Basic Detail Report



Title Tumbler

Date 1780-1820

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Blown and engraved colorless non-lead glass

Description Blown and engraved colorless non-lead glass tumbler with a plain rim, thin tapered sides, and a shallow kick and a pontil mark on the bottom. A wheel-engraved border circles the tumber 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. The 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): 6 1/8 x 5in. (15.6 x 12.7cm)