

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</u> 1976 Tom Sawyer enamelled sterling silver

			
<u>Francesca</u> Tom Sawyer		<u>Sutherland</u> 1984 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</u> USA Alice and the Caterpillar
			
<u>Brad Elfrink</u> USA Alice and the Dodo	<u>Brad Elfrink</u> USA Alice and the Cheshire Cat	<u>Brad Elfrink</u> USA Alice and the White Rabbit	<u>Brad Elfrink</u> USA Alice and the Mad Hatter
			
<u>Hallmark Cards</u> USA 1995 Alice in Wonderland	<u>Harmer</u>	<u>Heirloom Editions</u> USA handpainted by CC Alice and the Knave of Hearts	<u>Iles & Gomms</u> Alice and the Dodo

 <p><u>Iles & Gomms</u> Alice and the Mad Hatters tea party</p>	 <p><u>Iles & Gomms</u> Alice and the Cheshire Cat Alice in Wonderland</p>	 <p><u>JK</u> Alice in Wonderland and the Mad Hatter</p>	 <p><u>Lucerne Wulf USA</u> sterling silver</p>
 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u> Alice and the Mad Hatter</p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u> Alice and the Lion and the Unicorn</p>	 <p><u>R.J.K. USA</u> Alice and the White Rabbit handpainted silver</p>	
 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Advice from the Caterpillar</p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and croquet match</p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Curiouser and curiouser</p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Dodo before the caucus</p>
 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Dodo we beg your pardon</p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Drink me</p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and Humpty Dumpty</p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> If it had grown up it would have made a dreadfully ugly child</p>
 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and the Mad Hatters tea party</p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and the Queen of Hearts Off with her head</p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and the Queen of Hearts Speak roughly to your little boy and beat him when he sneezes</p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and the deer</p>
 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and the golden crown</p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and the Lion and the Unicorn</p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and the White Knight</p>	 <p><u>Royal Grafton</u> Wont you join the dance</p>

 <p><u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u> 1988 (L) Drink me</p> <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>The Thimble Guild</u> Alice and the Dodo commemorating 100th anniversary the authors death 1998</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>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>Alice and Dodo We beg your acceptance of this elegant thimble</p>
 <p><u>Harmer Carpenter</u></p>	 <p><u>Harmer Carpenter</u></p>		

Cheshire Cat

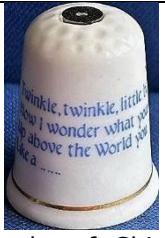
			
<u>Comstock Creations USA</u>	<u>Hallmark Cards USA 1998</u> <i>Alice in Wonderland</i>	<u>Harmer</u>	<u>Royal Grafton</u> It vanished quite lowly, beginning with the far end of its tail and ending with the grin

Dormouse

			
<u>Carol Ann Miniatures</u>	<u>Daniel Riccio US 1998</u> bronze	<u>Harmer</u>	<u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models 1988</u>

			
<u>Sterling Classic 1998 Duchess</u>	<u>Moorland Miniatures Old Father William</u>	<u>Royal Grafton Old Father William</u>	<u>Harmer Hand of cards</u>
			
<u>Birchcroft Herald</u>	<u>Royal Grafton Herald</u>	<u>Royal Grafton Jabberwocky</u>	<u>Harmer King of Hearts</u>

Mad Hatter

			
<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>Hallmark Cards USA 1996 Alice in Wonderland</u>	<u>Harmer</u>	<u>Healacraft China</u> 'Twinkle twinkle little bat how I wonder what you're at Up above the the world you fly, like a teatray in the sky <u>Woodsetton Peep'r of speech by Mad Hatter</u>
			
<u>Royal Grafton</u>	<u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models 1988</u>	<u>Sterling Classic 1998</u>	

March Hare

		
<u>Harmer</u>	<u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models 1998</u>	<u>Sterling Classic</u>

Queen of Hearts

		
<u>Harmer</u>	<u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models 1998</u>	<u>Sterling Classic 1998</u>

Tweedledum and Tweedledee

	
<u>Comstock Creations USA</u>	<u>Royal Grafton</u>

Walrus and the Carpenter



Harmer



McMillan & Wife



Royal Grafton

White Rabbit



Carol Ann Miniatures 2016



Hallmark Cards USA 1997
Alice in Wonderland



Harmer



Royal Grafton



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models 1998



Sterling Classic 2001



commemorating 150th
anniversary 2012



others



Royal Grafton
quote Twas brillig and the slithy toves

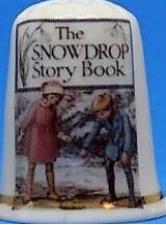
Harmer	McMillan & Wife	Royal Grafton

Stephen Frost Warwick Models 1998	Sterling Classic 2001	commemorating 150 th anniversary 2012	

ANNE OF GREEN GABLES Lucy Maude Montgomery 1908 (Canada)

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

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

 <u>Birchcroft</u> The Bluebell story book	 <u>Birchcroft</u> The Pansy story book	 <u>Birchcroft</u> The Snowdrop story book
--	---	--

BRAMBLEY HEDGE Jill Barklem 1980 (UK)

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

 Mrs Apple 1983 <u>Royal Doulton</u>	 Mrs Apple <u>Enesco</u> summer	 Mrs Apple on bramble jam pot pewter on ceramic	 Mrs Appleyard 2006 <u>Lindner</u>
 Mrs Toadflax on bramble jam pot pewter on ceramic	 Poppy on bramble jam pot pewter on ceramic	 Primrose 1983 <u>Royal Doulton</u>	 Spring 1982 <u>Royal Doulton</u>
 Summer 1982 <u>Royal Doulton</u>	 The little children 1983 <u>Royal Doulton</u>	 The wedding 1983 <u>Royal Doulton</u>	 Wilfred <u>Enesco</u> nursery basket
 Wilfred <u>Enesco</u> spring	 Wilfred 1983 <u>Royal Doulton</u>	 Winter 1982 <u>Royal Doulton</u>	 nursery basket <u>Enesco</u>

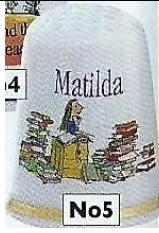
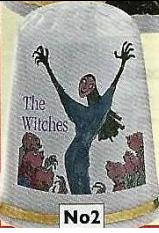
THE CAT IN THE HAT etc Dr Seuss 1957 (US)



bronze statue of the author and his character

Yertle the turtle			

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

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

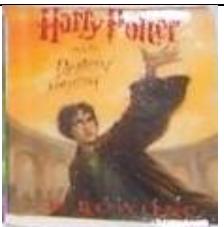
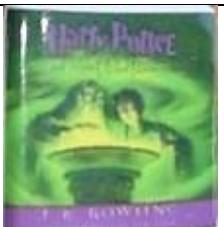
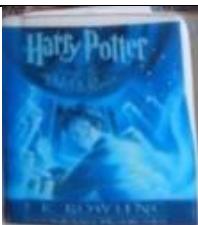
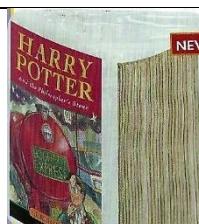
GUMNUT BABIES 1916 – SNUGGLEPOT AND CUDDLEPIE 1918 May Gibbs (Australia)

			
Royal Grafton 1994 Gumnut Babies			firehydrant
			
			Jan Milton handpainted Snugglepot Cuddlepie

HARRY POTTER J K Rowling 1997 (UK)



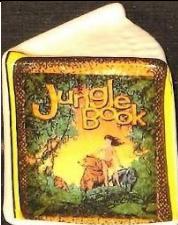
J K Rowling 'When you dream you can do what you like'

			
			
Birchcroft Oliver	Birchcroft Professor Dumbledore	Professor Dumbledore	Birchcroft Ron


Ron

THE JUNGLE BOOK Rudyard Kipling 1894 (UK)

			
Birchcroft Bagheera	Birchcroft Baloo	Lenox USA Baloo	Birchcroft Sue
			
Birchcroft Jungle book	Jungle book	Birchcroft Kaa	Birchcroft Little eElephant
			
Birchcroft Monkey	Birchcroft Mowgli	Birchcroft Rama	Birchcroft Sheer Khan



Birchcroft
The Apes



Birchcroft
The Colonel



Birchcroft
Vultures



Birchcroft
Yogi Bear and Booboo

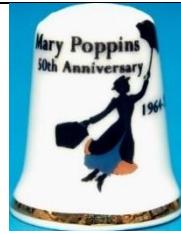
MARY POPPINS P L Travers 1933 (UK)



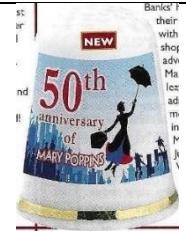
Birchcroft
Mary Poppins the musical poster



Sterling Classic



Mary Poppins 50th anniversary 1964-2014 2014

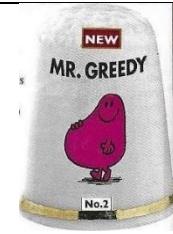


Mary Poppins 50th anniversary 1964-2014 2014

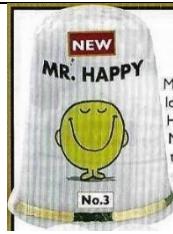
MR MEN Roger Hargreaves 1971 (UK)



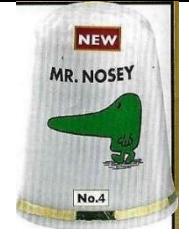
Mr Men 2016
celebrating 65th anniversary of Little Miss



Mr Greedy 2014



Mr Happy 2014



Mr Nosey 2014



Mr Tickle 2014



Mr Men 2016
A white Christmas

NODDY Enid Blyton 1949 (UK)



Great British authors Enid Blyton 1897-1968

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

			
silver-plated pewter 1998 plays golf	silver-plated pewter 1998 plays soccer	silver-plated pewter 1998 plays tennis	silver-plated pewter 1998 takes a trip



celebrating 50 years 2008

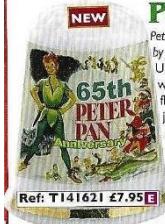


Christmas 2014



PETER PAN J M Barrie 1904 (UK)

Peter

			
<u>Ann Sullivan</u> UK handpainted	<u>Birchcroft</u> movie poster	<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>Colin Tyler</u> UK stacking thimble
			
<u>Fort</u> USA ...Maryland More than a restaurant	<u>Lenox</u> USA	<u>Walt Disney</u> 1988	<u>Woodsetton</u> UK 1989 peep
			
65 th anniversary 2018			movie poster

Captain Hook

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

Crocodile



Birchcroft



Colin Tyler UK
stacking thimble



The Thimble Guild 2005
100 year anniversary



Birchcroft
John



The Thimble Guild 2005
John
100 year anniversary



John



Birchcroft
Jolly Roger



Birchcroft
Michael



Michael



Birchcroft
Nana



Colin Tyler UK
Smee
stacking thimble



Birchcroft
Tiger Lily

Tinkerbell



Birchcroft



Colin Tyler UK
stacking thimble



Sterling Classic



The Thimble Guild 2005
100 year anniversary



Walt Disney 1988





Secret wings

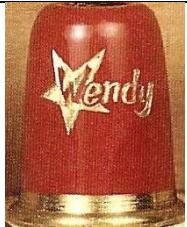
Wendy



Birchcroft



The Thimble Guild 2005
100 year anniversary



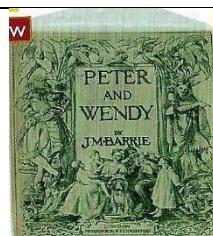
Woodsetton UK 1989
peep



Others



Birchcroft
Peter Pan and Never Land
book



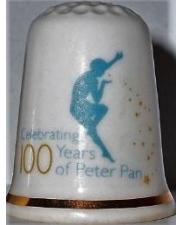
Birchcroft
Peter and Wendy by J.M.
Barrie book



Birchcroft



Birchcroft



The Thimble Guild 2005
Celebrating 100 years of Peter Pan Charity No 235825



The Thimble Guild
J.M. Barries Peter Pan 100 years

PINOCCHIO Carlo Collodi 1883 (Italy) Pinocchio



Ann Sullivan UK
handpainted



Birchcroft



McMillan & Wife



Q2 USA
handpainted wood



Italy
resin





Jiminy Cricket



Sterling Classic



Walt Disney 1988



RAGGEDY ANN - ANDY Johnny Gruelle 1915 (US)



Comstock Creations USA
Andy



Janet Pitts USA
Andy



Radnor
Andy



Birchcroft
Ann and Andy



Calico Cuties USA
handpainted



Comstock Creations USA
Ann



Janet Pitts USA
Ann



Moorland Miniatures 1996
Ann



Radnor UK
Ann



Ann 1990
handpainted



wood



Rupert

			
Birchcroft 100 year anniversary	Birchcroft	Birchcroft Christmas	Maureen Jones Silver Scenes Ltd Wales Full of glee hoping soon to see the sea
			
			
			
			
Rupert with Ping Pond and Bill			Rupert with Willie
			
Birchcroft Algy	Birchcroft Bill	Birchcroft Edward	Birchcroft Podgy



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)

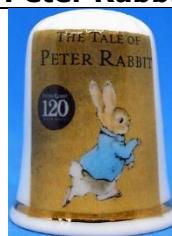


Frederick Warne & Co were the publisher of all her books. Their initials often appear inside many of these thimbles. Most of the characters portrayed were those drawn by Beatrix Potter in her 23 books.

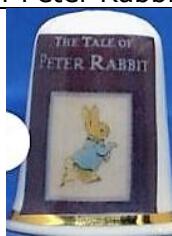
Peter Rabbit – The tale of Peter Rabbit



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

 <u>Sutherland</u> Amiable Guinea Pig Appley Dapplys nursery rhymes	 <u>Sutherland</u> Anna Maria The tale of Samuel Whiskers	 <u>Sutherland</u> Appley Dapply Appley Dapplys nursery rhymes
---	---	--

Benjamin Bunny – The tale of Benjamin Bunny

 <u>Birchcroft</u>	 <u>Lenox USA 1996</u>	 <u>Reutter Germany L: 2001</u>	 <u>Sutherland</u>
 <u>The Thimble Guild 2013</u> 70 years of Potters death	 <u>Wedgwood 1983</u>		

 <u>Lenox USA 1996</u> Cecily Parsley	 <u>Sutherland</u> Cecily Parsley	 <u>Lenox USA 1996</u> Dig Diggory Delvet
---	---	---

Duchess - The tale of the pie and the patty pan

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

 <u>Sutherland</u> The fierce bad rabbit The story of a fierce bad rabbit	 <u>Sutherland</u> Flopsy The tale of Flopsy bunnies	 <u>Wedgwood 1983</u> Flopsy	 <u>The Thimble Guild 2015</u> 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
enameled



Jacqui Walker UK 1997
crocheted



Lenox USA 1996



Reutter Germany L: 2001



Sutherland



The Thimble Guild 2013
70 years of Potters death



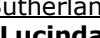
Wedgwood 1983

	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	Th an H a f Ref: T128571 £7.95	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 Miss Moppet	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 lived 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
enameled



Lenox USA 1996



Sutherland



The Thimble Guild 2014
70 years of Potters death



1994



silver-plated pewter 2003



gold painted apex



Mr Pricklepin 2014
Appleby 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



Birchcroft



Lenox USA 1996



Sutherland



Wedgwood 1983



1994



gold painted apex

Mrs Tittlemouse – The tale of Mrs Tittlemouse



Birchcroft



Sutherland



The Thimble Guild 2015

no photo

silver-plated pewter 2003



2015

Old Brown The tale of Squirrel Nutkin



Birchcroft



Lenox USA 1996



Sutherland



Lenox USA 1996

Old Mr Benjamin Bunny



Sutherland

Old Mr Benjamin Bunny
The tale of Benjamin Bunny



Sutherland

Older Mr Benjamin Bunny
The tale of the Flopsy Bunnies

		
<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>Lenox USA 1996</u>	<u>Sutherland</u>
		
<u>Wedgwood 1983</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>gold painted apex</u>
		
<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>Sutherland</u>	<u>The Thimble Guild 2015</u>
		<u>no photo</u>
		<u>silver-plated pewter 2003</u>
		
	<u>2015</u>	
		
<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>Lenox USA 1996</u>	<u>Sutherland</u>
		
<u>Lenox USA 1996</u>	<u>Sutherland</u>	<u>Sutherland</u>
Old Mr Benjamin Bunny	Old Mr Benjamin Bunny The tale of Benjamin Bunny	Older Mr Benjamin Bunny The tale of the Flopsy Bunnies

Old Mrs Rabbit The tale of Peter Rabbit



Birchcroft



Lenox USA 1996



Sutherland

Pigling Bland The tale of Pigling Bland



Birchcroft
Pigling Bland and
Alexander



Lenox USA 1996



Sutherland



The Thimble Guild 2014



silver-plated pewter 2003



Sutherland
Pig Wig
The tale of Pigling Bland



Birchcroft
Ripley

Ribby - The tale of the pie and the patty pan



Birchcroft
Cousin Tibby



Lenox USA 1996



Sutherland

no photo

silver-plated pewter 2003
Cousin Tibby

Samuel Whiskers - The tale of Two Bad Mice



Lenox USA 1996



Sutherland



The Thimble Guild 2014



silver-plated pewter 2003



Birchcroft
Simpkin the cat

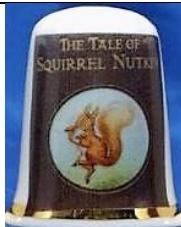


Sutherland
Simpkin the cat
The Tailor of Gloucester



Sutherland
Sir Isaac Newton
The tale of Mr Jeremy Fisher

Squirrel Nutkin - The tale of Squirrel Nutkin



Birchcroft
book cover



Lenox USA 1996



Sutherland



The Thimble Guild 2014
70 years of Potters death



1994



gold painted apex



gold-plated pewter 2003



Sutherland
Susan

The tale of Little Pig Robinson

Learn more about Children's book characters on thimbles

The Tailor of Gloucester - The Tailor of Gloucester



Crummles UK 1985
enamelled



Lindner Germany 2001



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models



Wedgwood 1983



gold-plated Korea 1993
limited to **200**



gold painted apex



gold-plated pewter 2003



Peter Rabbit and friends
100 years 1994



beads over wood

Timmy Tiptoes – The tale of Timmy Tiptoes



Birchcroft



Sutherland



The Thimble Guild 2015

Timmy Willie – The tale of Johnny Town Mouse



Sutherland



The Thimble Guild 2015

Tom Kitten – The tale of Tom Kitten

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

Tom Thumb – The tale of Two Bad Mice

		
	<u>Birchcroft</u>	

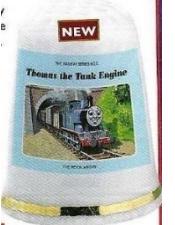
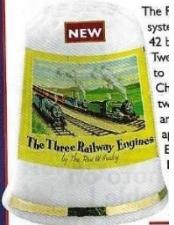
Tommy Brock The tale of Mr Tod

		
<u>Lenox USA 1996</u>	<u>Sutherland</u>	<u>The Thimble Guild 2014</u> 70 years of Potters death

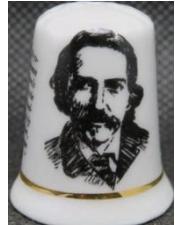
Two Bad Mice – The tale of Two Bad Mice

		
<u>Crummles UK 1989 enamelled</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>gold painted apex</u>

THOMAS THE TANK ENGINE Wilbur Awdry 1946 (UK)

			
<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2014 Thomas the tank engine 30th anniversary	<u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2015 Thomas the tank engine 70 years	<u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2015 Thomas the tank engine 70 years Three railway engines

TREASURE ISLAND Robert Louis Stevenson 1883 (UK)



			
<u>Birchcroft</u> book	<u>Fort USA</u> Pirate Las Vegas	<u>Fort USA</u> Pirate	<u>Sutherland</u> 1983 Hispaniola

			
<u>Sutherland</u> 1983 pieces of eight	<u>Sutherland</u>	Treasure Island Fort Las Vegas est. 1993	



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

Badger

			
<u>Berkshire</u> breakfast at Badgers	<u>Berkshire</u> Badger's little place	<u>Caverswall</u> 1983 limited to 250	<u>Heirloom</u> USA
			
<u>McMillan & Wife</u> riverbank	<u>McMillan & Wife</u>	<u>Royal Albert</u> 1987	<u>St Justin Cornwall</u> nesting
			<u>On a small brass plate, neatly engraved, they could read</u> <u>by the light of the moonlight</u> 1999
<u>The Thimble Garden</u> UK 100 th anniversary			

Mole

			
<u>Berkshire</u> picnic	<u>Berkshire</u> search for Portly	<u>Carol Ann Miniatures</u> picnic	<u>Caverswall</u> 1983 limited to 250
			
<u>McMillan & Wife</u> picnic	<u>Royal Albert</u> 1987	<u>The Thimble Garden</u> UK 100 th anniversary	<u>Mole gasped, "Oh my Oh</u> <u>my!: at each revelation</u> 1999

Ratty

			
<u>Berkshire</u> picnic	<u>Caverswall</u> 1983 limited to 250	<u>McMillan & Wife</u>	<u>Royal Albert</u> 1987

Toad

			
<u>Berkshire</u>	<u>Berkshire</u>	<u>Berkshire</u>	<u>Berkshire</u>
			
<u>Berkshire</u> gypsy caravan	<u>Berkshire</u> Toads escape	<u>Berkshire</u> Toad speaks	<u>Caverswall</u> 1983 limited to 250
			
<u>McMillan & Wife</u>	<u>Royal Albert</u> 1987	<u>The Thimble Garden</u> UK 100 th anniversary	Toad with a quaking heart, but as firm a footstep as he could command, Toad set fort cautiously 1999
			
I wonder, Toad said to himself presently, I wonder if this sort of car starts easily 1999	Oh sir, said Toad crying afresh, I am a poor washerwoman and I've lost all my money 1999	Prisoner. Pull yourself together. It's going to be twenty years for you this time 1999	Shout hooray For its a Toads great day. He sang very load with great unction 1999



The boat had run aground and the barge-woman was gesticulating wildly and shouting, Stop, stop, stop 1999



Theres real life for you, bedded in that little cart. The open road, the dusty highway 1999



To the panic stricken weasels the hall seemed full of monstrous animals 1999

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



Berkshire
mice singing carols



The Thimble Garden UK
car thimble holder
100th anniversary



Wind in the Willows
Birchcroft
book



The Thimble Guild
set of 12

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> How do you spell love You don't spell it you feel it</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, Pooh asked. Its today, squeaked Piglet. My favourite day, says 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</u> 2004 Lets go for a wander enamelled</p>	 <p><u>Fort</u></p>	 <p><u>Lenox USA</u> 1996 honey pot</p>	 <p><u>Lenox USA</u> 1996</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 Bear</p>	 <p>Pooh and Piglet attend Miss Piggy and Kermit concnert</p>	 <p>Happy Easter 2016</p>	 <p>Pooh's Easter egg</p>
 <p>Happy New Year 2017</p>	 <p>Happy New Year Owl, Pooh Let S hope it a hoot</p>	 <p>Winnie-the-Pooh MEETS THE KING</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>		
 <p>Christmas 2020</p>			

Christopher Robin

			
<u>Birchcroft</u> Eeyore	<u>Birchcroft</u> playing Poohsticks with Pooh	<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>McMillan & Wife</u>

Eeyore

			
<u>Blacktop China</u>	<u>Sterling Classic</u>		

Kanga

	
<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>Sterling Classic</u>

Owl

			
<u>Birchcroft 2020</u>			

Piglet



Blacktop China



Lenox USA 1996



Sterling Classic



PIGLET



Blacktop China



Sterling Classic



Rabbit



Blacktop China



Fort



Lenox USA 1996



Lenox USA 1996
pumpkin



Sterling Classic



Sterling Classic



THE WOMBLES OF WIMBLEDON Elizabeth Beresford 1968 (UK)



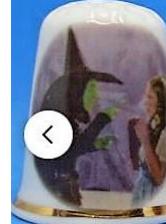
Birchcroft



The Thimble Guild 2013
40 years since the Wombles first appeared on TV

THE WONDERFUL WIZARD OF OZ Frank Baum 1900 (UK)

Dorothy

 Birchcroft Dorothy and Lion 75 years	 Birchcroft Dorothy and Toto movie	 Birchcroft Dorothy and the Wicked Witch	 Birchcroft Dorothy and the Wicked Witch
 Birchcroft Dorothy and the Wicked Witch	 Birchcroft	 Birchcroft Ruby slippers	 Comstock Creations USA 2000 60 years
 Comstock Creations USA 2000 Ruby slippers 60 years		 Ruby slippers	 Ruby slippers 1990 Taiwan

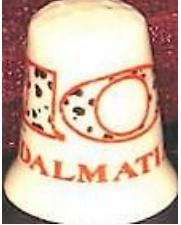
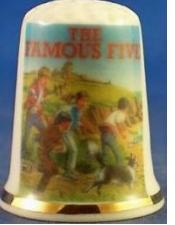
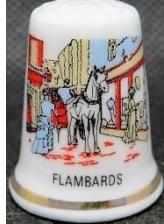
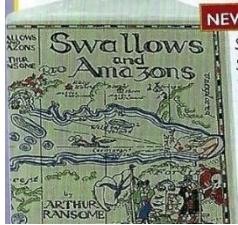
Glinda

 Birchcroft		 Birchcroft The good fairy		 Comstock Creations USA 2000 60 years
--	--	--	--	--

Others

 <p><u>Comstock Creations USA</u> 2000 Almira Glitch 60 years</p>	 <p><u>Comstock Creations USA</u> 2000 Cowardly Lion 60 years</p>	 <p><u>Comstock Creations USA</u> 2000 Emerald City 60 years</p>	 <p><u>Comstock Creations USA</u> 2000 Flying Monkey 60 years</p>
 <p><u>Comstock Creations USA</u> 2000 Hot air balloon 60 years</p>	 <p><u>Comstock Creations USA</u> 2000 Scarecrow 60 years</p>	 <p><u>Comstock Creations USA</u> 2000 Talking apple tree 60 years</p>	 <p><u>Comstock Creations USA</u> 2000 Tin Man 60 years</p>
 <p><u>Comstock Creations USA</u> 2000 Tin Man 60 years</p>	 <p><u>Comstock Creations USA</u> 2000 Toto in basket 60 years</p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Wicked Witch</p>	 <p><u>Comstock Creations USA</u> 2000 Wicked Witch 60 years</p>
 <p><u>Birchcroft</u> Wizard of Oz 75th anniversary 2014</p>		 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> Wizard of Oz 75th anniversary 2014</p>	 <p><u>Wedgwood</u> 1989</p>

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>Flambrids 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) Reutter 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)



James Swann & Son 1992
enamelled sterling silver



McMillan & Wife 1984



Moorland Miniatures 1990



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models



maple wood 2003



1989



2001

Georgie Porgie pudding and pie (1741)



Moorland Miniatures

Goosey goosey gander whither shall I wander (1784)



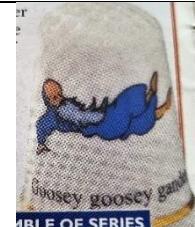
James Swann & Son 1992
enamelled sterling silver



McMillan & Wife 1986



maple wood 2003



2001

Hey diddle diddle the cat and the fiddle (1765)



Boulder Bay USA



Brad Elfrink USA



Gail Boekel USA
handpainted



Ketcham & McDougall USA
sterling silver



Mark Models



Mark Models 2004 2007



McMillan & Wife 1984 (L)

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

Hickety Pickety my black hen

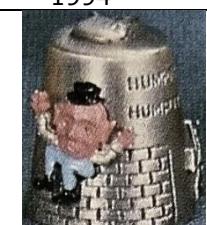


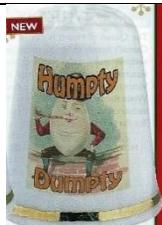
McMillan & Wife 1985

Hickory dickory dock the mouse ran up the clock (1744)

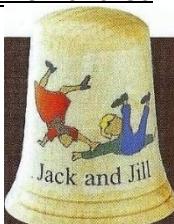
			
<u>Caverswall</u>	<u>Garrard & Co 1998</u> sterling silver	<u>Jacqui and David Parker</u> (Olivia) UK	<u>McMillan & Wife 1984</u>
			
<u>Moorland Miniatures 1994</u>	<u>Moorland Miniatures 1991</u>	<u>Vale Wales</u>	<u>Tick tock 2007</u>

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall (1797)

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

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

Jack and Jill went up the hill (1765)

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

Jack be nimble Jack be quick (1815)



Enesco
resin



pewter

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



Moorland Miniatures 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)

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

Little Jack Horner sat in the corner (1765)

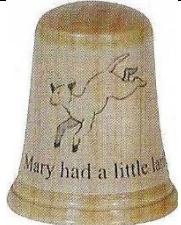
			
<u>Mark Models 1987</u>	<u>McMillan & Wife 1984</u>	<u>Moorland Miniatures 1990</u>	<u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u>
			
<u>Vale Wales</u>			

Little Miss Muffet sat on a tuffet (1805)

 <p><u>Caverswall</u></p>	 <p><u>Birchcroft</u></p>	 <p><u>Enesco</u> <u>resin</u></p>	 <p><u>Enesco</u> <u>resin</u></p>
 <p><u>Mandy Page</u> UK polyclay</p>	 <p><u>Mark Models</u></p>	 <p><u>McMillan & Wife</u> 1984</p>	 <p><u>Moorland Miniatures</u></p>
 <p><u>Stephen Frost</u> Warwick <u>Models</u></p>	 <p><u>Ray Nimmo</u> UK 2020 sterling silver engraving Keith Raes</p>		 <p>maple wood 2002</p>
 <p>2007</p>			 <p>2001</p>
 <p>1989</p>			

Mary had a little lamb

			
Nicholas Gish USA	Pugwash Canada 1994	Royal Coach UK	Viges

	
Japan 2010	maple wood

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

			
			
Minnie Maria Co	Moorland Miniatures	Moorland Miniatures	Pugwash Canada 1994
			
Stephen Frost Warwick Models	The Thimble Guild gold-painted apex 2006	Vale Wales	
			
maple wood 2003			
			
gold-painted apex			1988

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



McMillan & Wife 1984



Stephen Frost Warwick Models

Old Mother Hubbard went to the cupboard (1805)



Caverswall 1992



Finsbury 1998



James Swann & Son 1992
enamelled sterling silver



McMillan & Wife



Minnie Maria Co 1996



Moorland Miniatures 1991



Thimble Craft Shirley Hewitt



VY
handpainted



gold-painted apex

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



Moorland Miniatures 1994

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



2012

Polly put the kettle on (1803)



McMillan & Wife 1985

Pussy cat, pussy cat where have you been (1805)



maple wood 2002



2001

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)



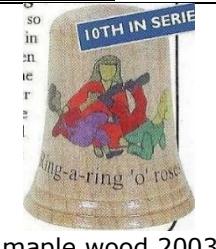
Caverswall



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)



Brad Elfrink USA



James Swann & Son 1992
enamelled sterling silver



McMillan & Wife 1984



Moorland Miniatures



Moorland Miniatures



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models



VY
handpainted



gold-painted apex



See saw Margery Daw (1765)



Carol Ann Miniatures 2016



Moorland Miniatures



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models



2014



Simple Simon met a pieman (1764)



Enesco
resin



Ray Nimmo UK 2020
sterling silver
engraving Keith Raes



2007

Sing a song of sixpence a pocket full of rye (1744)



McMillan & Wife 1984
... four and twenty
blackbirds baked in a pie



Moorland Miniatures



Pugwash Canada 1994



Seagull Pewter Canada
1994



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models



Sterling Classic



1989

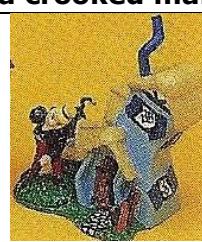


2007

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



mcMillan & Wife 1984



Minnie Maria Co 1998



Moorland Miniatures



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models

There was an old woman who lived in a shoe (1784)



McMillan & Wife



McMillan & Wife 1983



Minnie Maria Co



Nicholas Gish USA



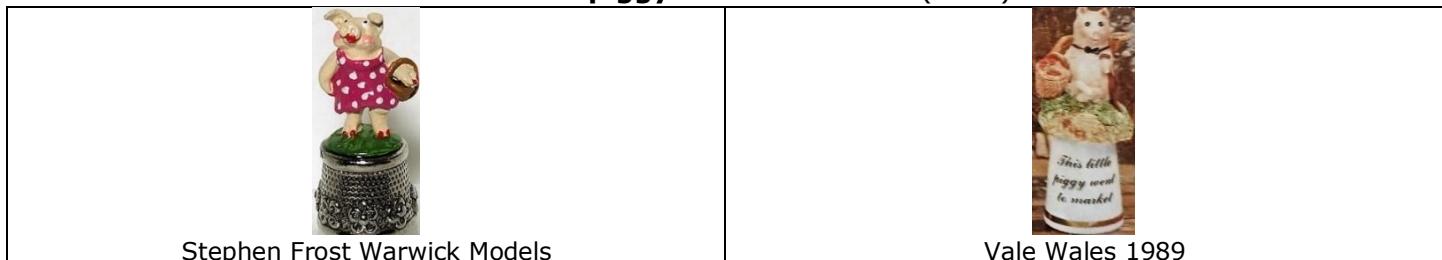
Moorland Miniatures



who
l
w
char
be
her
l
over
l
p
s
and
the
revel
w
hand
Me



This little piggy went to market (1760)



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



Three little kittens who lost their mittens (1841)



2012

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

<u>George Jones & Co UK</u>	<u>James Swann & Son 1992 enamelled sterling silver</u>	<u>Sterling Classic</u>	<u>Thimble Craft Shirley Hewitt 1996</u>	
<u>McMillan & Wife 1984</u>	<u>gold-painted apex</u>			

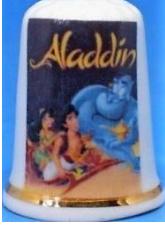
Wee Willie Winky runs through the town (1841)

<u>McMillan & Wife 1984</u>	<u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u>

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

Aladdin and the wonderful lamp Middle East

			
<u>Birchcroft</u> movie poster	<u>Stephen Frost Warwick</u> <u>Models 2002</u> I am your genie	<u>Lenox USA</u>	2006

	movie
---	-------

Beauty and the beast French

			
<u>Lenox USA</u>	<u>James Swann & Son</u> sterling silver	<u>Lenox USA</u> Beast	<u>Lenox USA</u>
			
	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

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

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

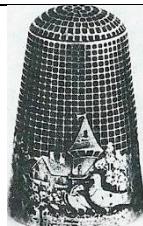
Donkey skin
Perrault



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

			
<u>Carolyn Cameron</u> Australia 1996 bread dough	<u>D.E</u> 1988	<u>Franklin Mint</u> USA 1982	<u>Lindner</u> Germany 1997
			
<u>Mandy Page</u> UK polyclay	<u>S.D.P.</u> 1985	<u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u>	<u>Studio Steinböck</u> Austria 1987 enamelled
			
Russian handpainted wood		wood	

The gingerbread man
American

	
<u>Mandy Page</u> UK polyclay	Ladybird book cover 2013

Goldilocks and the three bears

English



Ann Sullivan UK
handpainted



Brad Elfrink USA



Danbury Mint USA



Enesco
Papa Bear – Mama Bear – Baby Bear – Lucylocks



James Swann & Son 1990
sterling silver



Whimbles by Wade UK



Wedgwood 1989



The goose girl

Brothers Grimm



Franklin Mint USA



McMillan & Wife 1984

The goose that laid the golden eggs

Aesop



Franklin Mint USA 1982



McMillan & Wife 1983
three leaf clover on apex



Nicholas Gish USA



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models 2001



2005

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
enameled



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



Birchcroft
Ariel and book



Birchcroft
Eric and book



Birchcroft
Flounder



Birchcroft
Scuttle



Birchcroft
Sebastian



Birchcroft
Ursula



Felix Morel UK 1991



Lenox USA



Lenox USA



Hurley USA
handpainted



Moorland Pewter 1997



Royal Copenhagen
Den lille havfrue

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

Little Red Riding Hood Europe

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

			
Studio Steinböck Austria 1987 enamelled	VY 1988 handpainted	Wedgwood 1989	
			
	1998	2007	
			
Russian handpainted wood 1999	Russian handpainted wood 2011	Russian handpainted wood	handpainted
			
	Hull style		

The milkmaid and her pail
Aesop



Roger Lenain France 1970
sterling silver

The monkey and the cat
Fontaine



Rene Lorillon France 1913
sterling silver

The monkey and the magic lantern

Florian



Justin Lenain France 1970 restrike
sterling silver

Mother Holle

Brothers Grimm

also known as Mother Hulde



Franklin Mint USA 1982



Studio Steinböck Austria 1987
enamelled

The peasant's 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

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

The queen bee

Brothers Grimm


Franklin Mint USA 1982

Rapunzel
Brothers Grimm

			no photo
Franklin Mint USA 1982	Lenox USA 1994	Moorland Miniatures	Lenox USA

Rumpelstiltskin
Brothers Grimm

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

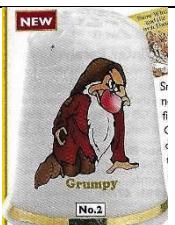
Sleeping Beauty
French

			
Birchcroft Fauna	Birchcroft Good Fairy Flora	Birchcroft Maleficent	Birchcroft Merryweather
			
Birchcroft Prince Phillip	Birchcroft Princess Aurora	Birchcroft Sleeping Beauty	Birchcroft movie poster

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

Snow White and the seven dwarfs Brothers Grimm

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

	no photo					
Schmid	Sterling Classic Bashful	Sterling Classic Doc	Sterling Classic Dopey			
		no photo				
Sterling Classic Grumpy	Sterling Classic	Sterling Classic Sleepy	Sterling Classic Sneezy			
						
Sterling Classic on Ullmannsglass	Sterling Classic	Sterling Classic	Studio Steinböck Austria 1987 enameled			
						
VY 1988 handpainted	Walt Disney 1988	Wedgwood 1989	Russian handpainted wood 2003			
						
Russian handpainted wood 1999	2009	Bashful				
						
			Doc			
						
Dopey				Grumpy	Grumpy	



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



René Lorillon France 1910

References

Magdalena and William Isbister *Late 19th and early 20th century French silver pictorial thimbles: a visual guide*. 2014

Contributors

Eva B | Yolanta Bogdziewicz | Paweł Brzyski | Micky Garvey | Margaret Harland | Linda Heggs | Lynda Herrod
William Isbister | Friedy & Gerrit Kamp | Caroline Meacham-Elegant Arts | Ray Nimmo | Diane Poesk | Barbara Ringer
Jean Rose-Miss Mouse | Wolf-Dieter Scholz | Jean Taylor | Krystyna Zagajewska

This listing of Children's books characters on thimbles does not purport to be complete or accurate in all aspects.
Rather it invites comment and contribution to add to our knowledge. My thanks to the contributors.

EMAIL thimbleselect@bigpond.com TO SHARE YOUR KNOWLEDGE

© Sue Gowan
January 2025