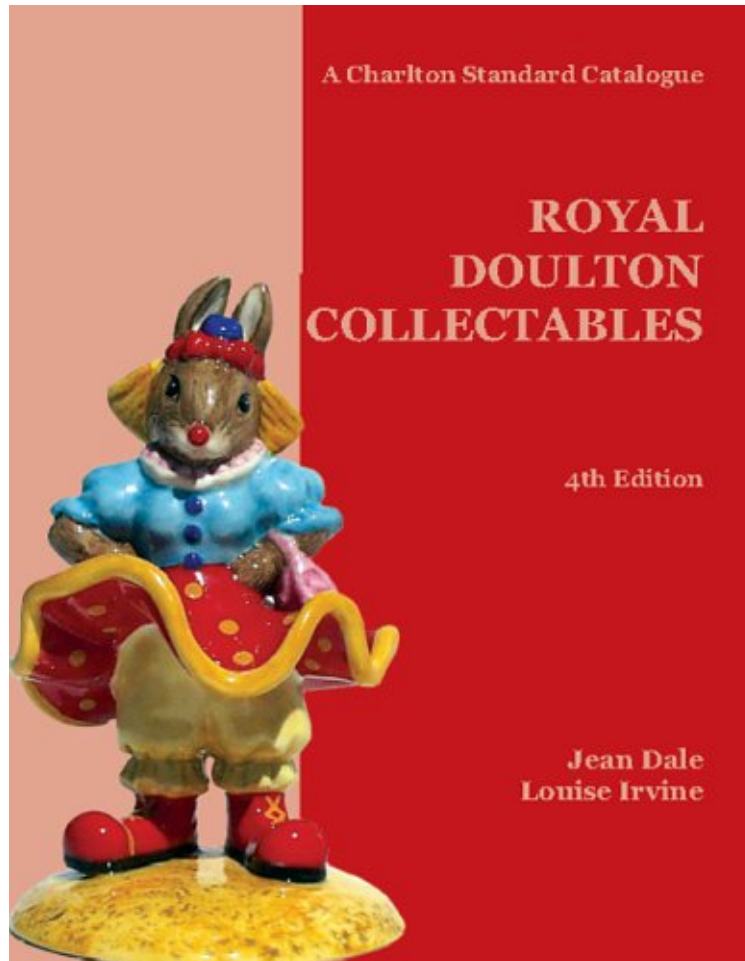


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**Jean Dale, Louise Irvine : Royal Doulton Collectables: A Charlton Standard Catalogue, Fourth Edition** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Royal Doulton Collectables: A Charlton Standard Catalogue, Fourth Edition:

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. A Valuable Guide For Bunnykin Collectors By Snowflake 15 This book is an indispensable guide to all Bunnykins collectors for its beautiful coloured glossy pictures, and its methodical and meticulous listings. When I first decided I wanted to collect these lovely figurines, I searched on the internet looking for some kind of print-out which might show what figurines were available and what year they originally came out. Unfortunately some sites on the web only list figurines which they have available, and others list none at all and many do not show any picture of the figurine itself. I found this frustrating as a collector and I wanted to know on what grand scale was the definitive Bunnykins collection so I stumbled across this book and ordered it straight away.

It is a lovely book filled with lots of coloured photographs and a complete listing up to the time of print (I bought this latest edition) and I refer to it many times over if not only to drool and dream about what my next figurine might be. Of course some figurines are a long way off, and I just chip away hence the joy of collecting. There is much fun had in my ultimate wish list and when ever my fingers (or my wallet get itchy,) I open up my book, sit back with my cup of tea and admire for free. :-)

6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Must have for Bunnykins, Brambly Hedge or Disney collector

By Chrissy1018 If you collect Royal Doulton, you are probably already aware of the Charlton Catalogues--as far as I know, they are the only current price reference guides. It is black and white, with 32 pages of color inserts of Bunnykins figures. The following is listed for each figure: photo of figure, photo of base, name, number, designer, height, color, dates issued, versions, quantity made if a limited edition, series (if applicable), varieties, and prices for each version in US, Canadian and Australian dollars, and British pounds. (I generally find that figures will sell on eBay for 25-50% of the book value, though rarer figures can be higher). This particular guide features figures produced through 2005 (copyright is 2006) in the following Royal Doulton lines:- Bunnykins Tableware- Bunnykins Figurines (porcelain and resin)- Alice in Wonderland- Brambly Hedge- Frosty Family- Harry Potter- Noddy- Nursery Rhyme Collection- Old Bear and Friends- Paddington Bear- Rupert Bear- St. Tiggywinkles- Snowman Gift Collection- Thelwell- Wind in the Willows- Wizard of Oz- Disney Characters (101 Dalmations, Cinderella, Disney Princess Collection, Disney Showcase Collection, Disney Villains, Fantasia 2000, Film Collection, Mickey Mouse Collection, Sleeping Beauty, Snow White, and Winnie the Pooh)- Advertising Characters (figures dating from 1999, in limited editions of 2,000)

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Royal Doulton Collectables 4th Edition

By Kristin Webb This is an OUTSTANDING reference book for any collector of Bunnykins! I refer to it as 'My Bunnykins Bible' because it is filled with pages of excellent selling data and photos, as well as detailed information to easily discern the many whimsical Bunnykins designs. It will provide all one needs to become a knowledgeable collector and I HIGHLY recommend for the novice or seasoned collector. It also includes photos and data about the many Bunnykins figurines; an added bonus!

The 4th edition of Royal Doulton Collectables will be released January 21st, 2006. The name change (formerly Royal Doulton Bunnykins) was made by the Charlton Press's desire not to cross brands. With the Beswick brand now having new owners we thought it best to keep the Royal Doulton and Beswick catalogues separate. In the new Royal Doulton Collectables catalogue are:

Tableware: In the year and a half since the third edition of Royal Doulton Bunnykins was released many interesting discoveries have occurred in the tableware collectables field. Thirty-six new shape/pattern combinations have been added to the pricing tables and twenty new pattern combinations have been added to the listings, several in the "rare" pattern category. Most notable in the shape/pattern combination is the discovery of a fine white china Rex Mug, large size, combining Proposal (HW11) with Pulling on Trousers (HW2), and a Beaker, large size, with the Artist (HW1) design. In pattern combinations two of the more interesting finds are Carving the Chicken (LFC) / Medicine Time (SF1) and Wedding (LFD) / Lambeth Walk, First Version (HW16). Charles Noke's Bunnykins Teapot (D6010) rose to new highs and now catalogues at \$2,000. +.

Bunnykins Banks: Finally, the Grey Rabbit has been sighted, however, the rabbit itself is not grey, but his jacket and hat are. The Royal Doulton pattern book states a grey colourway, and it was assumed the colour referred to the rabbit. We now have a grey-blue coated rabbit, and a green coated rabbit in two sizes, with mould variations in the two sizes. The grey-blue coated rabbit or First Version, carries the Tug of War backstamp. Figures: The early earthenware issues of 1939-1940 weakened a little in pricing as on-line auctions brought more pieces to market. Billy and Mother Bunnykins are the two pieces which surface more frequently. The modern series of Bunnykins, 1972-2005, again came under pressure from the weight of the on-line auctions. The tremendous number of figures changing hands in 2004-2005 leads us to believe that the supply is moving into strong collecting hands, and while prices are trending slightly lower, the curve is starting to level out. This is always a very helpful move with any collectable for the lower price on new issues expands the collector market. Fifty-five new DB numbered figures have been added to the 4th edition. While this is a fairly large number to add to the range, the MSRP fell due to the move of the production of these figures to China, and from what we can see, with no loss in quality. Certainly the body is lighter, but this is simply from a difference in slip makeup. A real positive is that the lower price will allow for a wider distribution of the Bunnykins figures into the market place. Another interesting addition to the DB range are two sets of Bunnykins Christmas Tree ornaments (DB342 to DB349), each set containing four pieces. The last Christmas Tree ornament (DB-62) Santa Bunnykins now sells for over \$500.

Storybook and Cartoon Characters: Ten models have been added to the Rupert Bear series, and a new series Frosty Family, with six figurines in the series, has been included. In the Disney Section thirteen models have been added to the Winnie the Pooh series, and there two new series Cinderella and a new Disney Princess Collection.