

Basic Detail Report

Title Tea Bowl and Saucer

Date 1818-1846

Primary Maker Enoch Wood & Sons

Medium Mechanically-molded ironstone with underglaze cobalt blue decoration.

Description Round, ironstone tea bowl and saucer decorated with a transfer-printed underglaze cobalt blue pattern and border. The pattern is titled "COMMODORE MAC DONOUGH'S VICTORY". The pattern shows several sailing ships in a harbor, and two small figures standing in the foreground on a rocky shore looking out at the ships. The ships appear to be engaged in battle, as three ships are partially surrounded by smoke. There are low mountains in the distance and the sky is filled with clouds. The scene is surrounded by a border with large shells and small plants and flowers on a dark blue background, known as the "shell border" by Enoch Wood. Tea bowl (.a): The pattern is printed twice on the outside of the tea bowl, although without the title, and is surrounded by the border as described above. The border is also printed on the inside of the rim. There is a large crack running from the rim towards the bottom, then curving upwards again. The crack may still be active. All the surfaces of the tea bowl have crazing. Saucer (.b): The pattern and title is printed once in the center of the saucer, and is surrounded by the shell border. There is crazing over all the surfaces of the saucer.

Dimensions Component (height x diameter of tea bowl): 2 1/2 x 3 3/4in. (6.4 x 9.5 cm) Component (diameter of saucer): 5 3/4in. (14.6cm)