

Basic Detail Report



Sewing Box

Medium

Yellow pine

Description

A cylindrical box constructed of a single pine panel formed into a 3 1/2 inch high hoop, a four inch overlap with both panel ends scarfed to reduce bulk, then fastened with a row of split stitch wood lashing applied vertically. Additional lashing applied vertically 2 1/2 inches to the right of the main lashing row. 1/4 inch circular base nailed to the hoop bottom with wrought nails. Lid with matching construction, including 2 1/2 inch hoop height, two rows of vertical lashing, and a 1/4 circular lid fastened to the lid hoop with wrought nails.

The inside of the lid includes rough panels of wool flannel glued to lid/hoop seam for additional strengthening. Both lid and container are decorated with extensive chip carvings. The lid is transected with feathered "X" lines dividing lid space into four quadrants, each wedge ornamented with a checkerboard square with feathered corners. In one wedge is carved the date "1729," the opposite wedge includes the initials "MD." The sides of the lid are ornamented with chip carved square crosses, vertical feathered bands, diamond scallop panels, and a through-carved heart on the outer end of the panel. The box base hoop has similar carving and decoration. The base hoop decoration extend up to an inch below the edge in order to accomodate the lid. "KAS" is roughly carved into the base underside.

Dimensions

4.38 × 9.75 in. (11.1 × 24.8 cm)