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Title Child's Teapot

Date about 1840-1850

Primary Maker William Adams & Sons

Medium Mechanically-molded ironstone

Description Small, white, ironstone teapot, part of a child's tea service, of which twenty-one pieces survive: a teapot, a cream pitcher, a sugar, five cups, six saucers, and six bread-and-butter plates. Each piece in the set is decorated with four or six medium blue sprig-molded designs of fine detail, alternating between two vines twisted together with clusters of grapes and a single vine with a cluster of grapes. The bottom of each saucer in the group is impressed with the mark "GRANITE WA&S", and the bottom of the bread-and-butter plates is

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marked "ADAMS". Teapot (.1a): The octagonal baluster-shaped teapot has sprigmolded decorations applied to the swelled sides. There are two mold lines on the body of the teapot, as well as a curved spout and ear-shaped handle with a small thumb piece. There is a yellowish discoloration where the spout meets the body of the teapot. Lid (.1b): The small lid has three clusters of sprig-molded decorations applied to the top, and a small steam hole next to an octagonal, knob-shaped finial. There is a relatively large area of loss and a separate small chip on the rim. The surface of the lid shows mild crazing. Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height including lid x width x depth): 4 x 5 1/4 x 3 1/2in. (10.2 x 13.3 x 8.9cm)