

Basic Detail Report

Title Trick Cups in Bag

Date 1858

Medium Cups (.a-.f): Seamed tin, with black, gold, green, and yellow paint. Bag (.g): Hand-stitched, plain-woven purple cotton.

Description Set of six seamed tin cups (.a-.f) that taper inward from top to bottom. The interior is unpainted, but the exterior is painted with a gold, green, and yellow design on a black background. There is a thick gold stripe circling the top of each cup, and two thin gold stripes circling the base. Above the second stripe at the base, vertical lines in gold create an undulating pattern. A foliate design in green and yellow circles the middle of each cup. The cups are stored in a bag (.g) made of hand-stitched, plain-woven purple cotton, with a drawstring made of white fabric tape. The bag is made of a single piece of fabric folded in half lengthwise, then stitched along the bottom and up one side. The draw string is housed in a 3/4-inch hem at the top of the bag; the ends of the draw string are knotted together. The stitching is done with purple thread.

Dimensions Component (height x diameter of each cup): 4 1/4 x 3 1/8in. (10.8 x 7.9cm) Component (height x width of bag .g): 13 5/8 x 8 1/2in. (34.6 x 21.6cm)