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Small Pharmacy Jar Or Albarello - Spain - End Of The 16th - Beginning Of The 17th Century



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Period : 16th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Earthenware

Description

Small Pharmacy Jar or Albarello
Catalonia region, Spain
Late 16th - early 17th century
Earthenware
H. 13.5 ; Diam. 11 cm
(restoration)

This small Hispano-Moorish medicine pot, known as an albarello, is made of majolica and has a spool shape: cylindrical, curved at the waist (to make it easier to hold) and with a shoulder at the neck with a bead (allowing a ligature to be attached and the container to be closed). It is entirely covered with polychrome decoration organised in floral cartouches of blue pigments on a white background.
The top and bottom edges are decorated with

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slightly lighter lines.
Albarelli were highly prized by apothecaries and chemists, who used them to store ointments, medicinal plants and other powders thanks to the non-porous properties of these containers.

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