Pattern #3942

Pattern Name: Empty Wooden Bridge

Category: Chinoiserie / Based on Chinese original

Border: Chinoiserie / Diaper

Additional Information:

Saucer with Empty Wooden Bridge pattern in hybrid-hard paste porcelain produced before 1800. It is based on the Chinese Export porcelain pattern shown here on two sides of a teabowl. Empty Wooden Bridge was attributed to Wolfe-Mason on p. 23 of NCS Newsletter #84, December 1991 by Brian Allaker. Photos of a saucer and teapot in the pattern as well as shards from the factory site confirm the attribution. Hillis2011, p. 481, 11.11, illustrates a teabowl by Wolfe, Mason & Lucock in this pattern. He also attributes this "quite rare" pattern from shards at the factory site. The pattern was produced in earthenware c. 1810 by Stevenson as seen in this database: Stevenson's Willow, pattern #297.

Body Type: Porcelain

Print Process: Underglaze Tissue Printed

Color: Blue

Maker:
Thomas Wolfe & Co.
1796–1800
Upper Islington
Liverpool
References:
Northern Ceramic Society Newsletters
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Ceramic Sources:

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