Basic Detail Report



Title Tumblers

Date 1780-1820

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Blown and engraved colorless non-lead glass

Description Pair of blown and engraved colorless non-lead glass tumblers. Each of the tumblers has a plain rim, thin tapered sides, and a shallow kick and a

pontil mark on the bottom. A wheel-engraved border circles each tumbler just below the rim. The engraving starts at the rim with a scalloped line, followed by a straight line below. Below this is the vesica pattern, consisting of wide quarter circles superimposed over each other; the spaces created by the quarter circles are engraved, either with cross hatching or with a small stylized flower. There are a few small air bubbles and seeds, or unvitrified matter, in the glass. There are two spots of red paint adhered to the side of tumbler .b below the border. Each tumbler has a ring of light scratches and wear around the edge of the bottom. 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 of .a): 6 1/4 x 4 7/8in. (15.9 x 12.4cm) Primary Dimensions (height x diameter of .b): 6 x 4 3/4in. (15.2 x 12.1cm)