

Basic Detail Report

Title Tumbler

Date 1800-1820

Primary Maker Moses Wheeler

Medium Blown and engraved colorless non-lead glass

Description Blown and engraved colorless non-lead glass tumbler. The tumbler has a plain rim, tapered sides, and a shallow kick with a wide pontil mark on the bottom. The lower sides of the tumbler were formed in a pattern mold to create narrow flutes. A wheel-engraved border circles the tumbler just below the rim. The border consists of two undulating lines. The top undulating line circles almost the entire tumbler, with one small break. The second undulating line is broken into three shorter sections. Between each section is an abstract design, similar to a wave. Beneath each section is a double curl motif. There are a few small air bubbles and seeds, or unvitified matter, in the glass. There is a ring of light scratches on the bottom edges of the tumbler. Kick: An indentation in the bottom of a drinking glass, bottle, or other glass object. 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.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x diameter): 5 3/4 x 4 1/8in. (14.6 x 10.5 cm)