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Title Decanter with Stopper

Date 1820-1840

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Blown three-mold colorless lead glass

Description Blown three-mold colorless lead glass decanter and stopper. The decanter (.a) has a flared lip, an inverted conical neck, a low sloping shoulder, a semi-barrel-shaped body, and a pontil mark on the bottom. The decanter was formed by blowing glass into a three-part mold with a raised geometric motif, in this case consisting of vertical ribs at the shoulder and a band circling the widest point of the decanter. The band consists of three rectangular panels of diamond diapering separated by five raised ribs. Below the band are raised vertical ribs. The bottom of the decanter is decorated with petals circling the pontil mark in the center. The bottom has a ring of light scratches and wear at the edge. The stopper (.b) consists of a disc-shaped finial above a ground tapered portion that fits into the neck of the decanter. Both sides of the finial have an impressed circle in the center, surrounded by radiating raised flutes. 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 including stopper x diameter): 11 1/4 x 5in. (28.6 x 12.7cm)