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Title Inkwell

Date 1810-1830

Primary Maker Pitkin Glass Works

Medium Mold-blown olive green glass

Description Mold-blown olive green glass inkwell with a round opening in the center, a square body, and a shallow kick with a pontil mark on the bottom. The square body is about half as tall as it is wide, and it has canted corners with short horizontal lines running the full height of each corner. There is a different raised decoration on each side: a diamond diaper pattern with raised dots in the center; a basket of flowers; a bird or eagle with outstretched wings, and the

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initials "J.P.F." There is an extensive crack running from one side of the inkwell to the other. At one time, the inkwell was completely broken in two, but it was repaired. On the top of the inkwell, around the opening, there is a ring of light scratches and wear. There are some deeper scratches around one of the cracks in the glass, at a top corner. Remnants of clear wax are adhered to the bottom corners of the inkwell. Kick: An indentation in the bottom of a drinking glass, bottle, or other glass object. Pontil mark: A rough place on a blown glass object where the solid metal rod, or pontil, is cracked off the object after final shaping and decoration. Pontil marks can be polished to achieve a smooth surface.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width x depth): 1 5/8 x 2 3/8 x 2 3/8in.
(4.1 x 6 x 6cm)