

Tobacconalia shapes

From the very first beginnings of Series Ware production and up until the 1950's Royal Doulton produced an array of Tobacco related products. This range includes Cigarette boxes (both plain and musical), Bridge Sets, Tobacco Jars, Cigarette dispensers and of course ashtrays. In the first half of the twentieth century smoking was seen as quite chic, a huge percentage of the population did not just smoke, they revelled in it. I was a smoker in my youth; I was in hospital for a week in 1980 with two broken wrists which were in traction, not only did the nurses feed me, one of the sweet angels of mercy held the cigarette to my lips and flicking the ash for me.

How quick the times have changed. The anti tobacco lobby has been extremely successful, and rightly so, now the full tide of public opinion has turned against imbibing the dreaded weed. How often are ashtray loaded on the net described as pin dishes when they obviously have cigarette rest. This really gets to me, smoking is an evil addiction that has killed millions, of that there is no doubt, but what is the point in rewriting history. This is political correctness gone crazy. If we change the past to suit today's principles, then the lesson that we have learnt at such a hideous cost will be lost. Now if you dare, be a touch courageous, and have a peak at my Royal Doulton Tobacconalia page…….

Royal Doulton Tobacconalia Shapes Musical Cigarette Box - Shape 8293 Plays English Country Garden by Grangier
Royal Doulton Fox Hunting Cigarette Box - Date coded to 1940Size

20 cm (8”) by 9.5 cm (3.75”) and it is 7.5 cm (3”) tall I have only seen these boxes in Fox Hunting "A", Dickens Ware and English Cottages. Is anybody aware of any other series that were produced in this shape?

Bridge Set - Shape 8148 Royal Doulton Dickens Ware Bridge Set - D.5682 - production era 1932 to 1941Size 12.5 cm (5") by 9 cm (3.5") and it is 2.5 (1") tall Individual Ashtray measure 7cm (2.75") by 5 cm (2") These Bridge Sets originally came with four small ashtrays. These wee trays sit nicely in the bottom of the box and are so shaped they can be stacked. It is very rare to find these sets complete. Horror of horrors - I have seen vandals selling these sets on eBay as five individual lots. These sets are rare and a complete set is well worth a premium.

Bridge Set - "Cards"

Cards Bridge Set; D5046; dated 1931

Size

13.5 cm (5.25") by 9 cm (3.5") & 5 cm (2") tall These Brige sets really are very sweet. The hollow portions of the base are match holders and they have a match striker built into one of the black faces on each upright.

Cigarette Box - shape 8366

Royal Doulton Dickens Ware Cigarette Box; D6327 Production era 1951 to late 1950Size 12 cm (4.75") by 9.5 cm (3.75") and 5.5 cm (2.25") tall

Cigarette Dispenser, Match holder with Striker Shape 8009 Royal Doulton Dickens Ware Cigarette Dispenser; D.5175 production era 1931 – 1932Size 9 cm (3.5”) across the front, 11 cm (4.25”) deep and it is 8.5 cm (3.25”) tall. Over the years I have had seen 3 of these, all have been Dickens Ware, I have not seen an example in any other series. Marcella Tobacco Jar Royal Doulton Dickens Ware Marcella Tobacco Jar - D2973 - era 1908 to 1931 16.5 cm (6.5") tall Virginia Tobacco Jar Royal Doulton Dickens Ware Virginia Tobacco Jar D2973; era 1908 to 1931Size

13.5 cm (5.4") tall Tobacco Jar with Patent Clamp Shape II I have identified two shapes with the Patented clamp system Royal Doulton Fox Hunting Tobacco Jar - D.5109 - dated 1939Size 12.5 cm (5”) diameter and it stands 9 cm (3.5”) tall

Tobacco Jar with Patent Clamp Shape II Royal Doulton Fox Hunting Tobacco Jar - D.5109era 1932 to 1942 Royal Doulton Dickens Ware Tobacco Jar; D5775production era 1931 – 1932Size 12.5 cm (5") diameter & 12 cm (4.75") tall Ancestor Ashtray Royal Doulton Gleaners & Gipsies Ancestor Ashtray; D3191 ; production era 1909 to 1932 Royal Doulton Bayeux Tapestry Ancestor Ashtray - D.2873 - production era 1907 to 1930 2 Sizes 10.5 cm (4.15") by 9.3 cm (3.75") 12.5 cm (5”) by 11.5 cm (4.5”) Ashtray Shape 89 Royal Doulton Sir Roger de Coverley Shape 89 Ashtray- D.3418production era 1911 to 1949 Royal Doulton Fox Hunting Shape 89 Ashtray - D5104production era 1932 to 1942 Size 13 cm (5.25") by 12 cm (4.75") Napier Ashtray Royal Doulton Shakespearean Characters Napier Ashtray - D.3596production era 1932 to 1942Size

13 cm (5.25") buy 12.5 cm (5")

New Rim Ashtray

Royal Doulton Pansies New Rim Ashtray; D4049 - production era 1917 to 1930
Royal Doulton Ploughing New Rim Ashtray; D4934 - production era 1929 to 1932
Size diameter of 9.2cm (3.62") Ashtray - Shape 7710 Royal Doulton Pansies Ashtray 7710; D4049 production era 1917 to 1930
Size 12 cm (4.75") across Image courtesy of Mark & Jo Murray Round Ashtray - shape 8023 & 8024

Shape 8023 and 8024 are the same, except 8023 is much smaller. Royal Doulton Woodland Round Ashtray 8023 - D.5104 - dated 1939

Size

Shape 8023 is 7.5 cm (3") diameter Shape 8024 is 12 cm (4.75") diameter "4 Rest Round" Ashtray - Shape Unknown
Royal Doulton Dickens Ware "4 Rest Round" D2973; dated April 1930
Size 13.5 cm (5.4") diameter Ashtray & Match Stand - shape 7970X
Royal Doulton "Cards" Ashtray & Match Stand - Shape 7970X production era 1932 to 1942
Size 8.5 cm (3.37") long & 6.5 cm (2.5") tall Safety Match Stand Ashtray Royal Doulton Dickens Ware Safety Match Stand Ashtray - D2973 - era 1908 to 1931
Size 16 cm (7.5") diameter & 8 cm (3.2") tall "Round Ashtray with Matchbox Holder" D3020; era 1908 to 1931
Size 19 cm (7.5") diameter & 7.5 cm (3") tall