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Title Custard Cup

Date mid 19th century

Primary Maker Chase family

Medium Wheel-thrown Chinese export porcelain with underglaze cobalt blue decoration

Description Wheel-thrown Chinese export porcelain custard cup with hand-painted underglaze cobalt blue decoration showing a Chinese landscape; the custard cup is a type of Chinese export porcelain known as Cantonware. The Chinese landscape consists of a willow tree with a Chinese structure to the right. A river with a Chinese boat runs through the landscape, and there are mountains

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in the distance. The landscape runs around all sides of the outside of the custard cup. The custard cup (.a) has a handle made up of two pieces of pulled porcelain that have been twisted and applied to the body. A cluster of flowers with cobalt blue underglaze decoration has been applied where the handle and the body of the cup meet. The lid (.b) is decorated with a landscape with mountains, a river, and boats. This scene is surrounded by concentric rings of borders. The first is a "Canton" border consisting of a scalloped line with parallel lines of hatching running inside. The following two are blue borders with darker lines painted inside to create a geometric pattern. The top of the lid has a small molded and applied finial in the shape of a berry and leaves.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height including lid x width including handle x depth): 3 1/4 x 3 1/2 x 2 1/2in. (8.3 x 8.9 x 6.4cm)