



## Ciborium

### Date

designed 1852, manufactured later

### Primary Maker

Eugène Emmanuel Viollet-Le-Duc

### Medium

Vermeil, with gilded bronze foot, Semi-precious stones including jasper, chrysoprase, moonstone, agate, opal, garnet, citrine, amethyst, and turquoise

### Description

Viollet-le-Duc designed this ciborium in 1852. The stem, with two rows of four semi-precious cabochons separated by a beaded ring, is attached to an orb-shaped foot. An acanthus-leaf wreath supports the cup and rests atop a flattened, ornamented sphere. The foot, sides of the cup and rim of the lid feature chased foliage decoration. Twelve semi-precious stones are affixed to the stem and represent Heavenly Jerusalem's twelve foundation stones, on which were inscribed the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

### Dimensions

13 1/4 × 6 5/16 in. (33.7 × 16 cm) Other (A-Top): 4 × 6 5/16 in. (10.2 × 16 cm) Other (B-Bottom): 9 13/16 × 6 7/8 in. (24.9 × 17.5 cm)