

Antique Dealer Finds Live Cannonball

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Cumming, Georgia An antique dealer helping a collector consign a lifelong collection of antiques found more than she bargained for when she found an old cannonball in the collection. Going through the collection at her home, she showed the find to her husband, an Atlanta police officer.

After researching cannonballs on the internet, the husband warned her that it could potentially be live. The couple then drove to the nearest police department, smartly leaving the cannonball behind at the house, to report the find. The local police department instructed her to call 911 so that a record of the call could be generated.



Following the call, the Forsyth Fire Department, a Georgia Bureau of Investigation's bomb squad, and team of Air Force EOD technicians responded. The family was instructed to remain outside during the investigation.

EOD then safely removed the cannonball from the home and conducted an open detonation disposal shot at a nearby quarry. The nine-pound cannonball was safely destroyed in the process.