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PETITE BLUE AND WHITE BAMBOO TEA CUP

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c. 1850 • Southern China, China • Porcelain • Collection #BJC031D

H: 1.75" Dia: 2.5"

Tea connoisseurs often prefer thinly potted teacups like this one, because its flared mouth allowed the beverage to cool more quickly. This early 20th century teacup, designed and crafted by a Chinese artisan, is a perfect example of blue and white porcelains that were exported worldwide. These designs inspired countless, and often inferior, imitations throughout Asia and Europe. The blue cobalt oxide was actually introduced to China by Islamic merchants, but Chinese potters refined the glazing techniques.

Each handmade cup is slightly unique.



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