

Basic Detail Report

Title Decanter with Stopper

Date 1820-1840

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Blown three-mold colorless lead glass

Description Blown three-mold colorless lead glass decanter and stopper. The decanter (.a) has a flared lip, an inverted conical neck, a concave ribbed shoulder, a baluster-shaped body, and a flat ribbed bottom with a pontil mark in the center. The decanter was formed by blowing glass into a three-part mold with a raised geometric "sunburst" motif, in this case consisting of vertical ribs at the shoulder, diagonal ribs below that, and a band circling the widest point of the decanter. The band alternates between rectangular panels with a sunburst inside and a diamond diaper pattern. There is a band of vertical ribbing below the wide band. The bottom of the decanter is ribbed as well, surrounding the pontil mark in the center. The interior of the neck of the decanter was ground to receive the stopper. There are light scratches and wear to the bottom corners of the decanter. The stopper (.b) consists of a spherical finial above a ground tapered portion that fits into the neck of the decanter. The finial is decorated with a raised pattern of ribs above and below a band of diamond diapering. The very bottom of the stopper has broken off. Pontil mark: A rough place on a blown glass object where the solid metal rod, or pontil, is cracked off the object after final shaping and decoration. Pontil marks can be polished to achieve a smooth surface.

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Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height including stopper x diameter): 10 1/2 x

4 1/2in. (26.7 x 11.4cm)