

Title Jar

Date 1843-1848

Primary Maker Smith & Day

Medium Wheel-thrown stoneware with a salt glaze, brown slip glaze, and cobalt

blue decoration

Basic Detail Report

Description Ovoid, wide-mouthed, two gallon, grey stoneware jar with a salt glaze on the exterior and a brown slip glaze, or Albany-type glaze, on the interior. The jar has a plain vertical rim with a single incised line about two inches below the rim, an ovoid body, and a flat bottom. Two pulled lug handles have been applied to opposite sides of the jar, over the incised line; the handles are pressed against the jar along their full length. To one side, between the handles, a maker's mark is impressed just above the incised line. The oval mark reads, "SMITH & DAY,/ MANUFACTURERS,/ NORWALK, CON". Below the mark and the incised line is the impressed number "2". Cobalt blue is applied lightly over the impressed marks, as well as at both ends of each handle. A handpainted cobalt blue decoration is located on the opposite side of the jar from the mark, consisting of an abstract flower or leaf arrangement. There is a crack in the side of the jar to the lower left of the mark, and a crack in the rim and side on the opposite side of the mark. There is a small gouge in the surface of the stoneware to the lower left of the cobalt blue decoration. There are four chips of various sizes in the rim. There are three drips of paint adhered to the inside of the jar.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x diameter): 11 3/4 x 9 15/16in. (29.8 x 25.3cm)