

Basic Detail Report

Title Plate

Date late 19th-early 20th century

Primary Maker Willets Manufacturing Co.

Medium Mechanically-molded earthenware with underglaze black and blue decoration and overglaze gilding

Description Round, earthenware plate with an underglaze, printed black pattern, blue border, and gilding at the rim. The black pattern, found in the center of the plate, shows a chubby child, naked and with ringlets in his hair, straddling a barrel with the date "1776" printed on the end. The boy is holding on to a basket filled with fruit that sits in front of him on the barrel. Beneath the barrel are the words, "TRADE MARK/ WINDHAM BACCHUS". Surrounding the pattern at the rim, the blue border consists of meandering vines with flowers leaves. The inside and outside edges of the rim were once gilded, however, much of that gilding has since worn away. All of the surfaces of the plate have crazing.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (diameter): 8in. (20.3cm)