

## Pewter



Pair of Liberty Tudric pewter twin light candelabra, model No. 0530, designed by Archibald Knox. World record. Calder Valley Auctioneers, Halifax. Jun 02. HP: £4,400. ABP: £5,175.



Archibald Knox tudric pewter tea and coffee set, No. 0231, turquoise enamel mounts and caned handles, rounded oblong tray, raised handles, 19.5in wide. (6) Andrew Hartley, Ilkley. Oct 04. HP: £2,800. ABP: £3,293.



Liberty Tudric pewter four branch candelabrum designed by Archibald Knox, c1905, cast with stylised leaves, pierced base, model No. 0530, 28cm. *Sworders, Stansted Mountfitchet. Apr 05. HP: £2,500. ABP: £2,940.*



WMF silvered pewter figurural table centre, kneeling fairy figure over wavy edged glass liner, number 440 ACC 1906. *Cotswold Auction Co, Cheltenham. Mar 08. HP: £2,100. ABP: £2,470.*



Pewter baluster measure, 18/19thC, domed cover engraved 'WB AG', 23cm high. *Sworders, Stansted Mountfitchet. Nov 04. HP: £900. ABP: £1,058.*



Pair of large Liberty Tudric pewter vases stylized foliage design by Archibald Knox, stamped Tudric 0927 28.5cm. *Wellers, Chertsey. Jun 09. HP: £800. ABP: £941.*



Liberty Tudric pewter and enamel cigar box, c1905, square shape, cover inset with an enamel landscape panel, sides with repoussé stylised flower heads, model No. 0236, 17.5cm. *Sworders, Stansted Mountfitchet. Apr 05. HP: £680. ABP: £799.*



Liberty & Co pewter water jug by Archibald Knox, mildly domed lid, caned loop handle, base moulded with swirling foliage and applied with turquoise cabochons, stamped English pewter No. 0307, 8.25in high. *Andrew Hartley, Ilkley, W Yorks. Feb 06. HP: £650. ABP: £764.*



Archibald Knox for Liberty & Co, Tudric pewter part tea set, water jug, 9in high, cream jug and sugar basin, stamped Tudric Pewter 0231. *Andrew Hartley, Ilkley. Oct 03. HP: £580. ABP: £682.*



Archibald Knox designed swan design pewter preserve dish, green glass liner, matching preserve spoon, 0350, 6.5in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Mar 01. HP: £550. ABP: £646.*



Liberty & Co, Tudric pewter tray designed by Archibald Knox, c1900, model 0376, stamped to rear, 'Tudric 0376', 48.5cm. *Wellers Auctioneers, Chertsey. Jun 09. HP: £550. ABP: £646.*



Queen Anne pewter Cardinals hat charger; punched decorated inner well, presented to Christopher Urswyke of Malmesbury AD 1707, 14.5in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Apr 08. HP: £520. ABP: £611.*



Set of eight 17th/18thC Continental graduated lidded pewter jugs. *Denhams, Warnham. Aug 03. HP: £500. ABP: £588.*

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Archibald Knox for Liberty, pewter dish inset with blue green enamel panel (def) and with repoussé foliate design. *Great Western Auctions, Glasgow. Mar 08. HP: £500. ABP: £588.*



WMF Art Nouveau pewter vase, twin handled, decorated with sinuous maidens in flowing robes, with whiplash handles, lacking liner, 14.5in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Sep 07. HP: £440. ABP: £517.*

# The Pewter Market

Probably the most highly priced single item of pewter to be sold at auction in recent years was a rare and important Charles II broad rimmed commemorative charger, which sold at Sotheby's in 1994 for £15,600 including premium. Just last year a set of six Charles I pewter chargers, engraved with the arms of Sir Francis Wyndham and his wife Anne, fetched £11,200 at Dukes in Dorchester. WMF is not that far behind. Founded in 1880 by the merger of two existing German companies, the Württembergische metalwarefabrik was, around 1900, the world's largest producer and exporter of household metalware, mainly in the Jugendstil (art nouveau) style. The Company's trademark was an ostrich. Also in 2004 at Sotheby's a pair of WMF figural vases of very large size at 61cms fetched £10,560 and an art nouveau champagne bucket £9,000. Finally in the same sale a WMF art nouveau easel mirror made £8,160. The most I have seen paid for an early candlestick was a Stuart example with an octagonal base which sold for £7,500 in 2007. From about £6,500 down to say £3,500 the market is dominated by Archibald Knox, for Liberty & Co. and in particular, Tudric timepieces, although to be fair, early pewter can also be found in this price range. A mid seventeenth century lidded flagon fetched £6,600 at Sworders in Essex in 2004 and last year Wellers in Surrey sold two eighteenth century befeater flagons with lion passant and leopard's head marks to lids for £5,200. Finally, just a few months ago Wilkinsons in Doncaster sold three good eighteenth century tankards with double domed lids for £4,200.

This traditional area of collecting, at least at the top end is not so much elitist as rather more the reserve of the aesthete, those who perhaps consider that they possess an appreciation of the beautiful in accordance with the principles of good taste. For example such taste would consider that old pewter displays better on, say a Welsh dresser than the more common or garden early blue and white. Like wood pewter develops over time a patina, it blends in with its surroundings and sits unpretentiously within the well-worn interior. It goes well with the antique period pile of brick or stone. And why not? Only a few of us can aspire to a home of such proportions and dignity or to the rare and early pewter which sits comfortably amongst the furniture in a time warp of measured indulgence.

Here I have selected about a 100 examples of pewter sales from the last several years. These range from about £5,000 down to just under a £100. Over 40% are Liberty - that's the market - with a good showing of WMF and other Continental art nouveau pewter. Almost two thirds are of twentieth century origin, the remainder being pewter from the seventeenth to the nineteenth centuries. This is led by the baluster measure at 5 and just over a £1,000 to an unusual and underpriced chamber pot at 64. There is also a low price for the two eighteenth century chalices at 94 and only £105. These must have faults or repairs although there is no mention in the description. The chalice on the left would appear to be early eighteenth and the other will date to the mid eighteenth century. Within their price ranges readers should note graduated measures are popular and always do well, as do jelly moulds, two very displayable areas of collecting for the kitchen.



Pair of Liberty Tudric pewter vases designed by Archibald Knox, floral form, model No. 029, 25cm. *Sworders, Stansted Mountfitchet. Apr 05. HP: £440. ABP: £517.*



Matched set of four dished pewter chargers, stamped A. Crawley to reverse, each 16.5in dia. (4). *Diamond Mills & Co, Felixstowe. Mar 06. HP: £420. ABP: £494.*



Liberty Tudric pewter rose bowl, designed by Oliver Baker for Liberty, c1902-1905, model No. 01029, hammered finish, five feet, 27cm. *Sworders, Stansted Mountfitchet. Apr 05. HP: £400. ABP: £470.*



Liberty & Co Tudric pewter two handled bowl, manner of Archibald Knox, tapered circular form decorated with a band of stylised honesty flowers, base stamped No. 0229. *Gorringes, Lewes. Jun 05. HP: £400. ABP: £470.*



Liberty & Co Tudric pewter and enamel basket, designed by Archibald Knox, 9.5in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Apr 08. HP: £400. ABP: £470.*



Liberty and Co. English Pewter tea tray, manner of Archibald Knox, 19.5in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Jan 05. HP: £340. ABP: £399.*



Pewter Art Déco Tudric box with lid, square/circle pattern on box, stamped 'Tudric', 0194 & 8' plus maker's mark, approx 4.5 x 4.5in. *A F Brock & Co Ltd, Stockport. Feb 07. HP: £330. ABP: £388.*



Archibald Knox for Liberty & Co, Tudric pewter jardiniere, 3.5in high, marked Tudric 0527. *Andrew Hartley, Ilkley. Oct 03. HP: £320. ABP: £376.*



Pewter trumpet candlestick, tapered stem, turned circular base, possibly 17thC, 7.5in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Jan 05. HP: £320. ABP: £376.*



WMF pewter dish, shaped oval form, surmounted with an Art Nouveau maiden, moulded with flowers and lily pads, 10in wide, No 229. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Oct 07. HP: £320. ABP: £376.*



Liberty & Co Art Nouveau pewter vase, designed by Archibald Knox, tapering form, moulded with stylised leaves, tripod base, design number 0927, stamped, 11.5in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Jul 09. HP: £320. ABP: £376.*



Knox Liberty & Co pewter ink well, glass liner, imp'd No. 0653. *John Taylors, Louth. Jan 04. HP: £310. ABP: £364.*



Scottish pewter tappit hen measure, shouldered body with deep collar and domed knopped lid, strap handle with ridged erect thumbpiece, ownership initials to right of handle, 18thC, 12in overall. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Dec 07. HP: £310. ABP: £364.*



Pair of Art Nouveau WMF pewter jugs, slender body cast with stylized foliage, angular handle/spout, imp'd factory mark, 37.5cm high. *Rosebery's, London. Mar 05. HP: £300. ABP: £352.*



Large Dutch pewter flagon, mildly tapering neck, domed lid, thumb piece cast with mask, touch marks to base, 18thC, 11.75in high. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Oct 07. HP: £300. ABP: £352.*



Liberty tudric pewter preserve jar/cover, designed by Archibald Knox, No. 0193, 4in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Feb 09. HP: £300. ABP: £352.*



Liberty & Co pewter chamberstick, manner of Archibald Knox, No. 0523, 7in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Feb 09. HP: £300. ABP: £352.*



Liberty & Co 3 piece pewter teaset, honesty seed decoration after design by Archibald Knox, No. 0231, struck marks 'Made by Liberty & Co'. *Sworders, Stansted Mountfitchet. Nov 04. HP: £280. ABP: £329.*



Pair of Art Nouveau pewter candlesticks, 7in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Apr 04. HP: £280. ABP: £329.*



Oval pewter tray by Margaret Gilmour, butterfly design and monogrammed. *Great Western Auctions, Glasgow. Feb 07. HP: £280. ABP: £329.*



Set of six pewter plates, plain edge form, ownership initials WI to front, touch marks for Arthur Wharton, York, 9in wide. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Aug 08. HP: £280. ABP: £329.*



Pair of Scottish Art Nouveau pewter vases, foliate decoration, each one stamped Smith Aberdeen, 7.5in. *Gorringes, Lewes. May 09. HP: £280. ABP: £329.*



WMF Art Nouveau pewter dish in the form of a girl and a peacock, outstretched feathers forming the dish, 21.5 x 10.5cm. *Wellers Auctioneers, Chertsey. Jun 09. HP: £280. ABP: £329.*



Art Nouveau WMF pewter dish modelled with a maiden with flowing hair and dress, flanked by orchids, 12in wide. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Dec 06. HP: £260. ABP: £305.*



WMF pewter bon-bon dish with berry decoration, handle as a winged maiden. *Wellers, Chertsey. Jun 09. HP: £260. ABP: £305.*



Art Nouveau English pewter dished plate, shaped circular form, central copper tablet, embossed stylised flower heads and tendrils, stamped ENGLISH PEWTER 004, 10in dia. *Diamond Mills & Co, Felixstowe. Dec 04. HP: £250. ABP: £294.*



Matched pair of Art Nouveau Kayserzinn pewter ewers, possibly designed by Hugo Leven, c1900, decorated with stylised trailing hop and leaf design, stamped factory mark 'Kayserzinn' and '4658' to underside, 38cm high. (2) *Rosebery's, London. Mar 08. HP: £250. ABP: £294.*

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Liberty & Co. Tudric polished pewter tray designed by Archibald Knox c1900, model 0309, stamped to rear: 'Tudric 0309, Made in England, Solkets', 46cm. *Wellers Auctioneers, Chertsey. Jun 09. HP: £250. ABP: £294.*



Liberty & Co Tudric pewter and enamel vase, with three angular handles, No. 0167, 7.25in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Jul 08. HP: £240. ABP: £282.*



Liberty's Tudric pewter charger, rim applied with seven mother of pearl hearts in leafy frames, reverse imp'd TUDRIC 0113, 13in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Apr 03. HP: £220. ABP: £258.*



WMF pewter dog modelled as a dachshund raised on his back legs, 9.25in high. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Dec 06. HP: £220. ABP: £258.*



Two pewter measures, half pint and gill capacity, baluster bodies with incised lines, domed lid with thumb piece, scroll handle and spreading foot, touchmarks to rim, 19thC, 3.75in and 4.5in high. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Feb 07. HP: £220. ABP: £258.*



Tudric pewter for Liberty's 3 piece pewter coffee service on tray. *Great Western Auctions, Glasgow. Mar 08. HP: £220. ABP: £258.*



Tudric pewter novelty 'owl' bowl, No. 56, decorated with 3 owls in relief, green glass eyes, 7.25in dia. *Gorringes, Lewes. Jun 03. HP: £210. ABP: £247.*



Irish pewter noggin measure, typical haystack form, by Austen & Son Cork, touchmark to base, capacity verification marks to rim, 3.625in high. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Feb 08. HP: £210. ABP: £247.*



19thC pewter tappet hen of waisted cylindrical shape, domed lid with thumb piece, bearing London touchmarks, 27cm. *Cheffins, Cambridge. Dec 00. HP: £200. ABP: £235.*



Liberty's Tudric pewter vase decorated with four green enamel heart shape motifs, (one damaged) 0251, 7.5in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Mar 01. HP: £200. ABP: £235.*



Set of five pewter Imperial haystack measures. (Cork touchmarks) *Richard Wintertons, Burton on Trent. Sep 02. HP: £200. ABP: £235.*



Pair of Continental Art Nouveau pewter vases, each ovoid body decorated in relief with water lilies, stamped 'JUVENTA PRIMA METAL', 14.in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Jul 03. HP: £200. ABP: £235.*

Images are in descending hammer price order. The price range is indicated at the start of each section.



Set of four early 20thC Tudric pewter tankards, spot hammered bodies, sinuous handles, impressed marks and No. 066, 4.25in high. (4). *Diamond Mills & Co, Felixstowe. Dec 04. HP: £200. ABP: £235.*



Liberty Tudric pewter lugged vase, c1900, cast with stylized trees above the motto 'For Old Times Sake' within two handles, model No. 010, 20cm. *Sworders, Stansted Mountfitchet. Apr 05. HP: £200. ABP: £235.*



Pewter tappit hen measure, Scottish pre imperial chopin capacity, the body with ring turning and the lid engraved with ownership initials, 9in high. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Jun 07. HP: £200. ABP: £235.*



Art Nouveau Tudric pewter fruit bowl with stylised leaf and swirled decoration, three looped feet, impressed Tudric 0230, 31cm. *Reeman Dansie, Colchester. Apr 06. HP: £200. ABP: £235.*



Pewter candlestick stamped 'Tudric, pewter 0223' retailed for Liberty c1905, designed by Archibald Knox, bullet form with 3 fins terminating on a swirl moulded base, 23cm high. *Halls Fine Art, Shrewsbury. Jul 08. HP: £200. ABP: £235.*



Art Nouveau Tudric circular pewter bowl, stylised floral decoration, edge marked The Woodbine Spices are Wafted Abroad and the Musk of the Rose is Blown, (base bent and some corrosion), base marked Tudric 110, 10in. *Denhams, Warmham. Mar 06. HP: £185. ABP: £217.*



Pair of Liberty English pewter candlesticks, circular tapered bases decorated with three turquoise enamel insets, stamped 0259, 6in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Sep 04. HP: £180. ABP: £211.*



Tudric pewter vase, decorated with geometric stylized floral forms, applied Ruskin type green/blue glazed tiles, 10 x 11 x 10.5cm. *Locke & England, Leamington Spa. Sep 05. HP: £180. ABP: £211.*



Liberty English pewter bowl and cover, No. 0293, 8in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Jun 06. HP: £180. ABP: £211.*



Pewter chamber pot, scroll over rim, scrolled loop handle, incised line banding and moulded base, late 18th/19thC, 10.5in wide. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Jun 07. HP: £180. ABP: £211.*



Liberty & Co pewter charger, dish centre embossed with a stylised tulip, rim with stylised leaves, 12.75in wide, moulded mark and No. 0206. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Jun 09. HP: £180. ABP: £211.*



Art Nouveau style pewter figure, young maiden with her hair 'en chignon', her flowing dress forming a dish at its base, 7in high. *Fellows & Sons, Birmingham. Oct 03. HP: £170. ABP: £199.*



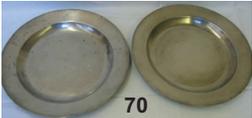
French pewter wine jug, domed lid, scroll loop handle, moulded base, early 19thC, 10.25in high. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Jun 07. HP: £160. ABP: £188.*



Archibald Knox for Liberty & Co. English pewter teapot and hot water pot, c1910, wicker handles, Art Nouveau decoration, No. 0231, 8.5in & 4in, af. *Gorringes, Lewes. Oct 08. HP: £160. ABP: £188.*



69  
Set of three Glasgow pewter measures, baluster form with domed lids, shell thumbpiece and scrolled loop handle, a gill, a half pint and a pint, 19thC. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Jun 07. HP: £150. ABP: £176.*



70  
Pair of George III pewter chargers, plain rim form with ownership initials TWE, hallmarks and touch of Thomas Swanson, London, 15in wide. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Aug 08. HP: £150. ABP: £176.*



71  
Victorian pewter quart ice cream mould in 3 sections, domed lid cast with fruit, 6.5in dia, 4.5in high. *Canterbury Auction Galleries, Kent. Mar 05. HP: £140. ABP: £164.*



72  
Art Nouveau circular pewter inkwell, hinged lid, green enamelled decoration, base marked Tudric 06530, 4in. *Denhams, Warnham. May 06. HP: £140. ABP: £164.*



73  
Pewter jelly/ice cream mould, lid with loop handle and moulded rim, marks for William Scott Edinburgh, 5in high. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Dec 07. HP: £140. ABP: £164.*



74  
WMF plated pewter compot, form, moulded and pierced with ivy and fruiting tendrils, on spreading foot, 9.75in high. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Feb 08. HP: £140. ABP: £164.*



75  
WMF pewter figural candelabra base, early 20thC, as a stylised maiden holding aloft a foliate base, (missing four branch floral spray), factory marks to underside, 32cm. (af) *Rosebery's, London. Mar 08. HP: £140. ABP: £164.*



76  
19thC pewter urn on stand of globular form. *Tring Market Auctions, Herts. Oct 04. HP: £130. ABP: £152.*



77  
George III oval pewter dish, by maker Richard King Jr of London, engraved crest to front rim, 17in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Jul 03. HP: £130. ABP: £152.*



78  
Pair of pewter narrow rim plates, 8.25in and one other, 9.5in, probably early 18thC. *Gorringes, Bexhill. Mar 02. HP: £130. ABP: £152.*



79  
Victorian pewter circular one third pint ice cream mould in three sections, domed lid cast with fruit, 6.5in dia, 4.5in high. *Canterbury Auction Galleries, Kent. Mar 05. HP: £130. ABP: £152.*



80  
Liberty pewter and enamel dish modelled with clover leaves, imp'd 0287. *Wellers Auctioneers, Chertsey. Jun 09. HP: £130. ABP: £152.*



81  
Tudric pewter vase by Liberty & Co, inset with hardstone mounts, (lacking 2) pinched waist with 3 double ring handles, base stamped '038', 18cm high. *Bellmans, Wisborough Green. Aug 09. HP: £130. ABP: £152.*



82  
Liberty's 'Tudric' pewter chamber stick designed by Archibald Knox, No. 0523, shaped circular form cast in low relief with stylised foliage, stamped marks, 17cm long. *Cheffins, Cambridge. Apr 05. HP: £110. ABP: £129.*



83  
Pewter lidded ewer and a bowl, 18th/19thC, ewer 24cm, bowl 33cm. *Sworders, Stansted Mountfitchet. Apr 06. HP: £110. ABP: £129.*



84  
Art Nouveau pewter tray by Hutton, Sheffield, oval form with inset loop handles, spot hammered and moulded with entwined motif, 19in wide. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Dec 06. HP: £110. ABP: £129.*



85  
Victorian pewter jelly mould, domed top moulded with fruit within gadrooned border, 6.5in wide, 1.5 pint capacity. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Dec 07. HP: £110. ABP: £129.*



86  
Pair of Georgian pewter plates, moulded shaped rim, 11in wide, London touchmarks, 18thC. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Oct 08. HP: £110. ABP: £129.*



87  
Embossed WMF style pewter pin tray decorated with a maiden, 9in. *Denhams, Warnham, Sussex. Mar 05. HP: £100. ABP: £117.*



88  
Victorian pewter desk stand, double hinged top revealing pen box to one side and ink pot and nib trays to other, on turned feet, stamped Grove, 8.25in wide. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Dec 07. HP: £100. ABP: £117.*



89  
Four various pewter plates, pentagonal wavy edged form, 18thC, 9in wide. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Aug 08. HP: £100. ABP: £117.*

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90  
Orivit Art Nouveau pewter vase, manner of WMF, moulded with female figure and poppies, back engraved AW 1892-1902, 15.25in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Mar 09. HP: £100. ABP: £117.*



91  
Liberty pewter handle tray designed by Archibald Knox, stylized decoration of leaves. *Wellers, Chertsey. Jun 09. HP: £100. ABP: £117.*



92  
Pair of early 19thC pewter twin handled mugs, of pint capacity, tuck-in feet, with a row of hallmarks to rim, 6in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Jun 03. HP: £95. ABP: £111.*



93  
Tudric style pewter flagon, 0958, 5in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Jun 00. HP: £90. ABP: £105.*



94  
Two 18thC pewter chalices, one on domed stepped foot and one on waisted knopped trumpet foot, possibly Irish, 7.5in & 7in. *Gorringes, Lewes. Jul 03. HP: £90. ABP: £105.*



95  
Pair of Dutch art deco pewter book ends, modelled as rabbits, stamped Gero, 4.5in high. *Hartleys, Ilkley. Oct 07. HP: £90. ABP: £105.*



96  
Orivit Art Nouveau pewter plaque, c1905, with whiplash and foliate decoration, struck Orivit 2251, 33cm dia. *Sworders, Stansted Mountfitchet. Apr 06. HP: £80. ABP: £94.*



97  
Liberty & Co 'Tudric' pewter ware part tea set, c1930: teapot of flattened ovoid form, reed handle, hot water jug, milk jug and sugar pot, all with hammered finish, imp'd marks to undersides. (4) *Rosebery's, London. Mar 08. HP: £75. ABP: £88.*



98  
Pair of WMF pewter candle holders. *Great Western Auctions, Glasgow. Apr 08. HP: £75. ABP: £88.*