

Basic Detail Report



Title Tumbler

Date 1780-1820

Primary Maker Asenath Carter

Medium Blown and engraved colorless non-lead glass

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Description Blown and engraved colorless non-lead glass tumbler. The tumbler

has a plain rim, tapered sides, and a shallow kick and a pontil mark on the

bottom. The lower sides of the tumbler were formed in a pattern mold and have

wide flutes. A wheel-engraved border circles the tumbler just below the rim. The

engraving starts at the rim with an undulating line, followed by a straight line

below. Below this is the vesica pattern, consisting of wide quarter circles

superimposed over each other; the spaces created by the quarter circles are

engraved, either with cross hatching or with a small stylized flower. There are a

few small air bubbles and seeds, or unvitified matter, in the glass. There are a

ring of wax and a ring of light scratches and wear on the bottom edges of the

tumbler. 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 diameter): 6 1/8 x 4 1/2in. (15.6 x 11.4

cm)