

Basic Detail Report

Title Teapot

Date about 1765

Primary Maker Staffordshire potteries

Medium Mold-formed cream-colored earthenware with a copper green glaze

Description Round, cream-colored earthenware teapot with a green glaze on the lower two-thirds. The teapot is a "cauliflower" type teapot, because the raised decoration reflects the shape of cauliflower. The teapot (.a) sits on a round foot and has rounded, swelling sides. For the bottom two-thirds of the teapot, raised, curvy, scrolled decoration in the shape of leaves is covered with a translucent green glaze. Above this, raised dots and bumps in the ceramic, covered with a clear glaze that reveals the cream-colored earthenware below, give the impression of the cauliflower plant. The teapot has a molded and applied handle and spout that mirror this decoration. A round lid (.b), with a small, raised, round finial also mimics the appearance of cauliflower. There is a small hole in the lid of the teapot. Most of the surfaces of the teapot are crazed. Three clusters of clear wax are adhered to the bottom of the teapot. The same wax is also applied to the underside of the lid. The wax was adhered so well that the lid does not move.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height including lid x width x depth): 8 x 5 1/2 x 4 1/4in. (20.3 x 14 x 10.8cm)