



Chocolate cup and saucer

Date

ca. 1800

Medium

Silver, coconut shell

Description

Cup (a) has round brown polished coconut shell cup body with floral engraved silver rim, thin handle in form of a snake, and a footed silver base with a pierced, scalloped edge and a projecting semicircle in which the bottom of the handle is "caught" and soldered. Tiny silver nails affix the silver top and bottom to the cup. Lightly scribed under

the scalloped edge of the base are a flower and "Esteban Otuspe R. On the base between the foot are the letters EOR and 4000 K. Saucer (b) is of thick silver. with a raised rim with a double scallop design around the edge.

Dimensions

Overall: 3 15/16 x 3 9/16 x 4 5/16 in. (10 x 9 x 11 cm)