley House, Berkshire: The Property of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Stanley (lots 1-99)



Charles Cator, Deputy Chairman, Christie's International notes: "If anyone was asked to describe the perfect English manor house I am sure they would conjure up a house that looks almost exactly like Chieveley House, a perfectly proportioned Queen

Anne house. Its former owners Nicholas and Elodie Stanley, working with interior designer John McCall, devoted their considerable taste and energy to creating a magical and charming home for their family and friends." Highlights include a pair of George III ormolu-mounted fluorspar and marble corinthian columns, attributed to Matthew Boulton, *circa* 1770 (estimate: £20,000-30,000), along with quirky lots such as an English cream-

painted model of the George V facade of Buckingham Palace, first half 20th century (estimate: £1,000-2,000).

Works of Art from The Collection of The Late Professor Michael Jaffe (lots 214 - 266)



Born into a family of collectors Jaffe (1923-1997) was Director of the Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge from 1973-1990. Forward thinking, under his tenure the Fitzwilliam Museum Trust was established and he made touring exhibitions to the US and Japan possible, putting the Fitzwilliam and its collection on an international stage. His many students at Cambridge University included Nicholas Serota, the future Director of the Tate Gallery,

and the sculptor Antony Gormley. He was also responsible for major art historical discoveries including the identification of Van Dyck's

Antwerp Sketchbook at Chatsworth. Jaffe's academic reach was such that the October 1991 Burlington Magazine contained various tribute essays to him and his varied achievements in art history and museology. Highlights include a New Zealand Specimen native wood parquetry occasional table by Anton Seuffert, *circa* 1870 (estimate: £5,000-10,000) and a George IV mahogany and caned bergere *circa* 1820, in the manner of Gillows (estimate: £2,000-4,000).



The Collection of The Late Lord and Lady John Cholmondeley: A David Hicks Interior (lots 267-301)



Interior Designer, Ashley Hicks comments: "Twenty years ago the late, lovely Melissa Wyndham said to me 'You do know Cristina Cholmondeley lives in a sort of David Hicks museum, don't you?' so I went to have a look and sure enough, absolutely nothing had changed since 1965 when my father created this wonderfully stylish duplex apartment overlooking Hyde Park. It was a little faded here and there, but the rooms were exactly as photographed for French style bible L'Oeil 35 years before. Cristina had sold a big Hockney to pay for a new Hicks carpet, the old one having worn out, but kept everything else. I went back there last year and took some final photographs of the place, picturesquely faded, but still ineffably

chic after 54 years." Highlights include *Structure* by *Peter Struycken* (estimate: £1,000-1,500) and an upholstered hall-seat by David Hicks, *circa* 1965, reupholstered to the original scheme, offered together with a square low table (estimate: £2,000-3,000).



Further highlights from **The Collection of Baroness Carmen Thyssen-Bornemisza** (lots 100-123); **Property From a Distinguished Private European Collection** (lots 124-198) and **Property From a Hampstead Private**

Collection (lots 199-213) include:



Lot 139
A pair of Chinese turquoise glazed Buddhist lions 18th/19th century Estimate: £6,000-10,000



Lot 149
A French ormolu and glass low table by Maison Jansen, *circa* 1970
Estimate: £3,000-5,000



Estimate: £2,000-3,000



Lot 101
A Chinese
cloisonné
enamel tripod
censer, a cover,
and a bronze
stand
19th century
Estimate:
£15,000-20,000



Lot 202
A pair of large
Japanese Imari
porcelain jars and
overs, fitted as lamps
The porcelain Edo
period (late 17th
century)
Estimate: £3,0005,000



Lot 200 A pair of George III giltwood armchairs *circa* 1775 Estimate: £2,500-4,000

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