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Title Cream Pitcher

Date about 1820-1840

Medium Mold-formed buff-colored earthenware with a blue-tinted glaze and underglaze cobalt blue decoration

Description Rectangular cream pitcher of buff-colored earthenware with a blue-tinted glaze, a type of ceramic known as pearlware. The cream pitcher has a rectangular base, swelled sides, a flared neck, and a narrower, vertical rim with an undulating edge. The rim curves up and forward to form the spout. Opposite the spout, a handle and been molded and applied to the side of the cream pitcher. The cream pitcher has an underglaze cobalt blue transfer-printed pattern found twice, once on each side. The pattern shows a tower and low wall in a state of ruin, to the left. The tower has grass growing from the top, and there are trees behind the wall. To the right of the tower, two figures are fishing along a stream or river that winds through the scene. To the right, two tall trees sit on land that sticks out into the river. A wall, village, and low hills are visible in the distance. The cream pitcher also has a border printed on the inside and outside edges of the rim. The border consists of various types of white flowers and dark blue leaves on a medium blue background, edged with a line of small white shapes on a dark blue field. A portion of this border has been printed on the handle. There is a chip in the glaze on the front right corner to the left of the spout, and a discoloration of the ceramic on the neck to the right of the spout. The right side of the spout has cracked completely and been repaired, and there

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is one additional crack and discoloration on the center of the spout. There is crazing on the inside and outside of the bottom of the foot, accompanied by a light brown discoloration.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width x depth): 4 5/8 x 6 1/8 x 2in.

(11.7 x 15.6 x 5.1cm)