

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

				
<u>Harmer</u>	<u>Heirloom Editions USA</u> handpainted by CC Alice and the Knave of Hearts		<u>Lucerne Wulf USA</u> sterling silver	<u>McMillan & Wife</u> Alice and the Mad Hatter
				
<u>McMillan & Wife</u> Alice and the Lion and the Unicorn	<u>R.J.K. USA</u> Alice and the White Rabbit handpainted silver			<u>Royal Grafton</u> Advice from the Caterpillar
				
<u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and croquet match	<u>Royal Grafton</u> Curiouser and curiouser	<u>Royal Grafton</u> Dodo before the caucus	<u>Royal Grafton</u> Dodo we beg your pardon	
				
<u>Royal Grafton</u> Drink me	<u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and Humpty Dumpty	<u>Royal Grafton</u> If it had grown up it would have made a dreadfully ugly child		<u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and the Mad Hatters tea party
				
<u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and the Queen of Hearts Off with her head	<u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and the Queen of Hearts Speak roughly to your little boy and beat him when he sneezes	<u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and the deer	<u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and the golden crown	
				
<u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and the Lion and the Unicorn		<u>Royal Grafton</u> Alice and the White Knight	<u>Royal Grafton</u> Wont you join the dance	<u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u> 1988 (L) Drink me

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

Cheshire Cat



Comstock Creations USA



Hallmark Cards USA 1998
Alice in Wonderland



Harmer



Royal Grafton
It vanished quite lowly,
beginning with the far end
of its tail and ending
with the grin



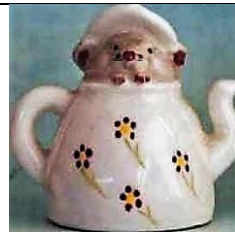
Dormouse



Carol Ann Miniatures



Daniel Riccio US 1998
bronze



Harmer



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models 1988



Sterling Classic 1998
Duchess



Moorland Miniatures
Old Father William



Royal Grafton
Old Father William



Harmer
Hand of cards



Birchcroft
Herald



Royal Grafton
Herald



Royal Grafton
Jabberwocky



Harmer
King of Hearts

Mad Hatter



Birchcroft



Hallmark Cards USA 1996
Alice in Wonderland



Harmer



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



Royal Grafton



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models 1988



Sterling Classic 1998



1993



March Hare



Harmer



Stephen Frost Warwick Models 1998



Sterling Classic

Queen of Hearts



Harmer



Stephen Frost Warwick Models 1998



Sterling Classic 1998

Tweedledum and Tweedledee



Comstock Creations USA



Royal Grafton

Walrus and the Carpenter



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

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ANNE OF GREEN GABLES Lucy Maude Montgomery 1908 (Canada)

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

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

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

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



Mrs Apple 1983
Royal Doulton



Mrs Apple
Enesco
summer



Mrs Apple
on bramble jam pot
pewter on ceramic



Mrs Appleyard 2006
Lindner



Mrs Toadflax
on bramble jam pot
pewter on ceramic



Poppy
on bramble jam pot
pewter on ceramic



Primrose 1983
Royal Doulton



Spring 1982
Royal Doulton



Summer 1982
Royal Doulton



The little children 1983
Royal Doulton



The wedding 1983
Royal Doulton



Wilfred
Enesco
nursery basket



Wilfred
Enesco
spring



Wilfred 1983
Royal Doulton



Winter 1982
Royal Doulton



nursery basket
Enesco

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




bronze statue of the author and his character

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

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





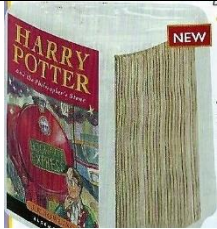





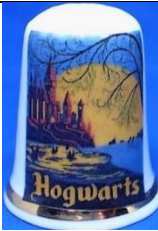



			
We is in dream country the BFG said, this is where all dreams happen	Charlie and the chocolate factory 2013	Fantastic Mr Fox 2013	James and the giant peach 2013
			
Matilda 2013	The Twits 2013	The witches 2013	

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



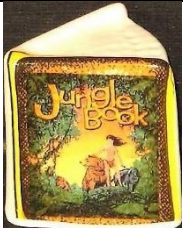




	
Royal Grafton 1994 Gumnut Babies	firehydrant
	
Jan Milton handpainted Snugglepot Cuddlepie	

HARRY POTTER J K Rowling 1997 (UK)

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

			
Harry Potter and the goblet of fire	<u>Birchcroft</u> 2003 Harry Potter and the philosophers stone book	<u>Birchcroft</u> Harry Potter and the philosophers stone book	<u>Birchcroft</u> Harry Potter and the philosophers stone book
			
<u>Birchcroft</u> 2017 Harry Potter and the philosophers stone book 20 years since publication	Harry Potter and the philosophers stone book 20 years since publication	<u>Birchcroft</u> Harry Potter	Harry Potter movie
			
Harry Potter movie	Harry Potter playing quidditch		
			
<u>Birchcroft</u> Hermione	Hermione	<u>Birchcroft</u> Hogwarts	<u>Birchcroft</u> Oliver
			
<u>Birchcroft</u> Professor Dumbledore	Professor Dumbledore	<u>Birchcroft</u> Ron	Ron

THE JUNGLE BOOK Rudyard Kipling 1894 (UK)

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

MARY POPPINS P L Travers 1933 (UK)

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

MR MEN Roger Hargreaves 1971 (UK)

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

NODDY Enid Blyton 1949 (UK)



Great British authors Enid Blyton 1897-1968

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

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

PADDINGTON BEAR Michael Bond 1958 (UK)

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

			
<u>Reutter</u> Germany 1998 picnic	<u>Reutter</u> Germany 2001 takes a trip	<u>Reutter</u> Germany 1998 takes a trip	<u>Reutter</u> Germany
			
<u>Schmid</u> Germany 1983 A bears noel	<u>Schmid</u> Germany 1984 How sweet it is	silver-plated pewter 1998 at the seaside	silver-plated pewter 1998 jogging
			
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>Woodseton</u> UK 1989 peep

 65 th anniversary 2018			 movie poster
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Captain Hook

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

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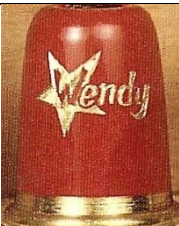
 <u>Birchcroft</u> Michael	 Michael	 <u>Birchcroft</u> Nana	 <u>Colin Tyler UK</u> Smeeth stacking thimble
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 <u>Birchcroft</u> Tiger Lily



Tinkerbell

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

Wendy

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

Others

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

PINOCCHIO Carlo Collodi 1883 (Italy)

Pinocchio

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

Jiminy Cricket

			
<u>Sterling Classic</u>	<u>Walt Disney</u> 1988		

RAGGEDY ANN - ANDY Johnny Gruelle 1915 (US)

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

RUPERT BEAR Herbert Tourtel 1920 (UK)

Rupert

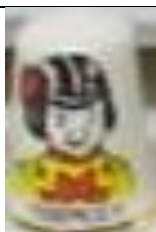
			
<u>Birchcroft</u> 100 year anniversary	<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>Birchcroft</u> Christmas	<u>Maureen Jones Silver</u> <u>Scenes Ltd Wales</u> Full of glee hoping soon to see the sea
			
	85 year anniversary 2006	Rupert and Bill celebrate	
			
	Christmas	in the rain	
			
	85 year anniversary 2006	picking flowers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



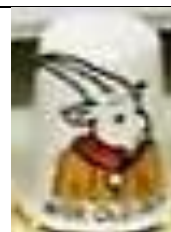
Birchcroft
Professor



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)

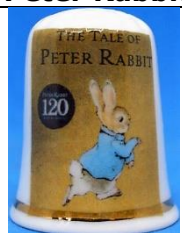


Frederick Warne & Co were the publisher of all her books. Their initials often appear inside many of these thimbles. Most of the characters portrayed were those drawn by Beatrix Potter in her 23 books.

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



Sutherland
Amiable Guinea Pig
Appley Dapplys nursery rhymes



Sutherland
Anna Maria
The tale of Samuel Whiskers



Sutherland
Appley Dapply
Appley Dapplys nursery rhymes

Benjamin Bunny – The tale of Benjamin Bunny



Birchcroft



Lenox USA 1996



Reutter Germany L: 2001



Sutherland



The Thimble Guild 2013
70 years of Potters death



Wedgwood 1983



Lenox USA 1996
Cecily Parsley



Sutherland
Cecily Parsley



Lenox USA 1996
Dig Diggory Delvet

Duchess - The tale of the pie and the patty pan



Birchcroft



Lenox USA 1996



Sutherland



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



Sutherland
Flopsy
The tale of Flopsy bunnies



Wedgwood 1983
Flopsy



The Thimble Guild 2015
Flopsy Mopsy and Cottontail


			
<u>Sutherland</u> Foxy Whiskered Gentleman The tale of Jemima Puddleduck	<u>Sutherland</u> Gardening Guinea Pig Cecily Parsleys nursery rhymes	<u>Sutherland</u> Gentle Rabbit The story of a fierce bad rabbit	<u>Sutherland</u> Ginger The tale of Ginger and Pickles
			
<u>Birchcroft</u> Goody and Mrs Hackee	<u>Sutherland</u> Goody Tiptoes The tale of Tommy Tiptoes		<u>Birchcroft</u> Guinea pigs

Hunca Munca – The tale of two bad mice

			
<u>Lenox</u> USA 1996	<u>Lenox</u> USA 1996	<u>Sutherland</u>	<u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2014 70 years of Potters death 2014
			
1994	silver-plated pewter 2003		1994

Jemima Puddleduck – The tale of Jemima Puddleduck

			
<u>Birchcroft</u> Book cover	<u>Crummles</u> UK 1989 enamelled	<u>Jacqui Walker</u> UK 1997 crocheted	<u>Lenox</u> USA 1996
			
<u>Reutter</u> Germany L: 2001	<u>Sutherland</u>	<u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2013 70 years of Potters death	<u>Wedgwood</u> 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

			
<u>Sutherland</u>	<u>The Thimble Guild</u>	<u>The Thimble Guild 2015</u>	gold painted apex

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


<u>Sutherland</u> Lucinda The tale of two bad mice

Little Pig Robinson - The Tale of Little Pig Robinson

		no photo
<u>Sutherland</u>	<u>The Thimble Guild 2014</u>	silver-plated pewter 2003





Miss Moppet – The story of Miss Moppet

			
<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>Birchcroft</u> Miss Moppet and Mittens	<u>Lenox USA 1996</u>	<u>Sutherland</u>

			
<u>Sutherland</u> Mouse The story of Miss Moppet	<u>Sutherland</u> The Mouse Tailor The tailor of Gloucester	<u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2014 The Mouse who had too many children lived in a shoe	<u>Lenox</u> USA 1996 Mr Alderman Ptolem
			
<u>Lenox</u> USA 1996 Mr Fox	Mr Fox 70 years of Potters death 2013	<u>Sutherland</u> Mr Jackson The tale of Mrs Tittlemouse	

Mr Jeremy Fisher - The tale of Mr Jeremy Fisher

			
<u>Crummles</u> UK 1989 enamelled	<u>Lenox</u> USA 1996	<u>Sutherland</u>	<u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2014 70 years of Potters death
			
1994	silver-plated pewter 2003	gold painted apex	

			
Mr Pricklepin 2014 Applely Dapplys nursery rhymes	<u>Sutherland</u> Mr Tod	<u>Birchcroft</u> Mrs Rabbit	
			
Mrs Rabbit 2015	<u>Birchcroft</u> Mrs Tabitha Twitchit	<u>Sutherland</u> 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

			no photo
Birchcroft	Sutherland	The Thimble Guild 2015	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

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

			
<u>Lenox</u> USA 1996	<u>Sutherland</u>	<u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2014	silver-plated pewter 2003

		
<u>Birchcroft</u> Simpkin the cat	<u>Sutherland</u> Simpkin the cat The Tailor of Gloucester	<u>Sutherland</u> Sir Isaac Newton The tale of Mr Jeremy Fisher

Squirrel Nutkin - The tale of Squirrel Nutkin

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


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



The Tailor of Gloucester - The Tailor of Gloucester

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

Timmy Tiptoes - The tale of Timmy Tiptoes

		
<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>Sutherland</u>	<u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2015

Timmy Willie - The tale of Johnny Town Mouse

	
<u>Sutherland</u>	<u>The Thimble Guild</u> 2015

Tom Kitten - The tale of Tom Kitten

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



1994



silver-plated pewter 2003

Tom Thumb – The tale of Two Bad Mice



Birchcroft

Tommy Brock The tale of Mr Tod



Lenox USA 1996



Sutherland



The Thimble Guild 2014
70 years of Potters death

Two Bad Mice – The tale of Two Bad Mice



Crummles UK 1989
enamelled



2014



gold painted apex

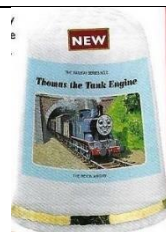
THOMAS THE TANK ENGINE Wilbur Awdry 1946 (UK)



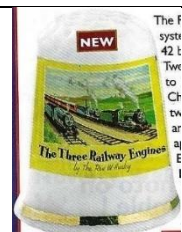
Birchcroft



The Thimble Guild 2014
Thomas the tank engine
30th anniversary



The Thimble Guild 2015
Thomas the tank engine
70 years



The Thimble Guild 2015
Thomas the tank engine
70 years
Three railway engines

TREASURE ISLAND Robert Louis Stevenson 1883 (UK)



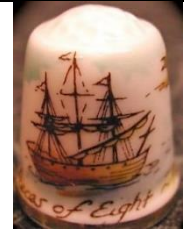
Birchcroft
book



Fort USA
Pirate Las Vegas



Fort USA
Pirate



Sutherland 1983
Hispaniola



Sutherland 1983
pieces of eight



Sutherland



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



Berkshire
breakfast at Badgers



Berkshire
Badgers little place



Caverswall 1983
limited to **250**



Heirloom USA



McMillan & Wife
riverbank





McMillan & Wife



Royal Albert 1987







St Justin Cornwall
nesting

 <p><u>The Thimble Garden UK</u> 100th anniversary</p>	 <p>On a small brass plate, neatly engraved, they could read by the light of the moonlight 1984</p>
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Mole

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




Ratty

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

Toad

			
<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.
			
I wonder, Toad said to himself presently, I wonder if this sort of car starts easily	Oh sir, said Toad crying afresh, I am a poor washerwoman and Ive lost all my money	Prisoner. Pull yourself together. Its going to be twenty years for you this time	Shout hooray For its a Toads great day. He sang very load with great unction
			
The boat had run aground and the barge-woman was gesticulating wildly and shouting, Stop, stop, stop	Theres real life for you, bedded in that little cart. The open road, the dusty highway	To the panic stricken weasels the hall seemed full of monstrous animals	

Weasel

		
<u>Heirloom</u> USA	<u>McMillan & Wife</u>	

Others



Berkshire
Barge woman



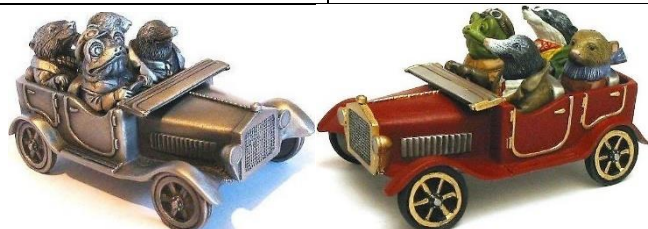
McMillan & Wife
Field mice carolling



Berkshire
Over the bank they went



Berkshire
Take those things off



The Thimble Garden UK
car thimble holder
100th anniversary



The Thimble Guild
set of 12



Birchcroft
book

WINNIE THE POOH A A Milne 1926 (UK)

Pooh



Birchcroft
Pooh and Christopher with drum



Birchcroft
Pooh and friends at sunset



Birchcroft
Pooh and Piglet hold hands



Birchcroft
Good morning



Birchcroft
I may not be perfect but I'm always me!



Birchcroft
How do you spell love You don't spell it you feel it



Birchcroft
Pooh meets Piglet



Birchcroft
Pooh and friends outdoors





 <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 2004</u> Lets go for a wander enamelled</p>	 <p><u>Fort</u></p>	 <p><u>Lenox USA 1996</u> honey pot</p>	 <p><u>Lenox USA 1996</u></p>
 <p><u>Lenox USA 1996</u></p>	 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u></p>	 <p><u>Sterling Classic</u> Santa hat</p>	 <p><u>Timothy Burton Burtwell</u> UK 1997 Pooh and Piglet sterling silver</p>
 <p><u>Timothy Burton Burtwell</u> UK Pooh with balloon sterling silver</p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild</u> Little William</p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild 2016</u> commemorating 60 years since Milnes death</p>	 <p><u>The Thimble Guild 2016</u> commemorating 90 years since Pooh created</p>
 <p><u>Pooh Bear</u></p>	 <p>Pooh and Piglet attend Miss Piggy and Kermit concert</p>	 <p>Happy Easter 2021</p>	 <p>Pooh's Easter egg</p>

				
Happy New Year 2017	Happy New Year Owl, Pooh Let S hope it a hoot	Winnie-the-Pooh meets the King 2022	Merry Christmas from Winnie-the-Pooh and Piglet	
				
Pooh and Queen Elizabeth celebrate their 95 th birthday 2021	Pooh with Queen Elizabeth and Prince George on her 90 th birthday 2016			
				

Christopher Robin

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

Eeyore

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

Kanga



Birchcroft



Sterling Classic

Owl



Birchcroft 2020



Birchcroft



Blacktop China



Lenox USA 1996



Piglet



Blacktop China



Lenox USA 1996



Sterling Classic



Rabbit



Blacktop China





Sterling Classic



Tigger

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

THE WOMBLES OF WIMBLEDON Elizabeth Beresford 1968 (UK)

	
<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>The Thimble Guild 2013</u> 40 years since the Wombles first appeared on TV

THE WONDERFUL WIZARD OF OZ Frank Baum 1900 (UK)

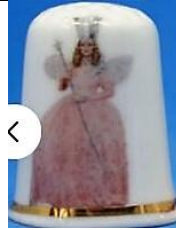
Dorothy

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

Glinda



Birchcroft



Birchcroft
The good fairy



Comstock Creations USA 2000
60 years

Others



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Almira Glitch
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Cowardly Lion
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Emerald City
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Flying Monkey
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Hot air balloon
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Scarecrow
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Talking apple tree
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Tin Man
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Tin Man
60 years



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Toto in basket
60 years



Birchcroft
Wicked Witch



Comstock Creations USA
2000
Wicked Witch
60 years



Birchcroft
Wizard of Oz 75th anniversary 2014



The Thimble Guild
Wizard of Oz 75th anniversary 2014



Wedgwood 1989

OTHER BOOKS CHARACTERS

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

NURSERY RHYMES

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

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

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

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



Baa baa black sheep have you any wool (1744)



Birchcroft



James Swann & Son 1992
enamelled sterling silver



McMillan & Wife 1984



Moorland Miniatures



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models



Sterling Classic



maple wood 2003



2007



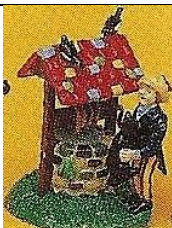
1989

Baby baby Bunting daddys gone a hunting (1784)



Francesca 1984

Ding dong bell pussys in the well (1580)



Minnie Maria Co 1998



Moorland Miniatures 1990



Stephen Frost Warwick Models 1996

Doctor Foster went to Gloucester (1844)

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

Georgie Porgie pudding and pie (1741)

			
<u>Moorland Miniatures</u>			

Goosey goosey gander whither shall I wander (1784)

			
<u>James Swann & Son</u> 1992 enamelled sterling silver	<u>McMillan & Wife</u> 1986	maple wood 2003	

Hey diddle diddle the cat and the fiddle (1765)

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

McMillan & Wife

Minnie Maria Co 1990



Nicholas Gish USA 1983

Pugwash Canada 1994

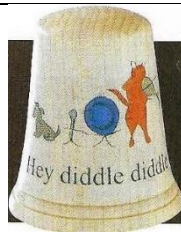
Ray Nimmo UK 2020
sterling silver
engraving Keith Raes



Simons USA
sterling silver



Sterling Classic



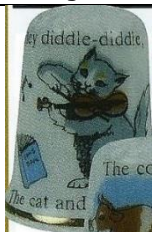
maple wood 2002



2001



2007



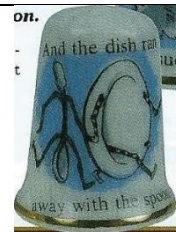
Hey diddle diddle the cat
and the fiddle 2010



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 1994</u>	<u>Cavalier Collectables 2007</u>	<u>James Swann & Son 1992</u> enamelled 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 ... and the Kings men</u>	<u>Nicholas Gish USA</u>	
<u>Ray Nimmo UK 2020</u> sterling silver engraving Keith Raes	<u>Rowena Souvenirs 2005</u>	<u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models L: 1996</u>	<u>Sterling Classic</u>

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

Jack and Jill went up the hill (1765)

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

Jack be nimble Jack be quick (1815)



Enesco
resin

Jack Sprat could eat no fat (1639)



James Swann & Son 1992
enamelled sterling silver



Moorland Miniatures 1990



1989

Ladybird ladybird fly away home (1744)



Mark Models 1997



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

Little Jack Horner sat in the corner (1765)

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

Little Miss Muffet sat on a tuffet (1805)



Caverswall



Birchcroft



Enesco
resin



Enesco
resin



Mandy Page UK
polyclay



Mark Models



McMillan & Wife 1984



Moorland Miniatures



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models



Ray Nimmo UK 2020
sterling silver
engraving Keith Raes



maple wood 2002



2007



2001



1989

Mary had a little lamb



Nicholas Gish USA



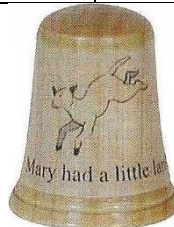
Pugwash Canada
1994



Royal Coach UK



Japan
2010





maple wood

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

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

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

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


Old Mother Hubbard went to the cupboard (1805)

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

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

	
<u>Moorland Miniatures</u> 1994	

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


2012

Polly put the kettle on (1803)


<u>McMillan & Wife</u> 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)

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

See saw Margery Daw (1765)

			
<u>Carol Ann Miniatures 2016</u>	<u>Moorland Miniatures</u>	<u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u>	2014
			

Simple Simon met a pieman (1764)

		
<u>Enesco</u> resin	<u>Ray Nimmo UK 2020</u> sterling silver engraving Keith Raes	2007

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

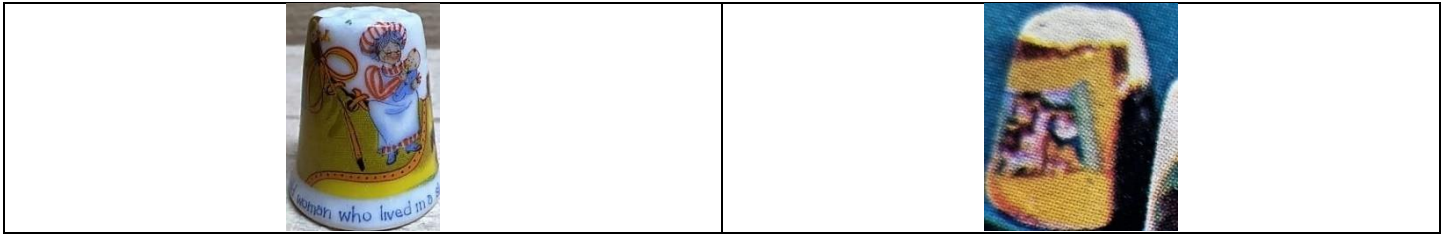
			
<u>McMillan & Wife</u> 1984 ... four and twenty blackbirds baked in a pie	<u>Moorland Miniatures</u>	<u>Pugwash</u> Canada 1994	<u>Seagull Pewter</u> Canada 1994
			
<u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u>	<u>Sterling Classic</u>	1989	2007

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

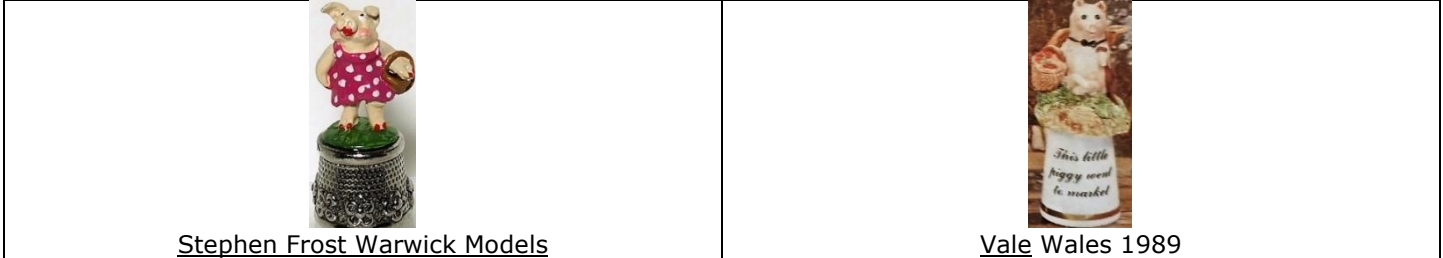
			
<u>mcMillan & Wife</u> 1984	<u>Minnie Maria Co</u> 1998	<u>Moorland Miniatures</u>	<u>Stephen Frost Warwick Models</u>

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

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



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)



George Jones & Co UK



James Swann & Son 1992
enamelled sterling silver



Sterling Classic



Thimble Craft Shirley Hewitt 1996



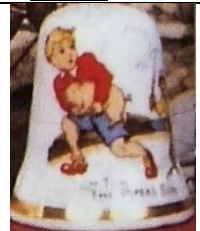
McMillan & Wife 1984



gold-painted apex



1988



Wee Willie Winky runs through the town (1841)



McMillan & Wife 1984



Stephen Frost Warwick Models



FABLES AND FAIRY TALES

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



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

Aladdin and the wonderful lamp

Middle East

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

Beauty and the beast

French

			
<u>Birchcroft</u>	<u>James Swann & Son</u> sterling silver	<u>Lenox</u> USA Beast	<u>Lenox</u> USA
			
<u>Lenox</u> USA	1990	Belle	movie
			
movie poster			

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



Roger Lenain France 1970
 sterling silver

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



Alfred Féau France 1895
 sterling silver



2006

Brer Rabbit
 African-American



Wedgwood 1989

Cinderella
 Perrault



Angela Mamontova Russia
 handpainted



Birchcroft
 movie posters



Franklin Mint USA
 1982



Lenox USA



Lenox USA



Lenox USA
Jac and Gus



Lindner Germany 1987

			
<u>Nicholas Gish</u> USA	<u>Royal Worcester</u> 1982 ballet	<u>Stephen Frost Warwick</u> <u>Models</u>	<u>S.H.D.</u> USA
			
<u>S.H.D.</u> USA 1985 Fairy Godmother	<u>S.H.D.</u> USA pumpkin coach	<u>Sterling Classic</u> over Ullmannsglass	
			
<u>Sterling Classic</u> Gus	<u>Sterling Classic</u> Jac	<u>Sterling Classic</u> Prince Charming	<u>Sterling Classic</u> Ugly Sisters
			
<u>Studio Steinböck</u> Austria enamelled	<u>Walt Disney</u> 1988	<u>Wedgwood</u> 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

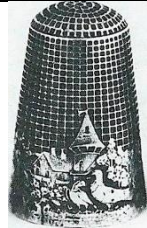


Studio Steinböck Austria 1987
enamelled



Doves

Italian
also known as The two pigeons



Roger Lenain France 1910
sterling silver

The eagle and the fox

Aesop



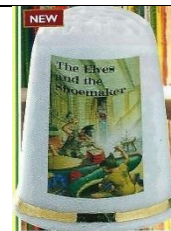
Roger Lenain France 1910 1970
sterling silver

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



Carolyn Cameron Australia
1996
breaddough



D.E 1988



Franklin Mint USA 1982



Lindner Germany 1997



Mandy Page UK
polyclay



S.D.P. 1985



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models



Studio Steinböck Austria
1987
enamelled



Russian handpainted wood



wood

The gingerbread man
American



Mandy Page UK
polyclay



Ladybird book cover 2013

Goldilocks and the three bears

English



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
enamelled



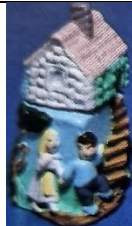
Sutherland 1983
b&w photo



Thorvald Greif Germany
1997
sterling silver



Wedgwood 1989



Russian handpainted wood
2009



1998

Jack and the beanstalk

Aesop



Sterling Classic



Wedgwood 1989

King Thrushebeard

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

Little Red Riding Hood Europe

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

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

The milkmaid and her pail

Aesop

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

Fontaine

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

The monkey and the magic lantern

Florian



Justin Lenain France 1970 restrike
sterling silver

Mother Holle

Brothers Grimm

also known as Mother Hulde



Franklin Mint USA 1982



Studio Steinböck Austria 1987
enamelled

The peasants wise daughter

Brothers Grimm



Franklin Mint USA 1982

The Pied Piper of Hamelin

Brothers Grimm



McMillan & Wife



Wedgwood 1989

The princess and the pea

Hans Christian Andersen



Heirloom Editions USA



McMillan & Wife 1987



Stephen Frost Warwick
Models



Puss in Boots Europe

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

The queen bee Brothers Grimm


<u>Franklin Mint</u> 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
			

Sleeping Beauty






























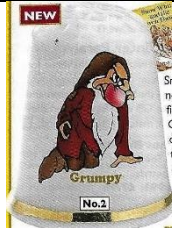
French

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

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</u> sterling silver
			
<u>Lenox USA</u> with fawn	<u>Lenox USA</u> Dopey Doc	<u>Lenox USA</u> fawn	<u>Lenox USA</u> witch
			
<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 Ullmann glass	Sterling Classic	Sterling Classic	Studio Steinböck Austria 1987 enamelled
			
VY 1988 handpainted	Walt Disney 1988	Wedgwood 1989	Russian handpainted wood 2003
			  
Russian handpainted wood 1999	2009		Bashful
			 
		Doc	
	  	  	
	Dopey	Grumpy	

					
Happy			Sleepy		
					
Sneezy			forest friends		fawn
					
					
		1988		80 years since movie produced	

Star money Brothers Grimm

		
Franklin Mint USA 1982	Studio Steinböck Austria 1987 enamelled	

The three little pigs English

			
McMillan & Wife	Wedgwood 1989	2003	Ladybird book cover 2013

Thumbelina
Hans Christian Andersen



Nicholas Gish USA
gilt apex set



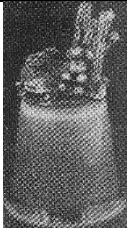
2005

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



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