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Title Lidded Sugar Bowl

Date about 1810-1815

Primary Maker Staffordshire potteries

Medium Mold-formed buff-colored earthenware with a blue-tinted glaze and overglaze enamels in pink, green, orange, and black

Description Elongated octagonal lidded sugar bowl of buff-colored earthenware with a blue-tinted glaze, a type of ceramic known as pearlware. The sides of the sugar bowl (.a) have a slight swell from the recessed rim to the flaring foot.

There are two mold lines at the opposite ends of the bowl with two small, hand-

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painted pink flowers on green stems. The rims of both the sugar bowl and lid (.b)

are hand-painted with the same pink enamel border, consisting of a band of pink with darker pink lines and dots creating a diamond-lattice pattern inside.

This border is outlined on one side with a feathered edge of repeating groups of seven to ten pink enamel lines that are of graduated lengths. Both long sides of the sugar bowl are decorated with the same pattern of a wide oval wreath of pink vines, leaves, and flowers, with additional green leaves added in four areas.

The center of the oval is decorated with a pattern of pink flowers and green leaves. The low, double domed inset lid of the sugar bowl has an elaborate finial shaped like a white swan, with a curved neck, orange eyes, and a black beak.

While the finial and lid have remained close to their original color, the sugar bowl itself has discolored to a brownish-yellow. There are lines of crazing over both the lid and the sugar bowl, and a chip on the pink border at the rim of the sugar bowl.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height including lid x width x depth): 6 1/4 x 5 1/4 x 3 5/8in. (15.9 x 13.3 x 9.2cm)