

Open Salts by Gibson Glass, Milton, WV

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Gibson Art Glass was started by Master Glass Blower Charles Gibson who worked for both Blenko Glass and Bischoff Glass before opening his own Art Glass Studio "Gibson Glass Company". Charles Gibson opened the doors of his contemporary art glass company from June 1976 to June 1977. He then closed the doors to resume his calling as an ordained minister. Then Mr. Gibson along with his son Phillip reopened his company in 1983 and remained in business in Milton, W. Virginia until it officially closed its doors on 15 July 2006. Gibson Glass produced a wide variety of blown, mold - blown, and hand-crafted glass items. They are probably best known for their biggest sellers - Glass Cruets. They also did a wide range of figurines, vases, perfume bottles, decanters, paperweights, bowls, ring holders, marbles, cuspidors, baskets, toothpick holders, oil candles (lamps), and water sets (full size & miniature). They did very little pressed glass.

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Gibson Double Ring Salt (Original L.G. Wright Double Wedding Ring Salt (Botson Mold 1960's) Obtained at Auction May 1999) Mold location unknown at this time

Reference: None **Size:** 2 3/8" Dia, 1 3/4" High

Remarks: Unmarked, may be found with paper label. Limited production as primary hand shop

Colors: Green Burmese, Green Burmese Iridized, Cobalt



Gibson Swan and Cart Salt (Original Joe StClair Mold)(Maker Unknown)) Mold location unknown at this time

Reference: HJ 941 **Size:** 4 5/8" Long, 1 4/4" Wide, 2 5/8" High

Remarks: Marked on bottom G over G , may be found with paper label. Limited production as primary hand shop

Colors: Black Iridized, Vaseline, Cobalt, Pink Iridized and few slag iridized.



Gibson Vine Pattern Salt (Original L.G. Wright Wildflower Crescent Salt Dip (Botson Mold) Obtained at Auction May 1999) Mold obtained by Wilkerson Glass

Reference: H&J 899 **Size:** 3 3/4" Long, 1 7/8" Wide, 2 7/8" High

Remarks: Unmarked, may be found with paper label. Limited production as primary hand shop.

Colors: Green Burmese, Green Burmese Iridized, Crystal, Crystal Iridized, Cobalt



Gibson Wheelbarrow Salt (Original Joe StClair Mold (Maker Unknown)) Mold obtained by Wilkerson Glass

Reference: HJ 4670 **Size:** 3 1/4" Long, 1 3/4" Wide, 1 7/8" High

Remarks: Unmarked, may be found with paper label. Limited production as primary hand shop

Colors: Mostly slag colors and most iridized

