

Basic Detail Report

Title Teapot

Date mid 19th century

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Mold-formed porcelain with gilding

Description Rectangular, porcelain teapot with canted corners and gilded decoration. Part of a large group of white and gold teawares made of a white ceramic, porcelain in most cases, with gilding as the only decoration. The group consists of one large teapot (.1a,b), one smaller teapot (.2a,b), two cream pitchers (.3 and .4), one slop bowl (.5), two teacups (.6 and .7), five teacup saucers (.8-.12), four coffee cups (.13-.16), and four coffee cup saucers (.17-.20).

The group continues with ten plates in three different sizes (.21-.30), five small plates (.31-.35), one saucer (.36), two compotes (.37-.38), three lidded dishes (.39a-c-.41a-c), one pitcher (.42), one dish (.43), and a lid (.44). Teapot (.1a): The rectangular teapot has canted corners and a narrow foot and neck. A curvy, molded spout and handle are placed on opposite sides of the teapot. The spout is gilded, and the handle was gilded, although much of the gilding has worn off over time. There is a band of gilding at the foot, neck, and rim. Lid (.1b): The lid is also rectangular with canted corners. It has a mushroom-shaped finial in the center. There is a small hole in the ceramic to one side of the finial. Gilding has been applied to the lid at the rim, at the base of the finial, and on the top surface of the finial. The gilded surfaces of the teapot and lid have worn off, specifically at the teapot handle, corners, and spout.

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Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height including lid x width x depth): 6 1/2 x 8 1

/2 x 4 1/2in. (16.5 x 21.6 x 11.4cm)