

Lockdales' Auction #285 Report: The Fine Sale (jewellery, watches, silver): 11-12 Feb. 2025

Total prices realised: £348,693 (incl. prem.)

A stunning auction! 771 lots offered with a 95% success rate. A total result above top estimate. With the gold price flying this helped several sections, but there were definite trends beyond precious metal markets. Again – animal themes, opals, gypsy settings and signets are red hot. Designer names, even costume pieces are sought-after. Much of the material offered was antique or vintage gathered from our roadshows and thus attracted extra interest. Highlights included a 3ct cushion-cut solitaire at £3200; a mens gold coat-of-arms signet ring at £700; and a Trollbeads bracelet at £1800 (in at £200-£300).

The Wristwatches followed, and included many fine and vintage pieces. Notably a 1950s 10ct LeCoultre World Timer made £1900 (top £1000); a Vacheron Constantin minimalist dress watch £3200 (£1000-£1500); and a 1983 Rolex black GMT-Master went for £9000.

The Pocket Watches were stronger than ever, with gold-cased going £1000 or more above top est. in many cases. Watch chains were likewise popular. Some Clocks were sold including a James McCabe bracket fusee for £1150.

The Silver section brought many surprises also. A couple of finely enamelled vesta cases of Punch Magazine and hunting interest sold for £800 and £750.

Our next Fine Sale of jewellery, watches and silver will take place 29-30 April 2025, with consignment until 28th March. We look forward to hearing from you, and hope you are encouraged by the tremendous market in this area.



Lot 82: 18ct gold diamond solitaire, cushion old cut 3ct. Est. £2000-£3000. Hammer £3200.



Lot 551: Rolex Oyster Perpetual GMT-Master stainless steel 1983. Est. £6000-£8000. Hammer £9000.