

# The RAF Club 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Auction conducted by the London YIG's

## The Auction

## Welcome to our Auction.

The auction will be conducted by the London YIG's.

We thank those who have been so generous in giving items to be auctioned this evening, including:

Donough Cahill at IGS Dublin, Peter Sheppard, Ron Porter, Fabian Richter, Benedict Ryan, Tim Buxton, Robert Jennings, Oisin Maguire, Headfort School, David Watchorn, The Marrion Hotel Dublin, Ballyfin Hotel, Cashel Palace Hotel.

- Irish Georgians London

#### A Private tour of 24 Queen Anne's Gate for six, with Champagne!

After restoring Medieval Hales Hall in South Norfolk and Palladian Wolterton Park in North Norfolk which both won numerous prizes including Best Restoration of a Georgian Country House from the Georgian Group, Peter Sheppard and Keith Day returned to London. They bought 24 Queen Anne's Gate overlooking St James's Park which had been offices and set about restoring the house. They stripped out the 1980s office interior and have returned the house to its Georgian roots as a large comfortable family home. They are inviting six people for a tour with a glass of champagne.

By mutual agreement - To take place after June 2026

Offered by Peter Sheppard

#### Lot 2

#### Dinner for two at the Farmers Club

A champagne reception and a four-course dinner for two. With wines, coffee, port and petit fours. At the Farmers Club. Date and time by mutual agreement.

Offered by Ron Porter



#### Lot 3

### A Fortnum and Mason Twelve days of Christmas Hamper

This Deluxe hamper contains the following: Fortnum's Brut Reserve Champagne NV, Louis Roederer, Fortnum's Dão Tinto, Niepoort, Cranberry Sauce, 230g, Christmas Fig Preserve, Christmas Cognac Butter, Christmas Merrilossus Biscuits, Christmas Biscuit Selection, Christmas Tea Biscuits, Chocolate Gold Coins, Christmas Black Tea Tin, 30 Silky Tea Bags, Christmas Blend Ground Coffee, St. James Christmas Pudding, Boxing Day Pickle, Large Wicker Basket

The cherry on the cake of any Christmas day!

Offered by Robert Jennings



#### The Liberator Irish Whiskey

- The Liberator Small Batch Double Port Finish
- The Liberator Irish Malt in Tawny Port Finish

A bottle each of two small batch whiskeys from the Lakeview Estate in Killarney, Co. Kerry, home of descendants of Daniel O'Connell.

Offered by Tim Buxton



#### Lot 5

#### Private chef for a party of up to 12

Recent endeavours include autumnal Italian themes: stuffed pastas, mushroom risottos, and braised meat, to warm and comfort the soul.

Versatile across cuisines and always interested in trying something new, Oisin will work with you to plan and deliver a feast for up to 12 people, considering your taste and dietary requirements.

With pots and pans in his good care, you can focus on entertaining.



Equipment and ingredients not included - planning and cooking services only. Date to be arranged by mutual agreement.

Offered by YIG Oisin Maguire

#### Lot 6

#### Afternoon tea with champagne for two

Luxury afternoon tea with champagne for two in the fully candle-lit 1790's dining room of a London Georgian townhouse that was awarded a restoration prize by the Georgian Group and had a working group visit from professionals at the National Trust. The house still has its original late 18th century design wallpaper and boasts an important historical Irish connection: It was the home of Dublin-born Royal Naval surgeon Barry O'Meara who became Napoleon Bonaparte's doctor in exile on St. Helena. A first edition of Barry O'Mearas memoirs can be viewed in the house and guests can have a guided tour before tea. And should they require additional tea (or champagne) during their visit, they just need to ring the fully working servant bells!

Offered by Fabian Ritcher

### A Gilding Tutorial for up to 5 people with wine

YIG Benedict Ryan runs an interior restoration business restoring some of the country's finest historic interiors. His projects include the likes of Buckingham Palace, The Brompton Oratory, The Natural History Museum and many more.

Benedict has been responsible for many large and small gilding projects and for this lot, offers a tutorial including a presentation about gilding, its history and uses, demonstrations and a chance for each person to have a go.



This includes all materials and 23ct gold leaf. Each person will by the end have gilded an object to take home. Location and date to be agreed. A fantastic addition to a small drinks party.

Offered by YIG Benedict Ryan

#### Lot 8

#### 1oz silver bullion coin

A 999 Fine Silver collectors coin depicting Britannia

Offered by YIG David Watchorn



#### Lot 9

#### A Private Tour of Headfort School, Co. Meath

Headfort School, a stunning example of Irish country house architecture, located near Kells, County Meath, boasting some exquisite interiors by famed architect Robert Adam, offers:

Tour of the ballroom, hall and green room, tea/coffee with the Head and a walk around the garden at Headfort Court. In 2008 to celebrate its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the IGS restored the extraordinary Robert Adam designed Eating Parlor in Headfort.



Date to be arranged by mutual agreement, a light lunch may be included.

Offered by Headfort School

#### Books from the IGS bookshop

A selection of books from the Irish Georgian Society bookshop valued at €100

- Portrait Miniatures and the Irish Country House: the Edmund Corrigan Collection, Kevin V. Mulligan (IGS, 2024)
- Rich Specimens of Architectural Beauty: John Preston Neale's Irish Country Houses, Kevin V. Mulligan (Churchill House Press, 2020)
- Artists and Pirates Satirical Prints in Georgian London and Dublin, edited by Silvia Beltrametti and William Laffan (Churchill House Press, 2025)

#### Lot 11

#### Lambay Whiskey Small Batch Blend

Lambay Island Whiskey is a collaboration between Camus and the Baring Revelstoke Trust and is inspired by and named after the island of Lambay, a private wildlife sanctuary off the coast of north Dublin that has been owned by the Baring Family since 1904. Only the finest triple distilled whiskey distillates have been hand-selected to perfect Lambay Whiskey Small Batch Blend. A blend of malted barley and grain whiskey, is triple distilled, matured in bourbon barrels with a pleasant cognac cask finish. Lambay Island's Trinity Well water is also used to craft this Irish whiskey making it as unique as the island itself.



Offered by Millie Baring

#### Lot 12

#### Ballyfin Demesne, Co. Laois

Two-night midweek stay for two people in a Deluxe Room. Ballyfin was built in the 1820s for Sir Charles Coote to the designs of the great Irish architects Sir Richard and William Morrison. Set at the foot of the Slieve Bloom Mountains in the centre of Ireland, it is a place of history, romance, tranquility and great natural beauty.

The voucher, with a value of €3,670 will entitle the bearer to a two-night stay for two people in a State Room. The stay is inclusive of lunch, teas/coffees,



cakes & cookies, a pre-dinner drink per guest, gourmet dinner each evening, bedroom soft drinks minibar, full Irish breakfast. The voucher is non-transferable and valid until 21st November 2026. All bookings subject to availability. Excludes all dates between Christmas & New Year unless monetary value applies. Other terms listed on the voucher also apply.

#### The Merrion Hotel, Dublin

Two nights accommodation for two people in a Standard Queen Room in the Garden Wing The Merrion Hotel, located in the heart of Georgian Dublin, is the capital's most luxurious five-star hotel and is situated within a few minutes' walk of galleries, museums, pubs, restaurants and the shops of Grafton Street. The Main House comprises four magnificent Georgian townhouses dating from the 1760s that have been impeccably restored and furnished and which overlook landscaped gardens.



This voucher, with a value of c. €1,100, entitles the bearer to two nights accommodation for two people in a Standard Queen Room in the Garden Wing with full Irish breakfast each morning. It is valid until 30<sup>th</sup> November 2027 though not valid on Friday or Saturday nights during the months May-September inclusive, on rugby weekends or the month of December. Other terms listed on the voucher also apply.

#### Lot 14

#### Cashel Place Hotel, Cashel, Co. Tipperary

Two night stay for two guests in a Main House Classic Room.

Cashel Palace was built c. 1732 to the designs of the eminent architect Sir Edward Lovett Pearce for Archbishop Theophilus Bolton. Palladian in style, it retains many of its original details including a wonderful entrance hall and staircase. Standing in 25 acres, it is picturesquely situated at the foot of the Rock of Cashel.



The voucher, with a value of €800-€900, entitles the bearer to a Two Nights Bed & Breakfast Stay for two in a Main House Deluxe Room. It is valid until 27.11.26 and it is redeemable, subject to availability, excluding Saturday nights, Bank Holiday Weekends and Holiday Periods. Other terms listed on the voucher also apply.