

Istoriato plate - Nero having his mother, Agrippina tortured

Ceramics and Glass Collection

Accession Nr.: 4406 

Artist/Maker: Durantino, Guido

Materials: majolica

Techniques: pressed; thrown

Dimensions: diameter: 27 cm
height: 4 cm

The Italian majolica were received by their owners as occasional – engagement, wedding or birth – gifts, and served as decorations. A typical decoration of the colour majolica was the istoriato, presenting one or sometimes several scenes in a narrated fashion. The illustrated stories are mostly classic antique existing compositions were taken from painters and engravers.

From the four plates of the museum painted with similar coats of arms – Nicolas Rebenhaupt von Suche, governor of Lower Austria and his wife, Genoveva Lamparter, daughter of the Württemberg councillor – this one depicts Emperor Nero as he has his mother tortured and executed.

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