

(TCC) Hallmarked Thimbles of the World's Great Porcelain Houses

Thimble Collectors' Club (TCC)

After the success of the 1980 Franklin Mint Porcelain Houses of the World set of thimbles known as **Thimbles of the World's Greatest Porcelain Houses**, this set of 50 thimbles, entitled **The Hallmarked Thimbles of the World's Great Porcelain Houses** was commissioned by the Thimble Collectors Club in 1985. The striking difference between this set and the earlier one, is that the thimble design is largely made up of the enlarged backstamp, registered mark or hallmark of the porcelain house being portrayed.

Obviously, there are a few thimble houses that are duplicated from the first set, but this collection is more representative of the large range of firms making thimbles in the mid-1980s - a decade later most of them no longer produced thimbles or even existed. This list also reflects many of the thimble houses that formed part of the Thimble Collectors Club, who issued monthly thimbles to the members of their Club. As well as issuing monthly thimbles, the TCC also offered special sets for sale. This Hallmarked set is one of many offered.

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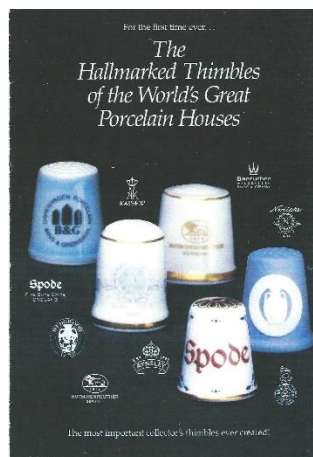
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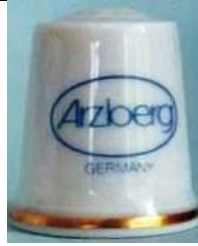


USA brochure

UK CLUB THIMBLE SET OF 50



Arita-Gold Imari
porcelain
Arita, Japan
featured in the US set under 'Gold Imari'



Arzberg
porcelain
Germany



Aynsley
china
England



Bareuther
porcelain
Bavaria, Germany



Bing & Grondahl
porcelain
Denmark



Caverswall
fine bone china
England



Coalport
bone china
Stoke-on-Trent, England



Crown Staffordshire
china
England



Fukagawa
porcelain
Japan



Gerold
porcelain
Bavaria,
W-Germany



Hammersley
bone china
England



Haviland
porcelain
Limoges, France



Hutschenreuther
porcelain
Germany



Kaiser
porcelain
Germany
two different shades of blue



Lang Ebrach
porcelain
Bavaria, Germany
self-patterned flower apex



Langenthal
porcelain
Switzerland
featured in the US set under 'Suisse
Langenthal'



Limoges Castel
porcelain
France



Longton Hall
china
England
Leaf-shaped thimble



Marlborough
china
England



Minton
china
England



Norden
porcelain
Copenhagen, Denmark



Oakley
fine bone china
England



Palissy
a division of Royal Worcester
Spode
china
England



Paragon
china
Stoke-on-Trent, England



Poole
fine bone china
Poole, England



Porcelaines de La Seynie
porcelain
Limoges, France



Quinta Nova
porcelain
Aveiro, Portugal



Renaissance
fine bone china
Stoke-on-Trent, England



Reutter
porcelain
Germany



Richard Ginori
porcelain
Italy



Rorstrand
porcelain
Sweden



Royal Albert
china
England



Royal Crown Derby
china
England



Royal Court
china
England



Royal Doulton
china
England



Royal Franconia
porcelain
Bavaria, Germany



Royal Grafton
china
England



Royal Kendal
fine bone china
Stoke-on-Trent, England
L: no gold band - R: gold band



Royal Mosa
porcelain
Netherlands
silver-painted apex



Royal Stuart
fine bone china
Ireland



Royal Tara
fine bone china
Galway, Ireland



Royal Worcester
fine bone china
England



Schwarzenhammer
porcelain
Germany



Shibata
porcelain
Japan



Spode
fine bone china
England



Sutherland
bone china
England

R: showing green variety of acanthus decoration



Victoria China
fine bone china
Stoke-on-Trent, England



Vista Alegre
porcelain
Vista Alegre, Portugal



Vohenstraus
porcelain
Bavaria, Germany
R: missing maker's name



Wedgwood
jasperware
England
lettering: Est 1759

UK CLUB THIMBLE CERTIFICATES

ARITA - GOLD IMARI

GOLD IMARI



ARITA

Arita, Japan
Founded early 1600s

The words "Arita" and "Gold Imari", and the Japanese sign for Arita rendered in gilt comprise the hallmark on the finest wares of one of Japan's most prestigious porcelain houses.

The first porcelain-makers in Japan were trained at the original Arita factory, where an entire village of Korean craftsmen were brought to work under the guidance of Korean master-potter, Ri-Sampeï, in the early 1600s. Sampei had discovered a native Japanese source of porcelain clay on the slopes of Mount Izumi. Soon Japanese artisans excelled in porcelain-making, as well as in the art of porcelain decorating.

The Chinese method of overglaze enamel decorating was introduced at Arita in 1664 by Sakaida Kakiemon, Japan's legendary porcelain decorator. The heritage of Kakiemon's brilliant colours and his understated style of decorating with sparsely applied motifs can be seen today.

COALPORT



BONE CHINA
COALPORT

Stoke-on-Trent, England
Founded 1750

From the crown hallmark to the golden leaf pattern trim, this thimble marks the history of one of England's most renowned china makers.

Coalport came into being in the mid 1700s, when Squire Brown began making "Salopian" earthenware at a pottery high above the River Severn. In 1799, ownership of the firm passed to the Rose brothers, John and Richard, who made the transition to fine bone china production.

During the early 1800s, Coalport built a reputation for beautiful flower-decorated ornamental wares, and in 1820 gained a Royal Society of Arts Gold Medal.

Royal recognition came to Coalport during the Victorian era. In 1845, Queen Victoria commissioned the firm to create a lavishly decorated dessert service. The set was displayed at the great 1851 Crystal Palace exhibition in London, representing the epitome of British design. It was later presented as a state gift to Czar Nicholas I of Russia.

HAMMERSLEY



Stoke-on-Trent, England
Founded circa 1860

Local and national pride are reflected in the distinctive Hammersley hallmark, which combines an acorn, oak leaves and a crown. It has been the symbol of one of England's most prestigious makers since the mid 1800s.

The Hammersley family has been creating magnificent china for nearly three centuries. Its formal ware has carried the heraldry of many of England's most historic regiments, as well as of royalty. The firm's proud hallmark appears on table services used at Oxford colleges, the houses of the aristocracy, and the famous Ritz hotel in London.

Knowledgeable collectors from many nations are eager to acquire pieces bearing the Hammersley hallmark. Its designers are recognised for their ability faithfully to translate the forms and colours of fine art to pieces as small as this thimble and as large as a serving platter.

The house of Hammersley is located in Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire, in the centre of one of the most renowned porcelain areas in the world.

HAVILAND



Haviland

Haviland, France
Founded 1842

The Haviland family can be traced back to a document dated 1066 which reports that the Lord "de Havylland" left Normandy to take part in the battle of Hastings. The family coat-of-arms used on Haviland porcelain today is virtually unchanged from that carried by William Haviland when he accompanied Richard the Lionheart on a crusade.

Much later, in 1821 the family emigrated to New York where David Haviland set up a business importing porcelain from England. Recognising a need to offer customers a wider range of wares he visited Limoges in France. In 1842, impressed by the quality of undecorated porcelain being produced in Limoges he moved to live there and set up his first china decoration workshop. By producing dinner services specially designed for the United States market the company rapidly became successful. In 1853 Haviland was entrusted with the creation of Franklin Pierce's dinner service and subsequently services were produced for Lincoln, Grant, Hayes and F.D. Roosevelt.

In 1865 the company started to manufacture its own white china as well as decorating. Up to 1870 the company's designs changed little but the emergence of new art styles at that time prompted Haviland to produce exciting new designs, first in "Art Nouveau" then later in "Art Deco" style. These styles made admirable use of Haviland's skill at reproducing ancient Chinese finishes, such as celadon and ivory, rediscovered only after persistent research by the company. Haviland's unquestionable technical skill and use of great artists such as Cocteau, Lurcat and Yves Brayer has made it one of the world's finest porcelain houses.

LANG EBRACH



Bavaria, West Germany
Founded 1778

The simple crown that is seen on all Lang Ebrach ware has existed in various forms since the foundation of the china industry in Thuringia in 1772 and emphasises its early connections with the Princes of the region.

The porcelain house now known as Irmgard Lang, Porzellanfabrik Ebrach has been producing fine dinnerware and gift items since its founding in 1778. In that year the family of Von Hopfgarten enlisted the support of the Princes of Sachsen-Meinigen and Schwarzburg-Sondershausen to build a china factory in Thuringia in the region of Grossbreitenbach, today part of East Germany.

Later, the factory was taken over by the famous Thuringian manufacturer of chinaware, Greiner, and became known as Messrs. Buhl and Soehne. The last owner was Moritz Freitag, the father of the current proprietor, Irmgard Lang.

After the Second World War, the family were forced to leave Thuringia for political reasons and in 1953 they moved to Ebrach in Bavaria, Western Germany and rebuilt the factory of Moritz Freitag under the name of Irmgard Lang. The company has grown steadily and now has the capacity to produce 10,000 pieces per day.

LONGTON HALL



Longton Hall, England
Founded Ca. 1750

Unlike the houses of Spode and Wedgwood, some of the founders of the English porcelain tradition have not survived to the present day. One of our greatest losses must be Longton Hall, the first porcelain factory in this country.

Around 1750, William Jenkinson announced that he had obtained 'the art, secret and mystery of making a certain porcelain ware in imitation of china' and set about establishing a pottery at Longton Hall, between Stone and Newcastle-under-Lyme, in Staffordshire. Taking into partnership William Littler, an experienced potter, and William Nicklin, a lawyer, Jenkinson started making figurines of elephants, lions and birds which showed great promise. These were followed by tableware, and an identifiable Longton Hall style began to develop.

Sadly, Longton Hall was short-lived. Jenkinson retired in 1753 and despite finding new partners, Littler was forced to close the pottery in 1760, probably due to lack of capital.

It is a shame that modern collectors should be denied the lost names of England's china making heritage. This thimble is in memory of the beginnings of the greatness of English china and porcelain. It is generally believed that the characteristic hallmark of Longton Hall – two Ls crossed – signified Littler and Longton.

PARAGON



PARAGON

Stoke-on-Trent, England
Founded 1899

Originally known as the Star China Co., this long-established china company was founded by Herbert Aynsley, the son of the founder of Aynsley China.

In 1903 the company introduced a new line called Paragon China, which was so overwhelmingly successful that in 1919 the company changed its name to that of its best known creation.

Known primarily for elegant tea sets and reproductions of classic period pieces, Paragon is now noted for commemorative pieces as well as delicate tableware, and has since 1919 attracted much admiration as well as three Royal Warrants of appointment from successive Queens, being first chartered by Queen Mary. This royal relationship has led to the tradition of Paragon producing a celebratory piece for every royal occasion.

Your thimble is circled by Paragon's unusual "torch" backstamp, and is a testament to a heritage of excellence.

POOLE



Poole, England
Founded 1873

A stylised Dolphin is the distinctive hallmark of Poole Pottery Ltd. The tradition of pottery production on Poole Quay goes back to 1870, although the present Poole Pottery's origins really lie in the work of Owen Carter who started making his famous lustre tiles and other pieces there at the turn of the century. Production increased during and after the First World War, when the wares from the Poole pottery became known for their strong designs. Owen died in 1921, although in the years to come the Carter family continued their close association with the company. After 1921 Truda Carter was responsible for many designs and produced most of the characteristic floral patterns.

The Poole factory was very much design orientated, unusual for such a small factory, and their pieces were greatly influenced by contemporary tastes in furnishings and architecture. During the twenties and thirties, Poole Pottery was renowned for its sound styling and quality of workmanship. By about 1936 modern tableware began to account for the major part of its production.

During the Second World War production was often interrupted by air raid alerts at Poole, a wartime flying boat base, and part of the works was occupied by B.O.A.C. After the war a new factory was built with the latest technological innovations and the works were again extended in the 1970's to include a new manufacturing unit, a showroom, retail shop and pottery museum.

Porcelaines



de La Seynie

Limoges, France
Founded 1774

A stylised "LS" hallmark denotes the La Seynie porcelain house of France. La Seynie was the name of the manor owned by Jean Baptiste Joseph du Garreau and was situated in the vicinity of Saint Yrieix, which lies just south of Limoges.

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Version 2

QUINTA NOVA

**Aveiro, Portugal
Founded 1979**

An eagle above the initials QN is the hallmark of Porcelanas De Quinta Nova, founded in 1979 by a large ceramics group. The eagle was chosen for its large wingspan and ability to fly at high altitude thus symbolising the company's aims to reach great heights across a wide market. The Quinta Nova factory lies in the region of Aveiro, the centre of Portugal's porcelain industry.

The pristine whiteness of this thimble is characteristic of Quinta Nova porcelain. It is the result of the fine clay found in Portugal's Aveiro region, which has exceptional properties. With this clay as a base, artisans and artists work in close harmony at the factory to create works of extraordinary quality and beauty.

With a plant of 32,000 square metres the Quinta Nova factory is one of the largest of its kind to have been built in Europe in the last decade. The company employs 450 workers and has the capacity to produce 50,000 pieces per day.

With the dedication to excellence exhibited by Quinta Nova the company have very quickly established a world-wide reputation for its high quality porcelain, mainly tableware, produced with modern technology and equipment. Indeed they now export seventy per cent of their production to more than 25 countries in 5 continents.

Quinta Nova currently hold a position that they not only wish to hold on to, but now wish to consolidate. They believe that continued growth lies in the evolution of technology and in their quality and design. It is these three factors, combined with wise investment in both equipment and human resources that will lead them towards the accomplishment of their objectives.

Renaissance

**Fine Bone China
Made in England**

**Stoke-on-Trent, England
Founded 1974**

The stylised 'Renaissance' is the simple hallmark of Renaissance International Limited. The company was founded in 1974 as the Renaissance Design Studios by Howard J. Wedgwood, a potter with 30 years experience, together with two Staffordshire businessmen, Barry Nurser and John Key. The company later changed its name to Renaissance International Ltd. with Barry Nurser as its Proprietor and Chairman.

Renaissance in the classical sense of the word, is re-birth. The spirit of Renaissance fine bone china is the re-birth of all the traditional artistry and skills that has made Staffordshire china famous over the centuries. Clay modelling and craftsmanship have established the Stoke-on-Trent potteries as the world's undisputed ceramics centre. Fine bone china is by tradition made in England and at Renaissance they use only the hand-skills of dedicated artists and craftsmen to produce each piece.

Today Renaissance have established a world-wide reputation for delicately detailed figurines and other fine work. Each of the Renaissance figurines are individually free-hand painted. This is highly-skilled work requiring very well trained and experienced artists. Closely examine any Renaissance figurine and you will fully appreciate the words 'Hand-made and free-hand-painted'.

In the same way, all pieces bearing the distinctive Renaissance backstamp offer the collector the same high standards of quality and craftsmanship.

ROYAL COURT

ROYAL COURT
Fine English Bone China

**England
Founded 1876**

Royal Court, of England, is part of the Royal Grafton group of companies which has been making high quality porcelain in the Potteries for more than 100 years.

For many years there have been connections between the Royal households and famous china and porcelain manufacturers, and Royal patronage has resulted in the addition of the word 'Royal' to many established names.

Royal Court products were first made for the Canadian market which has a deep love of chinaware. More recently, special ranges of fine bone china tableware have been produced for the discerning German market and to satisfy the demand in Japan for traditional English chinaware.

Thimbles, however, are new to the pottery's range of excellence, and we are privileged here to bring you one of their very first!

ROYAL KENDAL



Royal Kendal

FINE BONE CHINA
MADE IN ENGLAND

Stoke-on-Trent, England
Founded 1975

The stylised 'Royal Kendal' and Crown is the simple hallmark of Royal Kendal. The company was founded in 1975 as part of Hudson and Middleton Ltd.

The Royal Kendal thimble epitomises the beauty and craftsmanship that are associated with the company's chinaware, produced at Sutherland Works, in Longton, Stoke-on-Trent. Despite the comparatively recent formation of Royal Kendal, pottery has been manufactured at the Sutherland Works site for over 140 years. At one time it consisted of two factories, one making earthenware and one producing bone china, the two separate entrance-arches still being evident.

The Sutherland Works was first owned by Skelton and Plant who started business around 1834. The site was later occupied by William Hudson & Co. who in 1941 merged with J.H. Middleton & Co. to form Hudson and Middleton Ltd.

Today Royal Kendal is one of the leading names among the fine bone china houses in Stoke-on-Trent. Skilled craftsmen and women hand cast, decorate and hand gild each thimble, following the tradition which stretches back in the Sutherland Works some 140 years. The company makes considerable exports to both Europe and North America.

ROYAL TARA



Royal Tara
FINE BONE
CHINA
MADE IN IRELAND

Galway, Ireland
Founded 1951

Stately Tara Hall, overlooking the Bay of Galway in Ireland, is depicted in pastel tints of tan and green on the hallmark of Royal Tara. The Georgian mansion was once the home of wealthy Galway merchants. It now houses the kilns of one of Ireland's most distinguished makers of fine bone china.

The name Tara has a special meaning to Irishmen, since it figured prominently in local history. It has its roots in eastern Ireland, in County Meath on the Irish Sea. There, in about 2000 B.C., the Celts built Tara hill, a huge earthwork to defend themselves against hostile neighbours and invaders from the sea. There, too, was the original Tara Hall, home of a number of early Irish kings.

Royal Tara is a purveyor of china to royalty and discriminating collectors around the world. It is renowned for its intricate decoration, like the painting of Tara Hall on this thimble. The ornamentation is applied to the china after the initial high-temperature glazing. The pieces are then fired again at a lower temperature to protect the delicate pigments from fading in the intense heat.

SPODE



Spode

Fine Bone China
ENGLAND

Stoke-on-Trent, England
Founded 1770

For porcelain collectors around the world, the name "Spode" needs no introduction. The simple hallmark represents a firm that, for over 200 years, has been known for the extraordinary quality and artistry of its English bone china.

In fact, it was Josiah Spode II, son of the founder, who developed the original formula for English bone china. It called for six parts bone ash, four parts china stone and three and a half parts china clay. The result was a strong, chip-resistant hybrid porcelain with a desirable ivory-white colour.

The ornate decoration of early Spode porcelain is reflected by the griffin, depicted on the back of the thimble. A creature from Greek mythology, said to have stood guard over a large store of gold, the griffin had the head and wings of an eagle and the body of a lion. Other 19th-century Spode pieces were inspired by lavish Oriental patterns.

From the start, demand for Spode far exceeded supply. This prompted many other English porcelain makers to begin utilizing the bone china formula.

VICTORIA



Victoria
England

FINE BONE CHINA
MADE IN ENGLAND

England
Founded 1900

After many years as Works Manager at the famous Mason's factory, Glyn Jones and his wife set up on their own. So it was that the Victoria China Company began life in a small workshop at the rear of the Post Office and general store in the beautiful little village of Caverswall. Because of Mr. Jones's skill and vast experience, the business quickly expanded and the works moved to a larger premises. Then in 1979 a further move was necessary to cope with increased demand and the present factory at Fenton, once a separate town and now a district of Stoke-on-Trent, was acquired and the Victoria China Company was formally founded.

Further expansion took place when Mr. Jones's brother joined the company and fine hand-painted bird and animal figurines began to be produced under the name of Countryside Design Studio.

Whilst both companies flourish, the small team of highly skilled craftsmen who produce the wide range of porcelain goods take immense pride in maintaining the very highest standards of workmanship which is the hallmark of Victoria china.

VISTA ALEGRE



Vista Alegre
Portugal

Vista Alegre, Portugal
Founded 1824

Among collectors, the initials "VA" denote Portugal's first and foremost porcelain house, Vista Alegre. The 1824 date on the hallmark commemorates the year in which the firm was founded by José Ferreira Pinto Basto. The other date, 1984, recalls the gala 160th birthday celebration when a travelling exhibition of Vista Alegre works toured the country and new designs were unveiled.

This thimble is the product of the fine clay found in Portugal's Aveiro region, which has exceptional properties. With this clay as a base, artisans and artists work in close harmony at the factory to create works of extraordinary quality and beauty.

The prestige which Vista Alegre enjoys is world-wide. For many years, the Portuguese government has presented porcelain gifts created by the firm to visiting dignitaries. Vista Alegre porcelain is used in the palaces of European royalty and in the residences of many heads of state. Individual pieces are also displayed in leading international art museums.

VOHENSTRAUSS



Bavaria, West Germany
Founded 1901

The mighty "Friedrichsburg" castle is not only the hallmark of the porcelain house Vohenstrauß, but also the chosen emblem of the city of Vohenstrauß, a small town in eastern Bavaria very close to the Czechoslovakian border. The Pfalzgraf Friedrich began construction of the castle in 1586 and the work was completed in 1593. The castle has survived both the wars of the 16th and 20th centuries and two severe fires in 1763 and 1839.

Johann Seltmann founded the Vohenstrauß factory in 1901, starting with three roundovens. The number of ovens soon increased to eight and rather than bring in workers from outside Johann recruited experts from Thuringen to instruct the local populus in the skills of pottery. The company grew quickly and by 1914 the factory employed more than 500 workers, specialising in the production of good quality dinnerware and beautiful gift items.

Despite the setback of the Second World War, Vohenstrauß resumed production in 1946 and in 1950 the factory was modernised: the roundovens were replaced by gas fired tunnel-ovens. Vohenstrauß has steadily grown over the years and today employs some 350 workers. Their fine porcelain ware is as well known today overseas as it is in Germany.

US CLUB THIMBLE SET OF 55 (?)

These six are not mentioned in original promotional brochure – thimbles found are for Avonvale - Epiag - Moschendorf - Parbus - Royal Georgina - Vale

These ten are mentioned in original brochure but missing thimbles photos – were some of these dropped in favour of above?

Belleek Noritake Okura Pickard Porcelanas del Ampurdan Portmeirion Raynaud Royal Adderley Royal Alma Royal Tudor

Now we still have to discover which four of these are only missing photos or were never produced?

I now also have photos for Asmar (Spain) – Augarten (Vienna) – Dresden (Germany) – Lin (Japan) Lindner (Germany) – Pirkenhammer (Czechoslovakia).

Where they ever part of this set? Do they belong with the red group?

 <p>Avonvale china Tondu Wales</p>	 <p>Aynsley china England</p>	 <p>Bareuther porcelain Bavaria Germany</p>
<p>no photo</p> <p>Belleek porcelain Ireland</p>	 <p>Bing & Grondahl porcelain Denmark</p>	 <p>Coalport china England</p>
 <p>Crown Staffordshire china England</p>	 <p>Epiag D.F. porcelain Czechoslovakia</p>	 <p>Fukagawa porcelain Japan</p>
 <p>Gerold porcelain Bavaria W-Germany</p>	 <p>Gold Imari porcelain Arita Japan the UK set is marketed under 'Arita-Gold Imari'</p>	 <p>Hammersley bone china England</p>



Haviland Limoges
porcelain
Limoges France



Hutschenreuther
porcelain
Germany



Highland China
china
Scotland

two at right show variety in shapes or design



Kaiser
porcelain
Germany
two shades of blue



Meissen
porcelain
Germany



Minton
china
England



Moschendorf
Porcelain
Bavaria
West Germany



Norden
porcelain
Copenhagen Denmark

no photo

Noritake
porcelain
Japan



Oakley
fine bone china
England

no photo

Okura
porcelain
Japan



Palissy
a Division of Royal Worcester
Spode
china
England

 <p>Parbus porcelain W. Germany</p>	<p>no photo</p> <p>Pickard porcelain USA</p>	<p>no photo</p> <p>Porcelanas Del Ampurdan porcelain Spain</p>
<p>no photo</p> <p>Portmeirion Potteries china England</p>	<p>no photo</p> <p>Raynaud & Co porcelain Limoges France</p>	 <p>Reutter porcelain Germany</p>
 <p>Richard Ginori porcelain Italy</p>	 <p>Rorstrand porcelain Sweden</p>	<p>no photo</p> <p>Royal Adderley china England</p>
 <p>Royal Albert china England</p>	<p>no photo</p> <p>Royal Alma china England</p>	 <p>Royal Copenhagen porcelain Denmark</p>
 <p>Royal Crown Derby china England</p>	 <p>Royal Doulton china England</p>	 <p>Royal Franconia porcelain Bavaria Germany</p>



Royal Georgina
fine bone china
Ontario Canada



Royal Grafton
china
England



Royal Mosa
porcelain
Netherlands
silver-painted apex



Royal Stuart
fine bone china
Ireland



Royal Tara
fine bone Irish china
Galway Ireland

no photo

Royal Tudor
china
England



Schwarzenhammer
porcelain
Germany



Shibata
porcelain
Japan



Spode
fine bone china
England



Suisse Langenthal
porcelain
Switzerland
featured in the UK set under
'Langenthal'



Sutherland
bone china
England
R: showing green variety of acanthus decoration



Vale
fine china
Wales



Vista Alegre
porcelain
Portugal

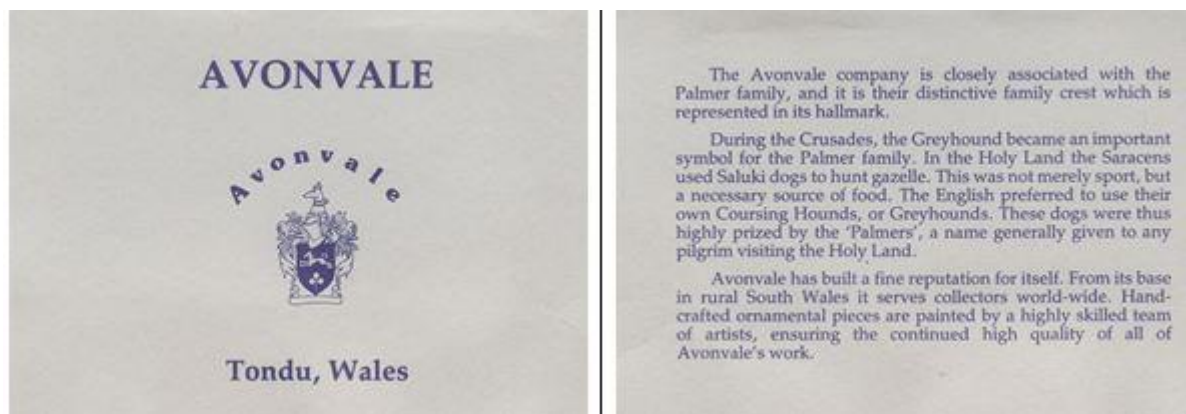


Waldenburg
porcelain
Silesia



Wedgwood
jasperware
England
lettering: Est 1759

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