St Catherine



Brief description: Stained glass left light from a stained glass window. The light depict St Catherine and date from between 1310=1330.

St Catherine, a martyr who died for her Christian faith, is here shown holding a wheel in her right hand and a sword in her left. She is wearing a blue cloak over a yellow robe. On her head she wears a white veil and a crown. The background is plain red with trefoil cusped arch, steep gable and green crockets. This window dates c.1310-1330 and is in a decorated style. This style of glass-painting flourished in the period c1280-1350, with figures positioned under flat but decorative canopies. The modest use of yellow stain, applied only to the architecture, suggests a date early in the 14th century. The brilliant colour of the glass and the confident painting are also typical of this great period for English stained glass. The panel was originally part of a two-light window showing St Catherine and St Lawrence in a church in Wood Walton, Cambridgeshire, and was removed for safekeeping by the Friends of Friendless Churches in 1980. The tracery contained rearranged medieval fragments.

Object type: light

Number of objects: 1

Production date: 1

Production period: Medieval

Dimensions: Height: 760 mm, Width: 300 mm

Original location: St Andrew Wood Walton Cambridgeshire previously Huntingdon England North-west Chancel St Andrew

Acquisition: loan 1972

Acquisition source: The Friends of Friendless Churches

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