

Basic Detail Report

Title Bowl

Date about 1805-1815

Primary Maker Captain Ebenezer Hooker Mix

Medium Drape-molded Chinese export porcelain with overglaze enamel and gilding

Description Chinese export porcelain bowl, part of a dinner service of which eighteen pieces survive: a soup tureen and tray, two platters, one bowl, ten plates, and four soup plates. The entire set has a gilt and red enamel border of undulating lines creating interlacing ovals at the rim. A neoclassical pseudoarmorial device found on each piece in the set consists of a red enamel and gilt shield and mantel, with the initials "SM" in the center. A few of the pseudoarmorial devices show the remnants of a pale pink enamel used for the background of the shield and mantel. This nearly square, deep bowl with indented corners has two pseudoarmorial devices and two small arrangements of flowers in red enamel and gilding on the outside of the bowl. The gilt and red enamel border on the inner and outer edge of the rim of the bowl shows significant wear, leaving just the red enamel in most places. There is a small chip along the inside of the rim. Black marks in the surface of the bowl indicate impurities in the porcelain.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width x depth): 5 x 10 1/8 x 9 7/8in.

(12.7 x 25.7 x 25.1cm)