

The Frick Collection: Detail Report



Basin

Sèvres Porcelain Manufactory (French, est. 1756)

Date 1781

Medium Soft-paste porcelain with gilt metal

Dimensions 11 7/16 × 9 7/8 × 3 1/8 in. (29.1 × 25.1 × 7.9 cm)

Credit Line Gift of Miss Helen Clay Frick, 1934

Accession Number 1934.9.45

Not On View

Commentary Jean-Louis Morin (act. 1754–87), who painted the marine scenes on this water jug and basin, was the son of an army surgeon and studied surgery himself before becoming a porcelain painter. He began his career at Vincennes, where he painted cupids and infants after François Boucher but, perhaps inspired by his family's army connections, came to specialize in battle scenes and coastal views, then very fashionable.

Collection History Gift of Miss Helen C. Frick, 1934. Sources: Porcelains in The Frick Collection: Oriental and French. Volume VII. New York: The Frick Collection, 1974. Vignon, Charlotte. The Frick Collection Decorative Arts Handbook. New York: The Frick Collection/Scala, 2015.