

Basic Detail Report

Title Teapot

Date about 1800-1820

Primary Maker Holcombe family

Medium Wheel-thrown Chinese export porcelain with overglaze black enamel and gilding

Description Round, Chinese export porcelain teapot with hand-painted overglaze black enamel and gilding, a technique known as grisaille. The small hand-painted landscape, found on both sides of the teapot, shows two threes and a Chinese structure on a hill. A border, at the foot of the teapot, consists of a wavy line with black dots where the line dips down. A second border, at the rim of the teapot, consists of a scalloped line with a cluster of three black enamel dots and one gilded dot where the line peaks. The teapot has a molded and applied handle of two pieces of porcelain that have been twisted together. A cluster of leaves has been molded, then applied and decorated with black enamel at each place where the handle meets the body of the teapot. A straight spout has been applied opposite the handle. The teapot is missing its lid.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width x depth): 4 1/2 x 9 x 4 5/8in.

(11.4 x 22.9 x 11.7cm)