

**SA1088927**

## Antique Wedgwood Black Basalt Teapot, c. 1790

Price

**GBP 500**

| USD \$677 | EUR 585

**Item Reference: SA1088927**

**Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

## Description

This exquisite antique Wedgwood teapot, crafted in the late 18th century, is made of black basalt, a material long recognized as one of the firm's finest creations. The teapot features an engine-turned body with a rare basket weave design that adorns the body, spout, and handle. It has a C-shaped ear handle, a straight spout, and a raised rim. The body of the pot is divided into two halves by horizontal bands, with both halves and the spout decorated with cannelures. The cover is topped with a knob in the form of a seated, draped female figure, often referred to as the "widow." Teapots of this pattern are highly coveted and are exhibited in the most prestigious museums. For example, a similar teapot can be seen in the Victoria and Albert Museum: <https://collections.vam.ac.uk/item/O149003/teapot-josiah-wedgwood-and/> Black basalt is a type of pottery made from a mixture of clay and other materials that produce a black body when fired in a kiln. It is turned or press-moulded similarly to other types of pottery. The history of basalt dates back to the Iron Age, when certain clays that naturally fired black were used. In the 18th century, the process was refined, with the best...

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