



Staffordshire Pearlware Loving Cup, Chinoiserie, Cobalt & Gilt, C.1820



320 EUR

Signature : Staffordshire Period : 19th century Condition : Très bon état Material : Ceramic

Description

A finely decorated Staffordshire pearlware loving cup, circa 1820, featuring chinoiserie transfer decoration in puce, highlighted with enamel and gilt over a deep cobalt blue ground. The cylindrical form with twin loop handles is characteristic of early 19th-century English drinking vessels, particularly in commemorative or presentation contexts.

The glaze displays a faint bluish pooling and pronounced surface crazing, typical of pearlware. The cobalt ground shows an incomplete finish near the footrim, with visible drips and uneven application -- a common feature

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of hand-applied decoration in Staffordshire pearlware of the period. In this example, the irregular application enhances its uniqueness -- no identical version is known to exist, making it a rare collector's item.

While similar

pieces are often described online as "Gaudy Welsh", this attribution is inaccurate. True Gaudy Welsh pottery features hand-painted floral designs in vivid colour palettes, whereas this cup employs chinoiserie scenes applied via transfer printing - firmly placing it within the Staffordshire pearlware tradition. Condition: A section of the rim has been professionally restored; overpainting is visible under close inspection. Otherwise in excellent antique condition with no structural damage. Dimensions: Height: 11 cm Width (handle to handle): 19 cm Base diameter: 11.3 cm Weight: 442 g Please study the accompanying photographs carefully as they form an integral part of this description. If you have any questions, we will be happy to answer them. The item will be shipped with full tracking and insurance.