

Children's books characters on thimbles

including nursery rhymes - fairy tales and fables

If you are ever thinking of a starter thimble collection for a child – maybe this thematic topic may be the perfect start for a collection? As most of the thimbles are made of china, they would be a reasonable theme to collect? The thimble may show the cover of a favourite book or an actual character. Maybe these thimbles will send you to revisit to your favourite childhood read? Check whether your favourite thimble maker has created a thimble?



It seems that the earlier the book was published, the more prolific the thimbles associated with the characters are. For these bigger sections, the book characters are depicted separately.

Some of the thimbles show only the book title – these still encapsulate the books character.

We are familiar with so many characters on television and in films that didn't originate in book form (for example Jim Henson's The Muppets). They are outside the scope of this topic.

Disney movies have played a huge role in bringing book characters to the screen. Thimble makers have been influenced by these movie versions, especially in the fairy tales section. Without the original author, many of the films or TV versions would not exist. Many of these versions are shown on many of the thimbles below.

Children grew up listening to nursery rhymes and fairy tales – these are included at the end of the topic. There are no lullabies like Twinkle twinkle little star ...

Pewter is an ideal medium for thimble makers to show the finest details of nursery rhymes.

Most of the china thimbles have decals that are often repeated.




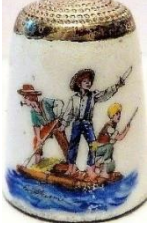



Its lovely to find the odd handpainted thimbles – and there are several sterling silver thimbles depicting the book characters.

The following was not written for children:
The little prince - Antoine de Saint-Exupery

I have arranged the topic alphabetically by the title of the book depicted. Within each book, thimbles with a known maker are listed first.

Children's books characters

THE ADVENTURES OF TOM SAWYER 1876 – THE ADVENTURES OF HUCKLEBERRY FINN 1884 Mark Twain (US)

 <u>Birchcroft</u> Huckleberry Finn book	 <u>Francesca</u> Huckleberry Finn	 <u>Heirloom Editions USA</u> Huckleberry Finn handpainted by Tasia	 <u>Chris Harmer 1976</u> Tom Sawyer enamelled sterling silver
 <u>Francesca</u> Tom Sawyer		 <u>Sutherland 1984</u> Tom Sawyer	

ALICE IN WONDERLAND Lewis Carroll 1865 (UK)

it is interesting how differently each thimble maker interprets this story's characters

Alice

most of the thimbles feature Alice and are included here, no matter which character accompanies her

 <u>Birchcroft</u> Alice in Wonderland book	 <u>Birchcroft</u> Drink me	 <u>Birchcroft</u> Alice in Wonderland poster	 <u>Brad Elfrink USA</u> Alice and the Caterpillar
 <u>Brad Elfrink USA</u> Alice and the Dodo	 <u>Brad Elfrink USA</u> Alice and the Cheshire Cat	 <u>Brad Elfrink USA</u> Alice and the White Rabbit	 <u>Brad Elfrink USA</u> Alice and the Mad Hatter
 <u>Charles Iles</u> Alice and the Dodo	 <u>Charles Iles</u> Alice and the Mad Hatters tea party	 <u>Charles Iles</u> Alice and the Cheshire Cat Alice in Wonderland	 <u>Hallmark Cards USA</u> 1995 Alice in Wonderland



Harmer



Heirloom Editions USA
handpainted by CC
Alice and the Knave of Hearts



Lucerne Wulf USA
sterling silver



McMillan & Wife
Alice and the Mad
Hatter



McMillan & Wife
Alice and the Lion and
the Unicorn



R.J.K. USA
Alice and the White Rabbit
handpainted silver



Royal Grafton
Advice from the
Caterpillar



Royal Grafton
Alice and croquet match



Royal Grafton
Curiouser and curiouser



Royal Grafton
Dodo before the caucus



Royal Grafton
Dodo we beg your pardon



Royal Grafton
Drink me



Royal Grafton
Alice and Humpty Dumpty



Royal Grafton
If it had grown up it would
have made a dreadfully
ugly child



Royal Grafton
Alice and the Mad Hatters
tea party



Royal Grafton
Alice and the Queen of
Hearts
Off with her head



Royal Grafton
Alice and the Queen of
Hearts
Speak roughly to your
little boy and beat him
when he sneezes



Royal Grafton
Alice and the deer



Royal Grafton
Alice and the golden crown



Royal Grafton
Alice and the Lion and the
Unicorn






Royal Grafton
Alice and the White Knight



Royal Grafton
Wont you join the dance



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models 1988

 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u> 1998</p>	 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u> Alice and the Cheshire Cat</p>	 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u> 1998 Alice and the Cheshire Cat</p>	 <p><u>Walt Disney USA</u> 1988</p>
	 <p>Alice and the Caterpillar commemorating 150th anniversary 2012</p>	 <p>Alice and the Cheshire Cat commemorating 150th anniversary 2012</p>	 <p>Alice and the Dodo commemorating 100th anniversary the authors death 1998</p>
 <p>Drink me commemorating 150th anniversary 2012</p>	 <p>movie with Mia Wasilkoski as Alice</p>	 <p>Alice in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll first published in 1865 150 years ago</p>	 <p>movie with Mia Wasilkoski as Alice and White Rabbit</p>
	 <p>Alice and the Mad Hatters tea party commemorating 150th anniversary</p>	 <p>Alice and the Queen of Hearts commemorating 150th anniversary</p>	 <p>Alice and the Mad Hatters tea party</p>
 <p><u>Harmer Carpenter</u></p>	 <p><u>Harmer Caterpillar</u></p>		

Cheshire Cat

 <p><u>Comstock Creations USA</u></p>	 <p><u>Hallmark Cards USA 1998</u> <i>Alice in Wonderland</i></p>	 <p><u>Harmer</u></p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> It vanished quite lowly, beginning with the far end of its tail and ending with the grin</p>
			

Dormouse

 <p><u>Carol Ann Miniatures</u></p>	 <p><u>Daniel Riccio US 1998</u> bronze</p>	 <p><u>Harmer</u></p>	 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models 1988</u></p>
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 <p><u>Sterling Classic 1998</u> Duchess</p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u> Old Father William</p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Old Father William</p>	 <p><u>Harmer</u> Hand of cards</p>
 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Herald</p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Herald</p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Jabberwocky</p>	 <p><u>Harmer</u> King of Hearts</p>

Mad Hatter



Birchcroft



Hallmark Cards USA 1996
Alice in Wonderland



Harmer



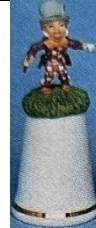
Healacraft China
'Twinkle, twinkle, little bat
how I wonder what you're
at
Up above the the world
you fly, like a teatray in
the sky
Woodsetton Peepr of
speech by Mad Hatter



Royal Grafton



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models 1988



Sterling Classic 1998



1993



March Hare



Harmer



Stephen Frost Warwick Models 1998



Sterling Classic

Queen of Hearts



Harmer



Stephen Frost Warwick Models 1998



Sterling Classic 1998

Tweedledum and Tweedledee



Comstock Creations USA



Royal Grafton


Walrus and the Carpenter

 <p><u>Harmer</u></p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u></p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u></p>
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White Rabbit

 <p><u>Carol Ann Miniatures</u> 2016 Ref: T123561 £25.95</p>	 <p><u>Hallmark Cards USA</u> 1997 <i>Alice in Wonderland</i></p>	 <p><u>Harmer</u></p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u></p>
 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u> 1998</p>	 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u> 2001</p>	 <p>commemorating 150th anniversary 2012</p>	

others

	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> quote Twas brillig and the slithy toves</p>
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ANNE OF GREEN GABLES Lucy Maude Montgomery 1908 (Canada)

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Anne of Green Gables book</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Green Gables</p>	 <p><u>Bronte</u></p>
 <p>Green Gables Prince Edward Island resin</p>		

THE BOOK OF FLOWER FAIRIES Cecily Mary Barker 1927 (UK)

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> The Bluebell story book</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> The Pansy story book</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> The Snowdrop story book</p>
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BRAMBLEY HEDGE Jill Barklem 1980 (UK)

 <p>Autumn 1982 <u>Royal Doulton</u></p>	 <p>Basil <u>Royal Doulton</u></p>	 <p>Basil 1983 on bramble jam pot pewter on ceramic</p>	 <p>Catkin <u>Enesco</u> nursery basket</p>
 <p>Clover <u>Enesco</u> nursery basket</p>	 <p>Clover 1983 <u>Royal Doulton</u></p>	 <p>Lady Woodmouse 1983 <u>Royal Doulton</u></p>	 <p>Mrs Apple 1983 <u>Royal Doulton</u></p>



Mrs Apple
Enesco
summer



Mrs Apple
on bramble jam pot
pewter on ceramic



Mrs Appleyard 2006
Lindner



Mrs Toadflax
on bramble jam pot
pewter on ceramic



Poppy
on bramble jam pot
pewter on ceramic



Primrose 1983
Royal Doulton



Spring 1982
Royal Doulton



Summer 1982
Royal Doulton



The little children 1983
Royal Doulton



The wedding 1983
Royal Doulton



Wilfred
Enesco
nursery basket



Wilfred
Enesco
spring



Wilfred 1983
Royal Doulton



Winter 1982
Royal Doulton



nursery basket
Enesco

THE CAT IN THE HAT etc Dr Seuss 1957 (US)



bronze statue of the author and his character

 <p>ABC</p>	 <p>The cat in the hat</p>	 <p>The cat in the hat comes back</p>	 <p>Come to a party</p>
	 <p>Dr Seuss ...</p>	 <p>The foot book</p>	 <p>Happy birthday to you</p>
 <p>Hop on pop</p>	 <p>Horton hatches the egg</p>	 <p>Horton hears a who</p>	 <p>My book about me</p>
 <p>Oh, the places you'll go</p>	 <p>A season of Seuss 2007 Fox in socks resin</p>	 <p>A season of Seuss 2007 Grinch resin</p>	 <p>A season of Seuss 2007 Sam I am resin</p>
 <p>Yertle the turtle</p>			

CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY etc Roald Dahl 1964 (UK)

 <p>We is in dream country the BFG said, this is where all dreams happen</p>	 <p>Charlie and the chocolate factory 2013</p>	 <p>Fantastic Mr Fox 2013</p>	 <p>James and the giant peach 2013</p>
 <p>Matilda 2013</p>	 <p>The Twits 2013</p>	 <p>The witches 2013</p>	

GUMNUT BABIES 1916 – **SNUGGLEPOT AND CUDDLEPIE** 1918 May Gibbs (Australia)

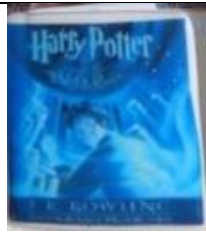
 <p>Royal Grafton 1994 Gumnut Babies</p>	 <p>firehydrant</p>
 <p>Jan Milton handpainted Snugglepot Cuddlepie</p>	

HARRY POTTER J K Rowling 1997 (UK)

 <p>Dobby</p>	 <p>Birchcroft Hagrid</p>	 <p>Hagrid</p>	 <p>Birchcroft Harry Potter and the chamber of secrets book</p>
 <p>Birchcroft Harry Potter and the deathly hallows book</p>	 <p>Birchcroft Harry Potter and the goblet of fire book</p>	 <p>Harry Potter and the goblet of fire</p>	 <p>Birchcroft 2005 Harry Potter and the half-blood prince book</p>



Harry Potter and the goblet of fire



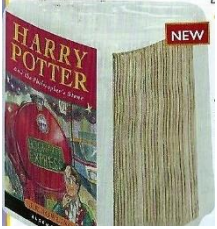
Birchcroft 2003
Harry Potter and the philosophers stone book



Birchcroft
Harry Potter and the philosophers stone book



Birchcroft
Harry Potter and the philosophers stone book



Birchcroft 2017
Harry Potter and the philosophers stone book 20 years since publication



Harry Potter and the philosophers stone book 20 years since publication



Birchcroft
Harry Potter



Harry Potter movie



Harry Potter movie



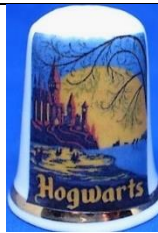
Harry Potter playing quidditch



Birchcroft
Hermione



Hermione



Birchcroft
Hogwarts



Birchcroft
Oliver



Birchcroft
Professor Dumbledore



Professor Dumbledore





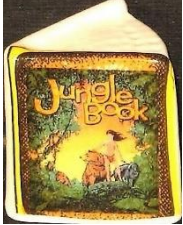
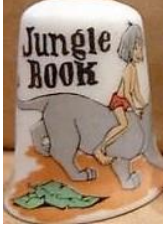










Birchcroft
Ron



Ron

THE JUNGLE BOOK Rudyard Kipling 1894 (UK)

			
<u>Birchcroft</u> Bagheera	<u>Birchcroft</u> Baloo	<u>Lenox USA</u> Baloo	<u>Birchcroft</u> Sue
			
<u>Birchcroft</u> Jungle book	Jungle book	<u>Birchcroft</u> Kaa	<u>Birchcroft</u> Little eElephant
			
<u>Birchcroft</u> Monkey	<u>Birchcroft</u> Mowgli	<u>Birchcroft</u> Rama	<u>Birchcroft</u> Sheer Khan
			
<u>Birchcroft</u> The Apes	<u>Birchcroft</u> The Colonel	<u>Birchcroft</u> Vultures	<u>Birchcroft</u> Yogi Bear and Booboo

MARY POPPINS P L Travers 1933 (UK)

			
<u>Birchcroft</u> Mary Poppins the musical poster	<u>Sterling Classic</u>	Mary Poppins 50 th anniversary 1964-2014 2014	Mary Poppins 50 th anniversary 1964-2014 2014

MR MEN Roger Hargreaves 1971 (UK)

 <p>Mr Men 2016 celebrating 65th anniversary of Little Miss</p>	 <p>Mr Greedy 2014</p>	 <p>Mr Happy 2014</p>
 <p>Mr Nosey 2014</p>	 <p>Mr Tickle 2014</p>	 <p>Mr Men 2016 A white Christmas</p>

NODDY Enid Blyton 1949 (UK)



Great British authors Enid Blyton 1897-1968

 <p>Birchcroft Enid Blyton was born 100 years ago today 11-Aug-97</p>	 <p>Bert Monkey</p>	 <p>Birchcroft Big Ears</p>	 <p>Big Ears</p>
 <p>Birchcroft Dinah</p>	 <p>Goblins - Sly and Gobbo</p>	 <p>Birchcroft Martha</p>	 <p>Birchcroft P.C. Plod</p>
 <p>Mr Plod</p>	 <p>Birchcroft</p>	 <p>Birchcroft Noddy and his car book</p>	 <p>Birchcroft The big Noddy book</p>

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> The new Noddy book</p>	 <p>Noddy in his car 2004</p>	 <p>Noddy in his car and Big Ears</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Noddys car</p>
 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Rusty</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Tessie</p>	 <p>Tessie Bear</p>	



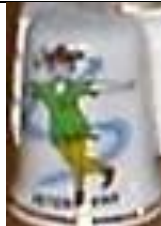




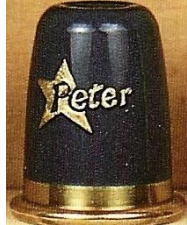
PADDINGTON BEAR Michael Bond 1958 (UK)

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> please look after this bear thank you</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> please look after this bear</p>	 <p><u>Coalport</u> 1983 at the seaside</p>	 <p><u>Coalport</u> 1983 bedtime</p>
 <p><u>Coalport</u> 1983 gardening</p>	 <p><u>Coalport</u> 1983 sweeps up</p>	 <p><u>Coalport</u> 1983 takes a snack</p>	 <p><u>Coalport</u> 1983 takes a trip</p>
 <p><u>Enesco</u> 1990 sitting on marmalade jar</p>	 <p><u>Enesco</u> 1990 standing on marmalade jar</p>	 <p><u>Enesco</u> 1990 takes a trip - marmalade jar</p>	 <p><u>Reutter</u> Germany 1998 breakfast</p>
 <p><u>Reutter</u> Germany 2001 gardening</p>	 <p><u>Reutter</u> Germany 2001 green jacket</p>	 <p><u>Reutter</u> Germany 2001 marmalade</p>	 <p><u>Reutter</u> Germany 2001 picnic</p>

			
<p><u>Reutter</u> Germany 1998 picnic</p>	<p><u>Reutter</u> Germany 2001 takes a trip</p>	<p><u>Reutter</u> Germany 1998 takes a trip</p>	<p><u>Reutter</u> Germany</p>
			
<p><u>Schmid</u> Germany 1983 A bears noel</p>	<p><u>Schmid</u> Germany 1984 How sweet it is</p>	<p>silver-plated pewter 1998 at the seaside</p>	<p>silver-plated pewter 1998 jogging</p>
			
<p>silver-plated pewter 1998 plays golf</p>	<p>silver-plated pewter 1998 plays soccer</p>	<p>silver-plated pewter 1998 plays tennis</p>	<p>silver-plated pewter 1998 takes a trip</p>
			
<p>celebrating 50 years 2008</p>	<p>Christmas 2014</p>		

PETER PAN J M Barrie 1904 (UK)

Peter

			
<p><u>Ann Sullivan</u> UK handpainted</p>	<p><u>Birchcroft</u> movie poster</p>	<p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	<p><u>Colin Tyler</u> UK stacking thimble</p>
			
<p><u>Fort</u> USA ...Maryland More than a restaurant</p>	<p><u>Lenox</u> USA</p>	<p><u>Walt Disney</u> 1988</p>	<p><u>Woodseton</u> UK 1989 peep</p>

 <p>65th anniversary 2018</p>			 <p>movie poster</p>
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Captain Hook

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>Colin Tyler UK</u> stacking thimble</p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild 2005</u> 100 year anniversary</p>	
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Crocodile









 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>Colin Tyler UK</u> stacking thimble</p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild 2005</u> 100 year anniversary</p>	
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 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> John</p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild 2005</u> John 100 year anniversary</p>	 <p>John</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Jolly Roger</p>
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 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Michael</p>	 <p>Michael</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Nana</p>	 <p><u>Colin Tyler UK</u> Smeeth stacking thimble</p>
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 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Tiger Lily</p>
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Tinkerbell

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>Colin Tyler UK</u> stacking thimble</p>	 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u></p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild 2005</u> 100 year anniversary</p>
 <p><u>Walt Disney 1988</u></p>			
 <p><u>Secret wings</u></p>			

Wendy

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild 2005</u> 100 year anniversary</p>	 <p><u>Woodsetton UK 1989</u> peep</p>	
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Others

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Peter Pan and Never Land book</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Peter and Wendy by J.M. Barrie book</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>
 <p><u>The Thimble Guild 2005</u> Celebrating 100 years of Peter Pan Charity No 235825</p>		 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> J.M. Barries Peter Pan 100 years</p>	

PINOCCHIO Carlo Collodi 1883 (Italy)
Pinocchio

 <p><u>Ann Sullivan</u> UK handpainted</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u></p>	 <p><u>Q2</u> USA handpainted wood</p>
			

Jiminy Cricket

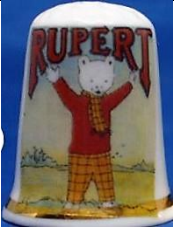




 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u></p>	 <p><u>Walt Disney</u> 1988</p>		
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RAGGEDY ANN - ANDY Johnny Gruelle 1915 (US)

 <p><u>Comstock Creations</u> USA Andy</p>	 <p><u>Janet Pitts</u> USA Andy</p>	 <p><u>Radnor</u> Andy</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Ann and Andy</p>
 <p><u>Calico Cuties</u> USA handpainted</p>	 <p><u>Comstock Creations</u> USA Ann</p>	 <p><u>Janet Pitts</u> USA Ann</p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u> 1996 Ann</p>
 <p><u>Radnor</u> UK Ann</p>			 <p><u>Ann</u> 1990 handpainted</p>

RUPERT BEAR Herbert Tourtel 1920 (UK)

Rupert

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> 100 year anniversary</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Christmas</p>	 <p><u>Maureen Jones Silver</u> <u>Scenes Ltd</u> Wales Full of glee hoping soon to see the sea</p>
	 <p>85 year anniversary 2006</p>	 <p>Rupert and Bill celebrate</p>	
	 <p>Christmas</p>	 <p>in the rain</p>	
	 <p>85 year anniversary 2006</p>	 <p>picking flowers</p>	 <p>in the snow</p>
 <p>Rupert with Ping Pond and Bill</p>	 <p>Rupert with Willie</p>		
 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Algy</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Bill</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Edward</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Podgy</p>



Birchcroft
Professor



Birchcroft
Rex



Birchcroft
Tiger Lily



Birchcroft
Wise Old Goat

THE SNOWMAN Raymond Briggs 1978 (UK)



Border Fine Arts Studio UK
2003
enamelled



Royal Doulton
pyjamas



Royal Doulton
snowman



Royal Doulton
skier



Royal Doulton
sheriff



Royal Doulton
Highland dancer



Royal Doulton
braces

THE TALE OF PETER RABBIT etc Beatrix Potter 1902 (UK)

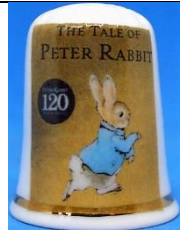


Frederick Warne & Co were the publisher of all her books. Their initials often appear inside many of these thimbles. Most of the characters portrayed were those drawn by Beatrix Potter in her 23 books.

Peter Rabbit – The tale of Peter Rabbit



Birchcroft
Peter and family



Birchcroft 2022
The tale of Peter Rabbit
120 years



Birchcroft
The tale of Peter Rabbit
book



Birchcroft
Peter in the garden



Lenox USA 1996



Reutter Germany 2002
100 years



Reutter Germany L: 2001
Peter and family



Reutter Germany
Peter and family

 <p><u>Reutter</u> Germany Peter in the garden 100 years</p>	 <p><u>Reutter</u> Germany 2002 Peter in the snow</p>	 <p><u>Reutter</u> Germany 2005 Peters Christmas party</p>	 <p><u>Schmid</u> 2002 100 years</p>
 <p><u>Sutherland</u></p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2012 Peter and family</p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2013 70 years of Potters death</p>	 <p><u>Wedgwood</u> 1983</p>
 <p>gold painted apex</p>	 <p>1994</p>	 <p>film</p>	 <p>Peter and family gold painted apex</p>
 <p>Peter Rabbit and friends 1995</p>	 <p>Peter in the garden gold painted apex</p>	 <p>gold-plated pewter 2003</p>	 <p>silver-plated Korea 1993</p>
 <p>Happy Easter</p>	 <p>Peter in the snow gold painted apex</p>	 <p>silver-plated pewter 2003</p>	 <p>silver-plated pewter</p>
 <p>Peter Rabbit and the Guides of Troutbeck Park Beatrix Potter 31st May 1928</p>	 <p>papier maché Philippines</p>	 <p>handpainted wood 1997 Philippines R: 2002 100 years</p>	



Sutherland
Amiable Guinea Pig
 Appley Dapplys nursery rhymes



Sutherland
Anna Maria
 The tale of Samuel Whiskers



Sutherland
Appley Dapply
 Appley Dapplys nursery rhymes

Benjamin Bunny – The tale of Benjamin Bunny



Birchcroft



Lenox USA 1996



Reutter Germany L: 2001



Sutherland



The Thimble Guild 2013
 70 years of Potters death



Wedgwood 1983



Lenox USA 1996
Cecily Parsley



Sutherland
Cecily Parsley



Lenox USA 1996
Dig Diggory Delvet

Duchess - The tale of the pie and the patty pan



Birchcroft



Lenox USA 1996



Sutherland



Sutherland
The fierce bad rabbit
 The story of a fierce bad rabbit



Sutherland
Flopsy
 The tale of Flopsy bunnies



Wedgwood 1983
Flopsy



The Thimble Guild 2015
Flopsy Mopsy and Cottontail



Sutherland
Foxy Whiskered Gentleman
 The tale of Jemima Puddleduck



Sutherland
Gardening Guinea Pig
 Cecily Parsleys nursery rhymes



Sutherland
Gentle Rabbit
 The story of a fierce bad rabbit



Sutherland
Ginger
 The tale of Ginger and Pickles



Birchcroft
Goody and Mrs Hackee



Sutherland
Goody Tiptoes
 The tale of Tommy Tiptoes



Birchcroft
Guinea pigs

Hunca Munca – The tale of two bad mice



Lenox USA 1996



Lenox USA 1996



Sutherland



The Thimble Guild 2014
 70 years of Potters death 2014



1994

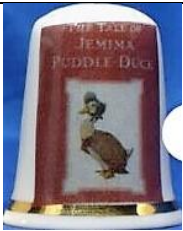


silver-plated pewter 2003



1994

Jemima Puddleduck – The tale of Jemima Puddleduck



Birchcroft
Book cover



Crummles UK 1989
 enamelled



Jacqui Walker UK 1997
 crocheted



Lenox USA 1996



Reutter Germany L: 2001



Sutherland



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The Thimble Guild 2013
 70 years of Potters death



Wedgwood 1983

	no photo		
gold painted apex	silver-plated pewter 2003	silver-plated Korea 1993	thimble holder

Johnny Town Mouse – The tale of Johnny Town Mouse

			
Sutherland	The Thimble Guild	The Thimble Guild 2015	gold painted apex

			
Birchcroft Kep The tale of Mr Jeremy Fisher	The Thimble Guild Kitty in Boots book cover	Lenox USA 1996 Lady Mouse	Sutherland Lucie The tale of Mrs Tiggy Winkle


Sutherland Lucinda The tale of two bad mice

Little Pig Robinson - The Tale of Little Pig Robinson

		no photo
Sutherland	The Thimble Guild 2014	silver-plated pewter 2003

Miss Moppet – The story of Miss Moppet

			
Birchcroft	Birchcroft Miss Moppet and Mittens	Lenox USA 1996	Sutherland



Sutherland
Mouse
The story of Miss Moppet



Sutherland
The Mouse Tailor
The tailor of Gloucester



The Thimble Guild 2014
The Mouse who had too many children in a shoe



Lenox USA 1996
Mr Alderman Ptolem



Lenox USA 1996
Mr Fox



Mr Fox
70 years of Potters death 2013



Sutherland
Mr Jackson
The tale of Mrs Tittlemouse

Mr Jeremy Fisher - The tale of Mr Jeremy Fisher



Crummles UK 1989
enamelled



Lenox USA 1996



Sutherland



The Thimble Guild 2014
70 years of Potters death



1994



silver-plated pewter 2003



gold painted apex



Mr Pricklepin 2014
Applely Dapplys nursery rhymes



Sutherland
Mr Tod



Birchcroft
Mrs Rabbit



Mrs Rabbit 2015



Birchcroft
Mrs Tabitha Twitchit



Sutherland
Mrs Tabitha Twitchit
The tale of Tom Kitten

Mrs Tiggy Winkle The tale of Mrs Tiggle Winkle

				
<u>Birchcroft</u>		<u>Lenox USA 1996</u>		<u>Sutherland</u>
				
<u>Wedgwood 1983</u>		<u>1994</u>		<u>gold painted apex</u>

Mrs Tittlemouse - The tale of Mrs Tittlemouse

			
<u>Sutherland</u>	<u>The Thimble Guild 2015</u>	<u>silver-plated pewter 2003</u>	<u>2015</u>

Old Brown The tale of Squirrel Nutkin

		
<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>Lenox USA 1996</u>	<u>Sutherland</u>



		
<u>Lenox USA 1996</u> Old Mr Benjamin Bunny	<u>Sutherland</u> Old Mr Benjamin Bunny The tale of Benjamin Bunny	<u>Sutherland</u> Older Mr Benjamin Bunny The tale of the Flopsy Bunnies

Old Mrs Rabbit The tale of Peter Rabbit


		
<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>Lenox USA 1996</u>	<u>Sutherland</u>

Pigling Bland The tale of Pigling Bland





 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Pigling Bland and Alexander</p>	 <p><u>Lenox</u> USA 1996</p>	 <p><u>Sutherland</u></p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2014</p>
 <p>silver-plated pewter 2003</p>			

 <p><u>Sutherland</u> Pig Wig The tale of Pigling Bland</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Ripley</p>
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Ribby - The tale of the pie and the patty pan

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Cousin Tibby</p>	 <p><u>Lenox</u> USA 1996</p>	 <p><u>Sutherland</u></p>	<p>no photo</p> <p>silver-plated pewter 2003 Cousin Tibby</p>
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Samuel Whiskers - The tale of Two Bad Mice

 <p><u>Lenox</u> USA 1996</p>	 <p><u>Sutherland</u></p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2014</p>	 <p>silver-plated pewter 2003</p>
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 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Simpkin the cat</p>	 <p><u>Sutherland</u> Simpkin the cat The Tailor of Gloucester</p>	 <p><u>Sutherland</u> Sir Isaac Newton The tale of Mr Jeremy Fisher</p>
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Squirrel Nutkin – The tale of Squirrel Nutkin

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> book cover</p>	 <p><u>Lenox USA</u> 1996</p>	 <p><u>Sutherland</u></p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2014 70 years of Potters death</p>
 <p>1994</p>	 <p>gold painted apex</p>	 <p>gold-plated pewter 2003</p>	

 <p><u>Sutherland</u> Susan The tale of Little Pig Robinson</p>



The Tailor of Gloucester – The Tailor of Gloucester

 <p><u>Crumles UK</u> 1985 enamelled</p>	 <p><u>Lindner Germany</u> 2001</p>	 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u></p>	 <p><u>Wedgwood</u> 1983</p>
 <p>gold-plated Korea 1993 limited to 200</p>	 <p>gold painted apex</p>	 <p>gold-plated pewter 2003</p>	 <p>Peter Rabbit and friends 100 years 1994</p>

Timmy Tiptoes – The tale of Timmy Tiptoes

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>Sutherland</u></p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2015</p>
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Timmy Willie – The tale of Johnny Town Mouse

 <p><u>Sutherland</u></p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild 2015</u></p>
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Tom Kitten – The tale of Tom Kitten

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>Lenox USA 1996</u></p>	 <p><u>Reutter Germany 2001</u> Tom Kitten and his sisters</p>
 <p><u>Reutter Germany 2001</u></p>	 <p><u>Sutherland</u></p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild 2014</u> 70 years of Potters death 2014</p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild 2014</u> 70 years of Potters death</p>
 <p>1994</p>	 <p>silver-plated pewter 2003</p>		

Tom Thumb – The tale of Two Bad Mice

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>
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Tommy Brock The tale of Mr Tod

 <p><u>Lenox USA 1996</u></p>	 <p><u>Sutherland</u></p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild 2014</u> 70 years of Potters death</p>
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Two Bad Mice – The tale of Two Bad Mice

 <p><u>Crummles</u> UK 1989 enamelled</p>	 <p>2014</p>	 <p>gold painted apex</p>
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THOMAS THE TANK ENGINE Wilbur Awdry 1946 (UK)

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2014 Thomas the tank engine 30th anniversary</p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2015 Thomas the tank engine 70 years</p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2015 Thomas the tank engine 70 years Three railway engines</p>
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TREASURE ISLAND Robert Louis Stevenson 1883 (UK)



 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> book</p>	 <p><u>Fort USA</u> Pirate Las Vegas</p>	 <p><u>Fort USA</u> Pirate</p>	 <p><u>Sutherland</u> 1983 Hispaniola</p>
 <p><u>Sutherland</u> 1983 pieces of eight</p>	 <p><u>Sutherland</u></p>	 <p>Treasure Island Fort Las Vegas est. 1993</p>	
			

THE WIND IN THE WILLOWS Kenneth Grahame 1908 (UK)
 the illustrations by Ernest Shepard are those used on the thimbles below

Badger

 <p><u>Berkshire</u> breakfast at Badgers</p>	 <p><u>Berkshire</u> Badgers little place</p>	 <p><u>Caverswall</u> 1983 limited to 250</p>	 <p><u>Heirloom</u> USA</p>
 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u> riverbank</p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u></p>	 <p><u>Royal Albert</u> 1987</p>	 <p><u>St Justin Cornwall</u> nesting</p>
 <p><u>The Thimble Garden</u> UK 100th anniversary</p>		 <p>On a small brass plate, neatly engraved, they could read by the light of the moonlight 1984</p>	

Mole

 <p><u>Berkshire</u> picnic</p>	 <p><u>Berkshire</u> seach for Portly</p>	 <p><u>Carol Ann Miniatures</u> picnic</p>	 <p><u>Caverswall</u> 1983 limited to 250</p>
 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u> picnic</p>	 <p><u>Royal Albert</u> 1987</p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Garden</u> UK 100th anniversary</p>	 <p>Mole gasped, "Oh my Oh my:!" at each revelation 1984</p>

Ratty

 <p><u>Berkshire picnic</u></p>	 <p><u>Caverswall 1983 limited to 250</u></p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u></p>	 <p><u>Royal Albert 1987</u></p>
 <p><u>The Thimble Garden UK 100th anniversary</u></p>	 <p><u>Thimbles n Things UK</u></p>	 <p>There is absolutely nothing half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats 1984</p>	 <p>Very well sang boy, cried the rat heartily. And now come along in and warm yourself 1984</p>

Toad

 <p><u>Berkshire</u></p>	 <p><u>Berkshire</u></p>	 <p><u>Berkshire</u></p>	 <p><u>Berkshire</u></p>
 <p><u>Berkshire gypsy caravan</u></p>	 <p><u>Berkshire Toads escape</u></p>	 <p><u>Berkshire Toad speaks</u></p>	 <p><u>Caverswall 1983 limited to 250</u></p>
 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u></p>	 <p><u>Royal Albert 1987</u></p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Garden UK 100th anniversary</u></p>	 <p>Toad with a quaking heart, but as firm a footstep as he could command, Toad set fort cautiously.</p>
 <p>I wonder, Toad said to himself presently, I wonder if this sort of car starts easily</p>	 <p>Oh sir, said Toad crying afresh, I am a poor washerwoman and Ive lost all my money</p>	 <p>Prisoner. Pull yourself together. Its going to be twenty years for you this time</p>	 <p>Shout hooray For its a Toads great day. He sang very load with great unction</p>



The boat had run aground and the barge-woman was gesticulating wildly and shouting, Stop, stop, stop



Theres real life for you, bedded in that little cart. The open road, the dusty highway



To the panic stricken weasels the hall seemed full of monstrous animals

Weasel



Heirloom USA



McMillan & Wife



Others



Berkshire
Barge woman



McMillan & Wife
Field mice carolling



Berkshire
Over the bank they went



Berkshire
Take those things off



The Thimble Garden UK
car **thimble holder**
100th anniversary



The Thimble Guild
set of 12



Birchcroft
book

WINNIE THE POOH A A Milne 1926 (UK)

Pooh

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Pooh and Christopher with drum</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Pooh and friends at sunset</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Pooh and Piglet hold hands</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Good morning</p>
 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> I may not be perfect but I'm always me!</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Pooh meets Piglet</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Pooh and friends outdoors</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Pooh and friends outdoors</p>
 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Pooh and friends</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> outdoors "What day is it?" asked Pooh. "It's today," squeaked Piglet. "My favorite day," said Pooh.</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Today I will not stress over things I cannot control</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> with balloons</p>
 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>Blacktop China</u></p>	 <p><u>Enesco 2004</u> Lets go for a wander enamelled</p>
 <p><u>Fort</u></p>	 <p><u>Lenox USA 1996</u> honey pot</p>	 <p><u>Lenox USA 1996</u></p>	 <p><u>Lenox USA 1996</u></p>
 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u></p>	 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u> Santa hat</p>	 <p><u>Timothy Burton Burtwell</u> UK 1997 Pooh and Piglet sterling silver</p>	 <p><u>Timothy Burton Burtwell</u> UK Pooh with balloon sterling silver</p>

 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> Little William</p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2016 commemorating 60 years since Milnes death</p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2016 commemorating 90 years since Pooh created</p>	
 <p>Pooh and Piglet attend Miss Piggy and Kermit concert</p>	 <p>Happy Easter 2016</p>	 <p>Poohs Easter egg</p>	 <p>Happy New Year 2017</p>
 <p>Happy New Year, Owl, Pooh Let S hope it's a hoot</p>	 <p>Winnie-the-Pooh MEETS THE KING 2022</p>	 <p>Merry Christmas from Winnie-the-Pooh and Piglet</p>	 <p>Pooh and Queen Elizabeth celebrate their 95th birthday 2021</p>
		 <p>Pooh with Queen Elizabeth and Prince George on her 90th birthday 2016</p>	

Christopher Robin

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Eeyore</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> playing Poohsticks with Pooh</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u></p>
 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> Happy Easter 2017</p>	 <p><u>Timothy Burton Burtwell</u> UK 1997 Christopher and Pooh sterling silver</p>		

Eeyore



Blacktop China



Sterling Classic



Kanga



Birchcroft



Sterling Classic

Owl



Birchcroft 2020



Birchcroft



Blacktop China



Lenox USA 1996



Piglet



Blacktop China



Lenox USA 1996



Sterling Classic



Rabbit



Blacktop China





Sterling Classic



Tigger

 <p><u>Blacktop China</u></p>	 <p><u>Fort</u></p>	 <p><u>Lenox USA 1996</u></p>	 <p><u>Lenox USA 1996 pumpkin</u></p>
 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u></p>	 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u></p>		

THE WOMBLES OF WIMBLEDON Elizabeth Beresford 1968 (UK)

 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild 2013</u> 40 years since the Wombles first appeared on TV</p>
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THE WONDERFUL WIZARD OF OZ Frank Baum 1900 (UK)

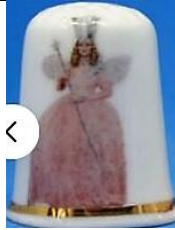
Dorothy

 <p><u>Birchcroft 2014</u> Dorothy and Lion 75 years</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Dorothy and Toto movie</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Dorothy and the Wicked Witch</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Dorothy and the Wicked Witch</p>
 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Dorothy and the Wicked Witch</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Ruby slippers</p>	 <p><u>Comstock Creations USA 2000</u> 60 years</p>
 <p><u>Comstock Creations USA 2000</u> Ruby slippers 60 years</p>	 <p>Ruby slippers</p>	 <p>Ruby slippers 1990 Taiwan</p>	

Glinda



Birchcroft



Birchcroft
The good fairy



Comstock Creations USA 2000
60 years

Others



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Almira Glitch
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Cowardly Lion
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Emerald City
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Flying Monkey
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Hot air balloon
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Scarecrow
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
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Talking apple tree
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
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Tin Man
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Tin Man
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Toto in basket
60 years



Birchcroft
Wicked Witch



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Wicked Witch
60 years



Birchcroft
Wizard of Oz 75th anniversary 2014



The Thimble Guild
Wizard of Oz 75th anniversary 2014



Wedgwood 1989

OTHER BOOKS CHARACTERS

 <p>101 dalmations Dodie Smith 1956 (UK)</p>	 <p>The Adventures of Blinky Bill Dorothy Wells 1939 (Australia) handpainted <u>Jan Milton</u></p>	 <p>Billy Bunter Charles Hamilton 1908 (UK) Billy Bunter of Greyfriars School 65th anniversary 2017</p>	 <p>The Famous Five Enid Blyton 1942 (UK) <u>Birchcroft</u></p>
 <p>Flambards K. M. Peyton 1967 (UK)</p>	 <p>Ginger Meggs Jim Bancks 1921 (Australia) handpainted <u>Jan Milton</u></p>	 <p>Heidi Johanna Spyri 1880 (Switzerland) <u>Reutter</u> 1998 Peter and Heidi</p>	 <p>Little house on the prairie Laura Ingalls Wilder 1935 (US) 150th anniversary of her birth 2017</p>
 <p>Swallows and amazons Arthur Ransome 1930 (UK) 2017 book</p>		 <p>The tiger who came to tea Judith Kerr 1923 (Germany) 2013</p>	

NURSERY RHYMES

English, mainly from 18th century – tho one dates back over 500 years.

I have seen proverbs on thimbles as described nursery rhymes, which they aren't.

About 50% of nursery rhymes are not featured on thimbles – these seem the most popular, listed here.

As I was going to St Ives I met a man with seven wives (1730)



Baa baa black sheep have you any wool (1744)



Birchcroft



James Swann & Son 1992
enamelled sterling silver



McMillan & Wife 1984



Moorland Miniatures



Stephen Frost Warwick Models



Sterling Classic



maple wood 2003



2007



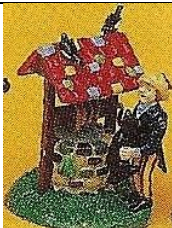
1989

Baby baby Bunting daddys gone a hunting (1784)



Francesca 1984

Ding dong bell pussys in the well (1580)



Minnie Maria Co 1998



Moorland Miniatures 1990



Stephen Frost Warwick Models 1996

Doctor Foster went to Gloucester (1844)

 <p><u>James Swann & Son</u> 1992 enamelled sterling silver</p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u> 1984</p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u> 1990</p>	
 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u></p>	 <p>maple wood 2003</p>	 <p>1989</p>	 <p>2001</p>

Georgie Porgie pudding and pie (1741)

 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u></p>	
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Goosey goosey gander whither shall I wander (1784)


 <p><u>James Swann & Son</u> 1992 enamelled sterling silver</p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u> 1986</p>	 <p>maple wood 2003</p>	
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Hey diddle diddle the cat and the fiddle (1765)

 <p><u>Boulder Bay</u> USA</p>	 <p><u>Brad Elfrink</u> USA</p>	 <p><u>Gail Boekel</u> USA handpainted</p>	 <p><u>Ketcham & McDougall</u> USA sterling silver</p>	
 <p><u>Mark Models</u></p>	 <p><u>Mark Models</u> 2004 2007</p>		 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u> 1984 (L)</p>	

 <p>McMillan & Wife</p>	 <p>Minnie Maria Co 1990</p>	 <p>Nicholas Gish USA 1983</p>	 <p>Pugwash Canada 1994</p>
 <p>Ray Nimmo UK 2020 sterling silver engraving Keith Raes</p>		 <p>Simons USA sterling silver</p>	
 <p>Sterling Classic</p>	 <p>maple wood 2002</p>	 <p>2001</p>	 <p>2007</p>
 <p>Hey diddle diddle the cat and the fiddle 2010</p>	 <p>The cow jumped over the moon 2010</p>	 <p>The little dog laughed to see such fun 2010</p>	 <p>And the dish ran away with the spoon 2010</p>

Hickety Pickety my black hen

 <p>McMillan & Wife 1985</p>
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Hickory dickory dock the mouse ran up the clock (1744)

 <p><u>Caverswall</u></p>	 <p><u>Garrard & Co 1998</u> sterling silver</p>	 <p><u>Jacqui and David Parker (Olivia) UK</u></p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife 1984</u></p>
 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures 1994</u></p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures 1991</u></p>	 <p><u>Vale Wales</u></p>	 <p><u>Tick tock 2007</u></p>

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall (1797)

 <p><u>Academy Collection 1995</u></p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft 1994</u></p>	 <p><u>Cavalier Collectables 2007</u></p>	 <p><u>James Swann & Son 1992</u> enamelled sterling silver</p>
 <p><u>John</u> handpainted Mr and Mrs</p>	 <p><u>Mark Models 1987</u></p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u></p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife 1984</u></p>
 <p><u>Minnie Maria Co 1996</u></p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures ... and the Kings men</u></p>	 <p><u>Nicholas Gish USA</u></p>	
 <p><u>Ray Nimmo UK 2020</u> sterling silver engraving Keith Raes</p>	 <p><u>Rowena Souvenirs 2005</u></p>	 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models L: 1996</u></p>	 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u></p>

 <u>Thimble Craft Shirley Hewitt</u>	 maple wood 2002	 resin	 gold-painted apex
 2004	 2007	 2001	 Pincushion Edwarding sterling silver
 2012	 2001		

Jack and Jill went up the hill (1765)

 <u>Brad Elfrink USA articulated</u>	 Mark Models 1983	 McMillan & Wife	
 <u>Minnie Maria Co 1998</u>	 <u>Moorland Miniatures 1990</u>	 <u>Moorland Miniatures 1997</u>	 Sterling Classic
 maple wood 2002	 2001	 2007	 2012
			

Jack be nimble Jack be quick (1815)



Enesco
resin

Jack Sprat could eat no fat (1639)



James Swann & Son 1992
enamelled sterling silver



Moorland Miniatures 1990



1989

Ladybird ladybird fly away home (1744)



Mark Models 1997



Mark Models 2001

Little Bo-Peep has lost her sheep (1805)



Birchcroft



Gwahaniaeth Crafts Wales
2002



Minnie Maria Co 1998



Moorland Miniatures 1995



Moorland Miniatures




2007



2010

Little boy blue come blow your horn (1744)

 <p><u>Brad Elfrink</u> USA</p>	 <p><u>Enesco</u> resin</p>	 <p><u>Gwahaniaeth Crafts</u> Wales 2002</p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u> 1984</p>
 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u> 1991</p>	 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick</u> <u>Models</u></p>	 <p><u>Vale</u> Wales</p>	 <p>ay Blue come blow</p>
			

Little Jack Horner sat in the corner (1765)

 <p><u>Mark Models</u> 1987</p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u> 1984</p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u> 1990</p>	 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick</u> <u>Models</u></p>
 <p><u>Vale</u> Wales</p>	 <p>Little Jack Horner</p>		

Little Miss Muffet sat on a tuffet (1805)



Caverswall



Birchcroft



Enesco
resin



Enesco
resin



Mandy Page UK
polyclay



Mark Models



McMillan & Wife 1984



Moorland Miniatures



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models



Ray Nimmo UK 2020
sterling silver
engraving Keith Raes



maple wood 2002



2007



2001





1989

Mary, Mary, quite contrary how does your garden grow (1744)

 <p><u>Enesco resin</u></p>	 <p><u>Gwahaniaeth Crafts Wales</u></p>	 <p><u>James Swann & Son 1992 enamelled sterling silver</u></p>	 <p><u>McMillan & wife 1984</u></p>
 <p><u>Minnie Maria Co</u></p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u></p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u></p>	 <p><u>Pugwash Canada 1994</u></p>
 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u></p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild gold-painted apex 2006</u></p>	 <p><u>Vale Wales</u></p>	
 <p><u>maple wood 2003</u></p>			
 <p><u>gold-painted apex</u></p>		 <p>1988</p>	

Old King Cole was a merry old soul and a merry old soul was he (1709)

 <p><u>McMillan & Wife 1984</u></p>	 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u></p>
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Old Mother Hubbard went to the cupboard (1805)

 <p><u>James Swann & Son</u> 1992 enamelled sterling silver</p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u></p>	 <p><u>Minnie Maria Co</u> 1996</p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u> 1991</p>
 <p><u>Thimble Craft Shirley Hewitt</u></p>	 <p><u>VY</u> handpainted</p>	 <p>gold-painted apex</p>	 <p>1998</p>

Pat a cake, pat a cake bakers man (1698)

 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u> 1994</p>	
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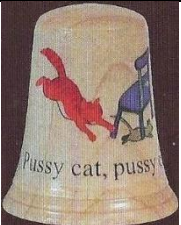

Peter, Peter, pumpkin eater had a wife and couldn't keep her (1825)

 <p>2012</p>

Polly put the kettle on (1803)

 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u> 1985</p>
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Pussy cat, pussy cat where have you been (1805)

 <p>maple wood 2002</p>	 <p>2001</p>
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The queen of hearts she baked some tarts (1782)



Caverswall

Ride a cock horse to Banbury Cross (1784)



James Swann & Son 1992
enamelled sterling silver



Minnie Maria Co



gold-painted apex



1998

Ring a ring o roses a pocket full of posies (1840s)



Caverswall



Moorland Miniatures 1994



2001



maple wood 2003



2007



2014

Rock a bye baby in the tree top (1765)



Comstock Creations USA



Moorland Miniatures



Sterling Classic



Hush a bye baby ... 2014

Rub a dub dub three men in a tub (1798)

 <p><u>Brad Elfrink USA</u></p>	 <p><u>James Swann & Son 1992</u> enamelled sterling silver</p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife 1984</u></p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u></p>
 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u></p>	 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u></p>	 <p><u>VY</u> handpainted</p>	 <p>gold-painted apex</p>
			

See saw Margery Daw (1765)

 <p>thimble is brought to you by miniatures of Devon. They are pewter and individually hand p Ref: T123591 £25.95 Handcraft NEW Handpainted English</p> <p><u>Carol Ann Miniatures 2016</u></p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u></p>	 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u></p>	 <p>NEW See saw, Margery Daw Johnny shall have a new master</p> <p>2014</p>
			

Simple Simon met a pieman (1764)

 <p><u>Enesco</u> resin</p>	 <p><u>Ray Nimmo UK 2020</u> sterling silver engraving Keith Raes</p>	 <p>2007</p>
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Sing a song of sixpence a pocket full of rye (1744)

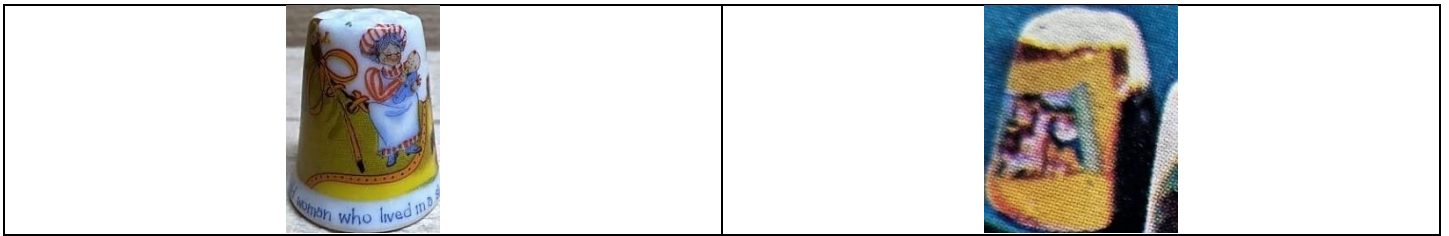
 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u> 1984 ... four and twenty blackbirds baked in a pie</p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u></p>	 <p><u>Pugwash</u> Canada 1994</p>	 <p><u>Seagull Pewter</u> Canada 1994</p>
 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u></p>	 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u></p>	 <p>1989</p>	 <p>2007</p>

There was a crooked man and he went a crooked mile (1842)

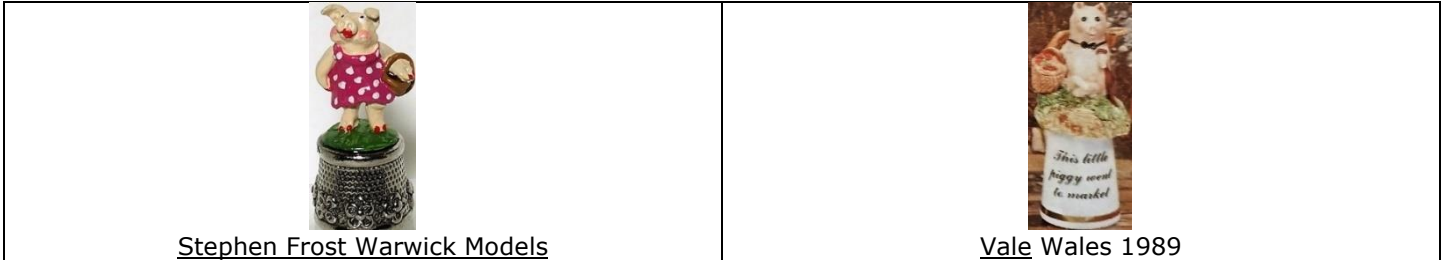
 <p><u>mcMillan & Wife</u> 1984</p>	 <p><u>Minnie Maria Co</u> 1998</p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u></p>	 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u></p>
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There was an old woman who lived in a shoe (1784)

 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u></p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u> 1983</p>	 <p><u>Minnie Maria Co</u></p>	
 <p><u>Nicholas Gish</u> USA</p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u></p>		
 <p><u>Pugwash</u> Canada 1994</p>	 <p><u>Robert Earwicker Cottage</u> China 1993</p>	 <p><u>S.H.D.</u> USA 1985</p>	 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u> 1994</p>



This little piggy went to market (1760)



Stephen Frost Warwick Models

Vale Wales 1989

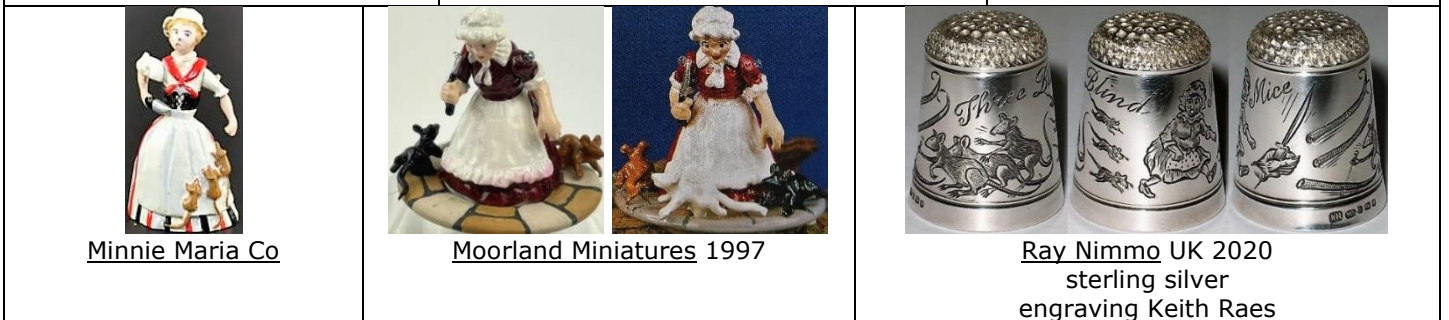
Three blind mice, three blind mice see how they run (1609)



Caverswall

Halcyon Days UK

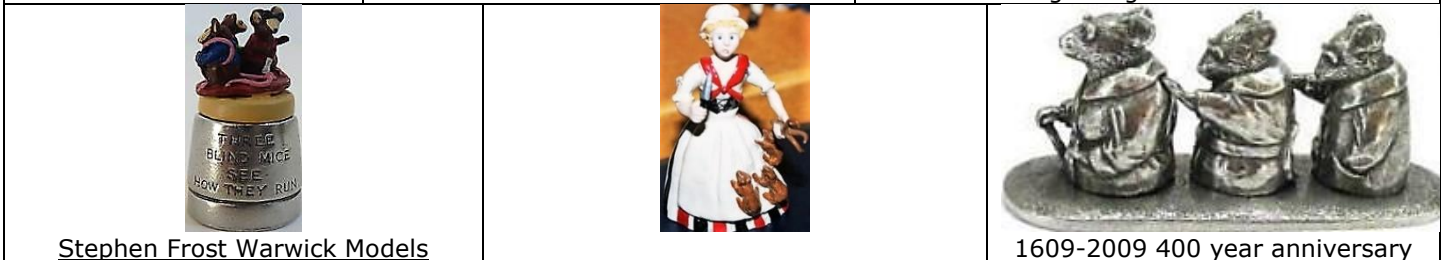
McMillan & Wife



Minnie Maria Co

Moorland Miniatures 1997

Ray Nimmo UK 2020
sterling silver
engraving Keith Raes



Stephen Frost Warwick Models

1609-2009 400 year anniversary



maple wood 2002

2001

2012

Three little kittens who lost their mittens (1841)



2012

Tom, Tom, the pipers son stole a pig and away did run (1795)



James Swann & Son 1992
enamelled sterling silver



Sterling Classic



Thimble Craft Shirley Hewitt 1996



McMillan & Wife 1984



gold-painted apex



1988



Wee Willie Winky runs through the town (1841)



McMillan & Wife 1984



Stephen Frost Warwick Models

FABLES AND FAIRY TALES

The Owl and the pussycat by Edward Lear was not written for children
 Studio Steinböck's set of fairy tales contains 12 thimbles – Franklin Mints contain 25 thimbles. Both have
 the fairy tale portrayed all around the thimble – space here only allows for one view



Which two fairy tales are depicted on these two Franklin Mint 1982 thimbles?

Aladdin and the wonderful lamp Middle East

 Birchcroft movie poster	 Stephen Frost Warwick Models 2002 I am your genie	 Lenox USA	 2006
 movie			

Beauty and the beast French

 Birchcroft	 James Swann & Son sterling silver	 Lenox USA Beast	 Lenox USA
 Lenox USA	 1990	 Belle	 movie
 movie poster			

The boy and the heron
 Brothers Grimm
 also known as The heron and the iris



Roger Lenain France 1970
 sterling silver

The boy who cried wolf
 Aesop
 also known as The wolf and the shepherd



Alfred Féau France 1895
 sterling silver



2006

Brer Rabbit
 African-American



Wedgwood 1989

Cinderella
 Perrault



Angela Mamontova Russia
 handpainted



Birchcroft
 movie posters



Franklin Mint USA
 1982



Lenox USA



Lenox USA



Lenox USA
Jac and Gus



Lindner Germany 1987

 <p><u>Nicholas Gish</u> USA</p>	 <p><u>Royal Worcester</u> 1982 ballet</p>	 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick</u> Models</p>	 <p><u>S.H.D.</u> USA</p>
 <p><u>S.H.D.</u> USA 1985 Fairy Godmother</p>	 <p><u>S.H.D.</u> USA pumpkin coach</p>	 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u> over Ullmannsglass</p>	
 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u> Gus</p>	 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u> Jac</p>	 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u> Prince Charming</p>	 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u> Ugly Sisters</p>
 <p><u>Studio Steinböck</u> Austria enamelled</p>	 <p><u>Walt Disney</u> 1988</p>	 <p><u>Wedgwood</u> 1989</p>	 <p>1998</p>
 <p>Cinderella dancing with Prince – <u>Ugly Sisters</u> 2003</p>	 <p>pumpkin coach <u>Russian handpainted wood</u> 2009</p>	 <p>Fairy godmother 1995 movie</p>	
 <p>Fairy Godmother</p>	 <p>pumpkin coach</p>	 <p>Storyland</p>	

Dick Whittington and his cat
English



Meg and John Unwin Scotland
wood



Minne Maria Miniatures



Sterling Classic

The dog and its reflection
Aesop



2006

The dog and the sparrow
Brothers Grimm



Franklin Mint USA 1982

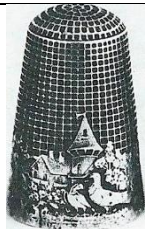
Donkey skin
Perrault



Studio Steinböck Austria 1987
enamelled



Doves
Italian
also known as The two pigeons



Roger Lenain France 1910
sterling silver

The eagle and the fox

Aesop



Roger Lenain France 1910 1970
sterling silver

The elves and the shoemaker

Brothers Grimm



Franklin Mint USA 1982



Ladybird book cover 2013

The fisherman and his wife

Brothers Grimm



Franklin Mint USA 1982

The Fitchers bird

Brothers Grimm



Franklin Mint USA 1982

The fox and the crow

Aesop

also known as The crow and the pitcher



Roger Lenain France 1970
sterling silver



2005

The fox and the stork
 Aesop
 also known as The fox and the crane



Roger Lenain France 1900
 sterling silver

The frog prince
 Brothers Grimm



Carolyn Cameron Australia
 1996
 breaddough



D.E 1988



Franklin Mint USA 1982



Lindner Germany 1997



Mandy Page UK
 polyclay



S.D.P. 1985



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models



Studio Steinböck Austria
 1987
 enamelled



Russian handpainted wood



wood

The gingerbread man
 American



Mandy Page UK
 polyclay





Ladybird book cover 2013


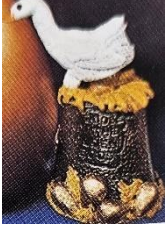



Goldilocks and the three bears
English

 <p><u>Ann Sullivan</u> UK handpainted</p>	 <p><u>Brad Elfrink</u> USA</p>	 <p><u>Danbury Mint</u> USA</p>	 <p><u>Enesco</u> Papa Bear – Mama Bear – Baby Bear – Lucylocks</p>
 <p><u>James Swann & Son</u> 1990 sterling silver</p>	 <p><u>Whimbles by Wade</u> UK</p>	 <p><u>Wedgwood</u> 1989</p>	
			

The goose girl
Brothers Grimm

 <p><u>Franklin Mint</u> USA</p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u> 1984</p>
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The goose that laid the golden eggs
Aesop

 <p><u>Franklin Mint</u> USA 1982</p>	 <p><u>Mark Models</u> 2001</p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u> 1983 three leaf clover on apex</p>	 <p><u>Nicholas Gish</u> USA</p>
 <p>2005</p>			

Hans in luck
Brothers Grimm



Franklin Mint USA 1982

Hansel and Gretel
Brothers Grimm



Birchcroft



Brad Elfrink USA



Carol Ann Miniatures 2016



Danbury Mint USA



Franklin Mint USA 1982



Lindner



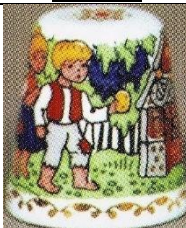
McMillan & Wife



Minnie Maria Miniatures



Stephen Frost Warwick Models



Studio Steinböck Austria
1987
enamelled



Sutherland 1983
b&w photo



Thorvald Greif Germany
1997
sterling silver



Wedgwood 1989



Russian handpainted wood
2009



1998

Jack and the beanstalk
Aesop



Sterling Classic



Wedgwood 1989

King Thrushbeard
Brothers Grimm



Franklin Mint USA 1982

The lion and the mouse
Aesop



2005

Little Briar Rose
Brothers Grimm



Franklin Mint USA 1982

The little mermaid
Hans Christian Andersen

the statue of the same name in Copenhagen thimbles, are included

<p><u>Birchcroft</u> Ariel and book</p>	<p><u>Birchcroft</u> Eric and book</p>	<p><u>Birchcroft</u> Flounder</p>	<p><u>Birchcroft</u> Scuttle</p>		
<p><u>Birchcroft</u> Sebastian</p>	<p><u>Birchcroft</u> Ursula</p>	<p><u>Felix Morel</u> UK 1991</p>			
<p><u>Lenox</u> USA</p>	<p><u>Hurley</u> USA handpainted</p>	<p><u>Moorland Pewter</u> 1997</p>	<p><u>Royal Copenhagen</u> Den lille havfrue</p>		

 <p><u>Siegfried Flitsch</u> 1985 <u>Kobenhavn</u></p>	 <p><u>Sir Francis</u> 1988</p>	 <p><u>Topazio Portugal</u> silverplate</p>	 <p><u>Ariel</u></p>
 <p>movie posters</p>	 <p>The little mermaid Copenhagen 2003</p>		
			

Little Red Riding Hood
Europe

 <p><u>Ann Sullivan</u> UK handpainted</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>Brad Elfrink</u> USA</p>	 <p><u>Danbury Mint</u> USA</p>
 <p><u>Enesco</u> Little Red Riding Hood - Big bad wolf- Grandma - Woodcutter</p>	 <p><u>Enesco</u></p>	 <p><u>Franklin Mint</u> USA 1982</p>	 <p><u>Justin Levi</u> France 1910s sterling silver</p>
 <p><u>Mary Tyler Castings</u> UK stacking</p>	 <p><u>Minnie Maria Miniatures</u></p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u></p>	 <p><u>Robert Earwicker</u> 1994</p>

 <p><u>Studio Steinböck</u> Austria 1987 enamelled</p>	 <p><u>VY</u> 1988 handpainted</p>	 <p><u>Wedgwood</u> 1989</p>	
	 <p>1998</p>	 <p>2007</p>	
 <p>Russian handpainted wood 1999</p>	 <p>Russian handpainted wood 2011</p>	 <p>Russian handpainted wood</p>	 <p>handpainted</p>
 <p>Hull style</p>			

The milkmaid and her pail

Aesop

 <p><u>Roger Lenain</u> France 1970 sterling silver</p>
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The monkey and the cat

Fontaine

 <p><u>Rene Lorillon</u> France 1913 sterling silver</p>

The monkey and the magic lantern

Florian



Justin Lenain France 1970 restrrike
sterling silver

Mother Holle

Brothers Grimm

also known as Mother Hulde



Franklin Mint USA 1982



Studio Steinböck Austria 1987
enamelled

The peasants wise daughter

Brothers Grimm



Franklin Mint USA 1982

The Pied Piper of Hamelin

Brothers Grimm



McMillan & Wife



Wedgwood 1989

The princess and the pea

Hans Christian Andersen



Heirloom Editions USA



McMillan & Wife 1987



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models



Puss in Boots
Europe

 <p><u>A E Williams UK 2004</u></p>	 <p><u>Carol Ann Miniatures 2016</u></p>	 <p><u>Danbury Mint USA</u></p>	 <p><u>Freiberger Germany</u></p>
 <p><u>James Swann & Sons 1992</u> sterling silver</p>	 <p><u>Lenox USA</u></p>	 <p><u>Lindner Germany 1997</u></p>	 <p><u>Minnie Maria Miniatures</u></p>
 <p><u>Roger Lenain France 1970</u> sterling silver</p>	 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u></p>	 <p><u>Studio Steinböck Austria 1987</u> enamelled</p>	 <p><u>Whimbles by Wade UK</u></p>
 <p><u>Movie 2011</u></p>	 <p><u>Russian bronze</u></p>	 <p><u>Russian handpainted wood 2004</u></p>	 <p><u>Russian handpainted wood 2009</u></p>

The queen bee
Brothers Grimm

 <p><u>Franklin Mint USA 1982</u></p>
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Rapunzel
Brothers Grimm

 <p>Franklin Mint USA 1982</p>	 <p>Lenox USA 1994</p>	 <p>Moorland Miniatures</p>	<p>no photo</p> <p>Lenox USA</p>
			

Rumpelstiltskin
Brothers Grimm


 <p>Brad Elfrink USA</p>	 <p>Franklin Mint USA 1982</p>	 <p>Lindner Germany 1997</p>	 <p>Studio Steinböck Austria 1987 enamelled</p>
 <p>Wedgwood 1989</p>			




















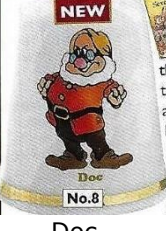









Sleeping Beauty
French

 <p>Birchcroft Fauna</p>	 <p>Birchcroft Good Fairy Flora</p>	 <p>Birchcroft Maleficent</p>	 <p>Birchcroft Merryweather</p>
 <p>Birchcroft Prince Phillip</p>	 <p>Birchcroft Princess Aurora</p>	 <p>Birchcroft Sleeping Beauty</p>	 <p>Birchcroft movie poster</p>

			
<u>James Swann & Son</u> 1992 sterling silver	<u>Lenox</u> USA	<u>McMillan & Wife</u>	<u>Moorland Miniatures</u>
			
<u>Museum Collection</u>	<u>Royal Worcester</u> 1982 ballet	<u>Sterling Classic</u> over Ullmannsglass	<u>Studio Steinböck</u> Austria 1987 enamelled
			
<u>Sutherland</u> 1983 b&w photo	<u>Wedgwood</u> 1989		Russian handpainted wood 1999

Snow White and the seven dwarfs
Brothers Grimm

			
<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>Cornish Enamels</u>	<u>Franklin Mint</u> USA 1982	<u>James Swann & Son</u> 1992 sterling silver
			
<u>Lenox</u> USA with fawn	<u>Lenox</u> USA Dopey Doc	<u>Lenox</u> USA fawn	<u>Lenox</u> USA witch
			
<u>Lenox</u> USA	<u>Lenox</u> USA	<u>Reutter</u>	<u>Reutter</u>

 <p>Schmid</p>	<p>no photo</p> <p>Sterling Classic Bashful</p>	 <p>Sterling Classic Doc</p>	 <p>Sterling Classic Dopey</p>			
 <p>Sterling Classic Grumpy</p>	 <p>Sterling Classic Sleepy</p>	<p>no photo</p> <p>Sterling Classic Sleepy</p>	 <p>Sterling Classic Sneezy</p>			
 <p>Sterling Classic on Ullmann glass</p>	 <p>Sterling Classic</p>	 <p>Sterling Classic</p>	 <p>Studio Steinböck Austria 1987 enameled</p>			
 <p>VY 1988 handpainted</p>	 <p>Walt Disney 1988</p>	 <p>Wedgwood 1989</p>	 <p>Russian handpainted wood 2003</p>			
 <p>Russian handpainted wood 1999</p>	 <p>2009</p>		 <p>Bashful</p>			
		 <p>Doc No.8</p>				
 <p>Dopey</p>				 <p>Grumpy</p>		 <p>Grumpy No.2</p>



Star money
Brothers Grimm



The three little pigs
English



Thumbelina
Hans Christian Andersen



Nicholas Gish USA
gilt apex set



2005

Tom Thumb
English



Roger Lenain France 1970
sterling silver

The tortoise and the hare
Aesop



Nenthorn UK 2006
b&w photo



Roger Lenain France 1970
sterling silver



2005

Town musicians of Bremen
Brothers Grimm



Franklin Mint USA 1982



Studio Steinböck Austria 1987
enamelled



Thorvald Grief Germany 1988
sterling silver
limited to **500**

Trusty John
Brothers Grimm



Franklin Mint USA 1982

The ugly duckling
Hans Christian Andersen



2005

The wolf and seven kids
Brothers Grimm



Franklin Mint USA 1982

The wolf and the lamb
Aesop



Réne Lorillon France 1910

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