

Basic Detail Report



Title Percolator

Date about 1933

Primary Maker Manning Bowman Company

Medium Coffee percolator .1a: Cast porcelain with an opaque green glaze, various metals, and chrome. Lid .1b: Cast porcelain with an opaque green glaze.

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Percolator lid, basket and rod .1c-d: Aluminum. Cord .1f: Rubber, plastic, wire, metal.

Description Porcelain and metal electric coffee percolator, that consists of seven parts: porcelain coffeepot .1a, porcelain lid .1b, aluminum percolator lid .1c, aluminum percolator basket .1d, aluminum percolator rod .1e, and cord .1f; the coffee percolator also comes with matching porcelain coffee cups and saucers (.2a,b-.7a,b). The style of the electric coffee percolator reflects the Art Deco and streamlined styles popular during the 1920s and 1930s. The ceramic parts of the coffeepot are made of white porcelain with portions decorated with an opaque lime green glaze. The body of the coffeepot (.1a) is shaped like an urn, with a spout opposite the handle. The rim and sides of the coffeepot are green, and the sides of the coffeepot are lightly ribbed. The coffeepot has a matching, ribbed lid (.1b) that is green in the center, with a small oval finial. Two notches along the underside of the lid's rim keep the lid from falling off while resting on the coffeepot. Inside the coffeepot are three aluminum components: a perforated basket to hold coffee grounds (.1d); a perforated lid for the basket (.1c); and a hollow rod (.1e) that suspends the basket at the top of the coffeepot and connects it to the metal elements at the bottom of the coffeepot. The coffeepot itself rests on a metal base that contains electrical and heating elements to power the percolator inside the coffeepot. The prongs for the plug extend outward from the base of the coffeepot, below the handle, and the set comes with a detachable, black, thirty-six-inch cord (.1f). A small area of rust has developed on the metal plate attached to the underside of the coffeepot.

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Dimensions Component (percolator height x width): 12 1/2 x 9 1/2in. (31.8 x 24.1
cm)