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Title Pipkin

Date 1775-1800

Primary Maker Christopher Leffingwell

Medium Wheel-thrown redware with a lead glaze and black decoration

Description Globular, redware pipkin with a clear lead glaze over several patches of manganese black decoration. The pipkin has three solid, triangular feet that support a flat bottom and sides that swell slightly then taper to form a plain standing rim. A small portion of the rim is pinched together to form a small spout. A hollow, cylindrical handle is applied to the outside of the pipkin, perpendicular to the spout. The hollow handle is plugged close to the body of the pipkin with an unknown substance, possibly redware. There is significant crazing over all the glazed surfaces of the pipkin; there is a series of chips to the

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glaze on the rim. The ceramic itself is chipped, twice on the rim, and at least five times on the end of the handle. A portion of one of the feet has broken off. All the feet show signs of burning, perhaps during use, and each has the remnants of a clear wax adhered to the tip. There is a significant crack in the pipkin beginning at the foot opposite the handle. The crack runs up from the foot, then branches out into two cracks about two-thirds of the way up the side of the pipkin. Nearby, a small area of the glaze has chipped off over a rough spot in the redware.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width including handle x depth): 7 1/4 x 7 1/2 x 4in. (18.4 x 19.1 x 10.2cm)