

Basic Detail Report

Title Dish

Date mid 19th century

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Drape-molded Chinese export porcelain with underglaze cobalt blue decoration and overglaze gilt enamel

Description Drape-molded, shallow, round Chinese export porcelain dish with a Chinese landscape hand-painted in underglaze cobalt blue; the dish is a type of Chinese export porcelain known as Cantonware. The central Chinese landscape with a willow tree and Chinese structure to the right. A river with a Chinese junk runs through the landscape, with a bridge in the foreground and houses, hills, and mountains in the distance. The central landscape is surrounded by concentric borders. First there is a band of blue with darker lines creating a diamond pattern inside. This border is surrounded by a field of white and then a "Canton" border, consisting of a scalloped line with parallel lines of hatching running inside. The "Canton" border is surrounded by a band of gilding, and then another band of blue with darker lines creating a diamond pattern inside. Additional overglaze gilding is applied at the rim and around the foot of the dish. There is minor wear to the gilding around the edge of the dish.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x diameter): 1 7/8 x 10 7/8in. (4.8 x 27.6 cm)