A Murano coloured glass dish

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Height: 4 cm (1.6")

Diameter: 21.5 cm (8.5")

Description

An early 20th century Murano glass dish, decorated with alternating spirals of pink and aquamarine coloured ribbons and mottled inclusions of coloured glass and aventurine, made by Salviati & C., founded in 1859.

Dr. Antonio Salviati, (1816 - 1890) played a major role in promoting the European fashion for brightly coloured, decorative Italian glass from Murano. Originally from Vicenza, Salviati became involved in the restoration work to the mosaics of San Marco in Venice, in Monreale and Ravenna. This led to an interest in glassmaking, establishing a business in 1859 in partnership with Lorenzo Radi (1803 - 1874). Within a few years they had received major international commissions which included the mosaic glass for the altar screen at Westminster Abbey. The firm continues after Antonio's death under the leadership of his children, Giulio and Silvio. The company became part of Venini in 1990.

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