

# BOWL

**Unique ID:** MAS-D100047

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Published

Seven Chinese style bowls most likely to be made of porcelain. There is a parallel for the base mark that looks as though it's imitating Chinese porcelain marks. This is the mark of Charles Meigh of Hanley, Staffordshire, operating between 1835-49, but it was also used by the preceding company, J. Meigh and Son (c.1805-34) and the succeeding company, Charles Meigh and Son (1851-61) (Godden 1964, 428-429). The CM mark in the '.CASTER' stamp suggests that it's Charles Meigh, which puts the date just before the wreck date.

## Notes:

This item was found along with two stoneware jars ([MAS-D100046](#)) and were recovered from the wreck of *Josephine Willis*. Other objects similar in style to the ceramic recorded here have also been recovered on different occasions from this wreck site ([MAS-D100048](#), [MAS-D100054](#), [MAS-D100058](#), [MAS-D100059](#)) along with [other non-ceramic objects](#) including candlesticks, a deadeye and three square portholes.

The *Josephine Willis* was a New Zealand sail and steam propelled packet ship built in c.1840. The ship was carrying 110 people on board bound for Auckland, comprising ten First class passengers, 60 steerage and 40 crew. It sank in 1856 following a collision with *Mangerton* with the loss of 69 lives. NRHE and Kent HER reference numbers cited in this record refer to the wreck of *Josephine Willis*.

**Class:** CONTAINER **Sub class:** FOOD SERVING CONTAINER

## Subsequent actions

Current location of find: With finder

Subsequent action after recording: Submitted as wreck to the Receiver of Wreck

## Wreck details

Droit number: 118/17

## Chronology

Broad period: NINETEENTH CENTURY

Period from: NINETEENTH CENTURY

Period to: NINETEENTH CENTURY

Date from: Circa AD 1805

Date to: Circa AD 1856

## Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 7

Length: 72 mm  
Width: 127 mm

### **Discovery dates**

Date(s) of discovery: Saturday 3rd June 2017

### **Personal details**

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.  
Recorded by: L R  
Identified by: L M  
Secondary identifier: V L

### **Other reference numbers**

NRHE monument number: 1025695  
Other reference: Kent HER Number: TR 22 NE 45  
Droit ID: 118/17

### **Materials and construction**

Primary material: Ceramic  
Decoration style: Other  
Completeness: Complete

### **Spatial metadata**

County or Unitary authority: [Kent](#) (County)

### **Spatial coordinates**

4 Figure: TR1830  
Four figure Latitude: 51.0280097  
Four figure longitude: 1.10748152  
1:25K map: TR1830  
1:10K map: TR13SE  
Display [four figure position](#) on What3Words  
Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1 metre square.

### **Discovery metadata**

Method of discovery: Diving  
Discovery circumstances: Diving  
Current location: With finder

Godden, G A, 1964 [Encyclopaedia of British Pottery and Porcelain Marks](#) New York : Crown Publishing, ,