

Basic Detail Report

Title Compote

Date 1810-1860

Primary Maker Thomas Danforth Boardman

Medium Cast pewter

Description Cast pewter compote. The dish consists of a single bead at the outer edge of the 1 1/4-inch-wide rim, a shallow well, and an incised line circling the bottom of the well. The foot consists of a short, flared, cylindrical stem that is stepped out to the 3 11/16-inch-diameter bottom. The foot is soldered to the underside of the compote. The dish has skimming marks and chatter marks.

There are only a small number of light scratches on the top surface of the dish.

Skimming Marks: Skimming marks are concentric rings left on cast pewter objects by skimming tools. Skimming is the process of removing metal and smoothing rough surfaces by scraping the pewter object as it rotates on a lathe.

Chatter Marks: Chatter marks are radial lines extending across skimming marks on a pewter object, caused by vibration of the skimming tool.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x diameter): 3 x 9 1/2in. (7.6 x 24.1cm)