



**Unknown woman, said to be Elizabeth Mackworth**

British School  
Oil on canvas, c.1700  
NT



**John Montagu, 4th Earl of Sandwich**  
(1718–92)

by Joseph Highmore (1692–1780)  
Oil on canvas, 1740  
NPG 1977



**Unknown woman, said to be Mary Bouchier** (1683–1746)

by Jonathan Richardson (1665–1745)  
Oil on canvas, c.1720  
NT



**Lady Victoria Alexandrina Elizabeth Grey, Lady Dawnay**

(d.1922)  
British School  
Oil on canvas, 1890  
NT



**John Bouchier the Younger**  
(1710–59)

by John Vanderbank (1694–1739)  
Oil on canvas, 1732  
NT



**Unknown woman, said to be Judith English, Lady Dolben**

(c.1731–71)  
British School  
Oil on canvas, c.1750  
NT



**Unknown man, said to be John Bouchier** (1684–1736)

by Jonathan Richardson (1665–1745)  
Oil on canvas, c.1720  
NT



**John Christopher Pepusch**  
(1666/7–1752)

by Thomas Hudson (1701–79)  
Oil on canvas, c.1735  
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## Further Information

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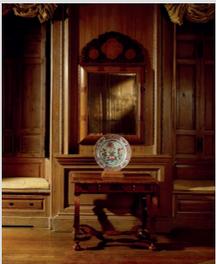
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# Drawing Room



This spacious Drawing Room was created when the 'With-drawing Room' and the State Bedchamber were joined. The removal of the internal wall must have required extensive remodelling. We are not sure when this happened, but we know that Lewis Payan Dawnay (1846–1910) purchased the three portrait 'over-doors' and the woman hanging above the fireplace. Labels on the back prove he bought the pictures as 'unknown' sitters. Mysteriously, over time, two of them became known as members of the Bouchier family – John and Mary Bouchier, who built Beningbrough – but there is no evidence for these indications.

## Adding Light Pier Glasses



The pier glasses and tables between the windows date from the 1690s. They are decorated with 'seaweed' marquetry – a thin veneer of pattern created with the contrasting colours of holly and princeswood. Princeswood, imported from tropical America, was the most expensive cabinet wood. Such tables and glasses often had candlestands, allowing the mirrors to reflect additional light into the room.

## John Montagu, 4th Earl of Sandwich A Symbolic Portrait



### John Montagu, 4th Earl of Sandwich (1718–92)

by Joseph Highmore (1692–1780)  
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Aged nineteen, Sandwich made an intrepid Grand Tour to Italy, Greece, Turkey and Egypt. This portrait celebrates his adventure and shows him wearing the exotic fur-lined costume – complete with turban and dagger – that he adopted when travelling in the East. His experiences and interests are illustrated in the view of Istanbul's Hagia Sophia and the drawing of the Pyramids on the table.

In 1748, Sandwich was appointed First Lord of the Admiralty and was involved in restructuring the Naval dockyards. He was also an important patron of music who championed the work of Handel. However, his most lasting contribution to British culture is his invention of the now-familiar snack, the sandwich.

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