



China Shop

Cheryl Stone makes a business of surrounding herself with beautiful things as an antique dealer and owner of Provenance Naples. It's no wonder she is often tempted to expand her collection of antique porcelain. As a child, she began by collecting coins. "I was fascinated by intricate silver coins with beautiful ladies in flowing dresses, such as the Liberty Half Dollar or the winged helmet on Mercury Head dimes," she says. Her fascination with porcelain started when she was on a buying trip to England with her mother,

an antique dealer and interior designer. Her fancy? A large, apple-green jardiniere with hand-painted birds, which is now in her kitchen. Her favorite item is an Art Deco diamond bracelet with a setting in the form of a Corinthian column capital. To find the best pieces, she relies on research, travel and perseverance. "When on the hunt, I am up before the chickens, enduring freezing cold or blistering heat, and more than once standing up to my ankles in the mud," she says.