

Basic Detail Report

Title Finger Bowls

Date 1830-1860

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Blown amethyst lead glass

Description Pair of blown amethyst lead glass finger bowls. Each finger bowl has a plain rim and nearly vertical sides that curve to create a flat bottom with a polished pontil mark in the center. There is a ring of light scratches and wear to the surface of the glass around the pontil mark on each finger bowl. Finger bowl .6 sustained a chip at the rim that has branched out into three cracks on the side and bottom. A major area of the side of finger bowl .7a,b broke off completely but remains with the finger bowl. 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. Finger bowls 1945.1.1183.3-.7 deaccessioned in 2006.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x diameter of all finger bowls): 3 1/8 x 4 5/8in. (7.9 x 11.7cm)