

Basic Detail Report

Title Tea Bowl

Date about 1840

Primary Maker Enoch Wood & Sons

Medium Mechanically-molded buff-colored earthenware with a blue-tinted glaze and underglaze cobalt blue decoration

Description Round tea bowl made of buff-colored earthenware with a blue-tinted glaze, a type of ceramic known as pearlware. The tea bowl is printed twice with a pattern in dark, underglaze cobalt blue. The pattern shows three people in a sailboat with a single mast and sail on a body of water. Two more individuals are standing and one is sitting on the shore in the near foreground. Beyond the river, a building sits on a shore at the base of a mountain. A crenellated tower is at the top of the mountain. Each printed pattern is surrounded by a border of white shells and light blue plants on a field of dark blue. There is an additional border at the rim of the tea bowl, consisting of a line of evenly spaced, small, white flowers. The shell border is printed again on the inside rim of the tea bowl. A small, transfer-printed pattern on the inside bottom of the tea bowl shows the same tower and a portion of the wooded mountain as described above. There is a crack in the rim of the tea bowl that runs half way down the side. The crack is surrounded by a slight discoloration.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x diameter): 2 5/8 x 4 1/8in. (6.7 x 10.5 cm)