## Easter thimbles

There is a growing trend to have collections within thimble collections and a small, specialised themed area is Easter thimbles. For thimbles to fit within this category they should be dated. This then qualifies them both as commemorative as well as Easter thimbles.

The *Thimble Guild* of Biggar in Scotland has featured Easter thimbles in their catalogues over the years. These seem to be undated or only produced for one year. If the thimbles are not branded, it is difficult to track the makers after the event.

## **Hazel Armstrong**

polymer clay - Cumbria, UK



Easter 2016 undated bunny with carrots

#### **Lorraine Bates**

china – Woodsetton, UK see also: Woodsetton thimbles topic



1984

	Easter 1987 22ct gold egg atop b&w image	
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#### **Debbie Beam**

handpainted wood - Edgecomb, Maine USA



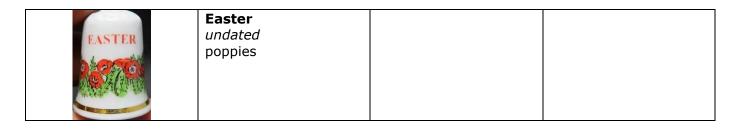
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#### **Birchcroft**

fine bone china – UK

HAPPY	Happy Easter undated lamb	EASTER	Easter undated ducklings
EASTER	Easter undated daffodils	EASTER	Easter undated chick



#### **Bronte**

fine bone china - UK

EASTER 20007	Easter 2000 chicken family	LUTER 2003	Easter 2000 birds
EASTER 200	pigs	TASTER 2000	Easter 2000 birds
TEASTER 2000	Easter 2000 birds		Easter basket with eggs and chicks

#### **Jenny Blair Designs**

frosted glass cased in silver – York, UK see also: Jenny Blair thimbles topic

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Easter (1993) with four abalone eggs

#### Caverswall

China – Longton, Stoke-on-Trent UK John Chown founded Caverswall

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handpainted pewter USA **Easter** 

#### **Cornish Thimbles**

china - Cornwall, UK



Easter 2005



Easter 2012

Joy Darius handpainted china



**Easter** undated

Gili Davis

handpainted china - South Africa - died 2015



Happy Easter 2004



Easter 2013 only 15 painted

EASTER 2004

#### Val de Vries

handpainted china or wood - Clare, South Australia









Easter 2005



**Easter** undated

#### **Nance Dunne**

handpainted china - Arizona, USA



Easter 1997



**Easter** undated

#### Sally Eaglesham

china - Scotland

designer for The Thimble Guild



Easter 2006 undated

Enesco

bisque porcelain



Easter 1985 created by Ruth Morehead



**Easter** *undated*eggs in many pastel colours



Easter 1991



**Easter** undated

Easter 1991	Easter undated basket of eggs
Easter 1991 bunny in basket	

#### **Finsbury**

fine bone china - UK



Happy Easter 1988 undated pair

see also Sutherland

#### Frika

English fine bone china - Netherlands



Vrolijke paasen 1992 undated b&w photo

## **Stephen Frost** – Warwick Models

handpainted articulated pewter – Warwick, UK previously the chief modeller for McMillan & Wife



Easter 1994 undated





Easter 1996 undated

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#### **Gallo Pewter**

**USA** 



**Easter 1992** signed E Vincent

## Ginnie (Virginia Wellman)

handpainted porcelain - USA



Easter 1990 undated

#### **Nicholas Gish**

part-painted articulated pewter - USA - died 2006



1997





Happy Easter 1990

#### **The Good Company**

porcelain – Woodland Hills, California USA a division of Applause



Easter 1989



Easter 1989

#### **Gwahaniaeth Crafts** (Bryn & Doris Weightman)

handpainted clay over metal - Wales

mainly figural



Easter 1989 undated



**Easter** golly with Easter egg

#### Hazrah (Safinah, Mariam and Sarah)

handmade and handpainted bronze - St Louis, Mauritius

see also: Hazrah thimbles topic



Easter 2007 undated



Happy Easter in Mauritius undated





**Easter** undated

#### **Heritage Collection**

sterling silver - UK

in Australia, Heritage Collections marketed hallmarked these thimbles each issue has the maker's mark of a different silversmith - all were assayed in Birmingham. All are lightweight (.999 silver) and boxed with authenticity numbered, certificates some certificates attest that they were made for the Australian market others would have been made for the British and American markets

once the thimble is removed from the box, they lose the connection with Heritage Collection





Easter 1975 Ammonite Ltd (ALtd) 2500 made for Australia L: 1000 silver gilt





Easter 1983 Charles Owen George (COG) 2500 made for Australia 1000 silver gilt



Easter 1978 Ammonite Ltd (ALtd) different from 1983 daffs



Easter undated stamped 'silver'



**Easter 1978**Ammonit
e Ltd
(ALtd)





**Easter 1984** BL 2500 made for Australia

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Easter 1982 Ammonit e Ltd (ALtd)

#### **Hurley Porcelain**

thimbles were handpainted by Wendy Bowen of New York; and others as indicated. Bowen was trained at Royal Worcester. Hurley Porcelain ceased production in 1981



1978



#### **Tilly Kadletz**

handpainted lacquer on brass- Nadelberg, Austria, using Settmacher thimbles – handpainted thimbles done by US painters



#### Lindner

porcelain - Bavaria, Germany





#### **Marienela Miniatures**

Handmade, polymer clay



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#### **Masons Ironstone**

UK

see: Learn More About Thimbles for more on this thimble maker



#### **Julie Menzies**

handpainted china - Scotland



#### **Felix Morel**

various metals - Pulteney Bridge, Bath UK see also: Felix Morel thimble topic



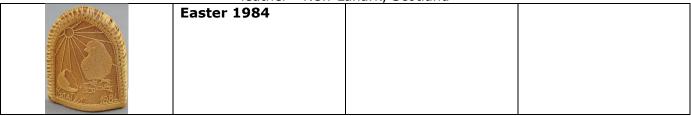
#### **MOT** (Martha Shaw)

handpainted wood - she paints in folk-art style - Anderson, South Carolina USA

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#### **Ronnie Parker**

leather - New Lanark, Scotland



**Mandy Page** polyclay over metal - Sussex, England





Easter 2001 undated

#### **Graham Payne**

handpainted china – Worcester, UK see also: Graham Payne thimble topic



Easter 1982



Easter 1986

#### **Rachel Pugh**

china – Scotland designe<mark>r for The Thimb</mark>le Guild



2003

	Easter 2001 undated	LIMITED TO 100	Easter 2003 limited to 100
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Easter 2002 - March 31st	Easter 2002 - March 31st		

**Roba** (Dolores Robaczewski) handpainted china - USA

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Easter 1985 limited to 2000		

#### **Nikki Shaw**

handpainted glass - Glass Attic Somerset, UK

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Easter 2004 undated		

#### **John C Spray**

handpainted glass - Leicester, UK

Easter 1997 undated	net t, with adds glass	Easter 2004 undated
Easter 2003 undated		

#### **Sutherland**

china - UK



Easter 1997 undated 'Hunting the Easter eggs'



**Happy Easter** undated

see also: Finsbury

## James Swann & Sons (JS&S)

enamelled sterling silver - Birmingham, UK







**Easter** 2003 hallmark date



Easter 2003 hallmark date limited to 125

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**Swann Thimbles** (S(T)) sterling silver – Birmingham, UK



Easter 2003 hallmark date

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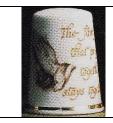
china - Scotland

Easter 2006 bunny with daffodils	The Control of the Co	Easter 2011 undated
Easter 2008 undated		

**Ullmannglass** crystal – Bavaria, Germany see also: Glass thimbles topic

	Easter 1994	
	undated	
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# **Meg Urwin** (Thimbleworld) bone china – Kelso, Scotland



Easter 1993 undated



**Easter 1993** undated 'The glory of Easter' 'Love supreme life eternal'

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#### **Jacqueline Walker**

crochet - Coventry, UK

Easter 1987 undated raffia b&w photo	SVEHILY, OK	Easter 2002 undated
Easter 1990 undated		

Woodsetton Peeps
brass - Gill and David Bates - Dudley, UK
see also: Woodsetton thimbles topic

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	Easter 1997 undated pewter	Easter 2017	Easter 2017 lilies
	Easter 2003 undated Moscow	Happy Easter April 2017	Happy Easter April 2017

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	Easter 2008 undated		Easter Undated Easter bunny
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# Happy Easter 2015



**Easter** undated black bunny

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