

Basic Detail Report

Title Tea Bowls

Date early 19th century

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Mold-formed Chinese export porcelain with overglaze enamels in orange, brown, pink, green, and purple

Description Two small, round, Chinese export porcelain tea bowls with ribbed sides and scalloped rims. The outside of each tea bowl is decorated with four evenly-spaced clusters of flowers. One of the clusters of flowers consists of two pink flowers, an orange flower, and green leaves. The other three clusters of flowers are smaller orange or pink flowers surrounded by green leaves. Inside each tea bowl, a line of brown enamel decorates the rim. Just below this is a scalloped line of purple enamel (on tea bowl .2) or a scalloped line of brown enamel (on tea bowl .3). Below the scalloped line, a line of short purple enamel or purple dots follows the shape of the scalloped line. On tea bowl .2, the large flower is missing considerable amounts of purple enamel. On tea bowl .3, there are several hairline cracks in the rim.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x diameter of each tea bowl): 1 7/8 x 3 1/2 in. (4.8 x 8.9cm)