Pattern #16091

Pattern Name: **Shooting a Leopard**

Alternate Names: Indian Sporting

Category: [Indian and Oriental Themes](#)

Border: [Pictures in linear form / Animals / Indian Sporting Series](#)

Additional Information:

Well and tree platter, 21 inches long. Spode originated the Indian Sporting series c. 1809, and several other potters produced various patterns, including this one, copied from Spode's series. A Spode example of "Shooting a Leopard" is illustrated in Williams1943, p. 40; as well as in DrakardHoldway1983, p. 152, and DrakardHoldway2002, p. 235 (P904-1). See also listing in CoyshHenrywood1982, p. 337 for "Shooting a Leopard (in a Tree)". Prints by Samuel Howitt from Williamson1807 were the original inspiration for patterns used by Spode, as well as later makers who may have copied from the prints or from earlier patterns. Search "Indian Sporting" to see all such patterns. Animals in the border are also from Williamson1807. Illustrated on a similar platter by an unknown maker in Sack2009, p. 166.

Body Type: [Earthenware](#)

Color: **Blue**

Maker:

**Spode**
1770–1833
Stoke-on-Trent
Staffordshire
References:
Antique Blue and White Spode
Williams, Sydney B.
London, B. T. Batsford Ltd., 1949
The Dictionary of Blue and White Printed Pottery 1780-1880 Vol. I
Coysh, A. W. and Henrywood, R. K.
Woodbridge, Suffolk, Baron Publishing, 1982
Oriental Field Sports
Williamson, Thomas (author) and Howitt, Samuel (artist)
London, Edward Orme, 1807
India on Transferware
Sack, Michael
San Francisco, Transferware Collectors Club, 2009
Spode Transfer Printed Ware 1784-1833
Drakard, David and Holdway, Paul
Woodbridge, Suffolk, Antique Collector’s Club, Inc., 2002

Maker’s Mark:
TEXT-Printed

Print Sources:

Shooting a Leopard
Artist: Howitt, Samuel
Engraver: Merke, Henri
Width: 17.25 inches
Height: 12.25 inches
1807