

## Vintage Wade House Sets

Several mythical villages made up of houses and buildings that could be found in a typical English village. Also included are sets with houses representing the mini mansions of San Francisco and the popular Coronation Street TV series.

### Whimsey-on-Why (1980 – 1987)

*Miniature villages and buildings for a fictional town of Whimsey-on-Why. Each building is individually identified with a small number enclosed in a circle, usually found on the back or in a corner. Four sets of eight and one set of four were issued.*

#### Set 1 (1980)

1-Pump Cottage	2-Morgan's the Chemist	3-Dr. Healer's House	4-Tobacconist's Shop
5-Why Knott Inn	6-Bloodshott Hall	7-St. Sebastian's Church	8-The Barley Mow

#### Set 2 (1981)

9-Greengrocer's Shop	10-Antique Shop	11-Whimsey Service Station	12-Post Office
13-Whimsey School	14-Water Mill	15-The Stag Hotel	16-Windmill

#### Set 3 (1982)

17-Tinker's Nook	18-Whimsey Station	19-Merryweather Farm	20-The Vicarage
21-Broomshaw Cottage	22-The Sweet Shop	23-Briar Row	24-The Manor

#### Set 4 (1984-1985)

25-District Bank	26-Old Smithy	27-Picture Palace	28-The Butcher's Shop
29-The Barber's Shop	30-Miss Prune's House	31-Fire Station	32-Market Hall

#### Set 5 (1987)

33-School Teacher's House	34-Fishmonger's Shop	35-Police Station	36-Library
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*Wade also issued a display card marked with locations appropriate for each of the buildings.*

### Mini Mansions / San Francisco's Painted Ladies (1984 – 1986)

A set of five ornately decorated tall Victorian homes. A tiny cable car is included with the set and each piece is identified with SF/#. The houses are numbered 1-5 and the cable car is 6.

SF/1-Pink Lady	SF/2-White Lady	SF/3-Brown Lady	SF/4-Yellow Lady	SF/5-Blue Lady
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The cable car has "Fisherman's Wharf" on the side, although in some sets the cable car reads "Maritime Museum".

### Bally-Whim (1984 – 1987)

Produced at Wade's Irish pottery, Bally-Whim is the Irish equivalent of Whimsey-on-Why. These buildings were also identified with a number enclosed in a circle, displayed on the back or in a corner. Only one set of eight was issued.

1-Undertaker's House	2-Moore's Post Office	3-Barney Flynn's Cottage	4-Kate's Cottage
5-The Dentist's House	6-Mick Murphy's Bar	7-W. Ryan's Hardware Store	8-Bally-Whim House

### Brighton Pavilion (1988)

Commissioned by the Brighton Corporation, this three piece set replicates the exotic looking, nineteenth-century structure built for King George IV in the British resort town of Brighton.

2 7/8" high circular building topped by a large bulbous dome	One 1 7/8" high, multi-windowed rectangular building with a pair of smaller domes	A second 1 7/8" high, multi-windowed rectangular building with a pair of smaller domes
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The two rectangular buildings are placed on either side of the larger circular one.

### Coronation Street Houses (1988 – 1989)

Granada Television commissioned Wade to produce this set of three of the show's actual buildings. Three of the molds used for Whimsey-on-Why were used for this set.

The Duckworth's	The Rover's Return	The Corner Shop
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### Whimsey-in-the-Vale (1993)

Wade created this miniature village using ten of the molds from Whimsey-on-Why. The buildings were given a unique look with different decorations and the addition of village residents appearing on the transfers. Whimsey-in-the-Vale buildings were not individually numbered.

Boar's Head Pub (The Barley Mow, Whimsey-on-Why Set 1)	St. John's School (The Fire Station, Whimsey-on-Why Set 4)	Jubilee Terrace (Briar Row, Whimsey-on-Why Set 3)	Town Garage (Market Hall, Whimsey-on-Why Set 4)
Antique Shop (Why Knott Inn, Whimsey-on-Why Set1)	St. Lawrence Church (St. Sebastian's Church, Whimsey- on-Why Set1)	Whimsey Post Office (Antique Shop, Whimsey-on-Why Set 2)	Florist Shop (Whimsey Service Station, Whimsey- on-Why Set2)
Vale Farm (The Stag Hotel, Whimsey-on-Why Set 2)	Rose Cottage (Post Office, Whimsey-on-Why Set2)		

A display card showing the village layout was available to accompany the buildings.

### Village Stores (1980's)

A range of four brightly decorated porcelain Storage jars with matching cheese dish, butter dish and salt and pepper shakers were issued in the 1980's.

"Ye Olde Tearoom" Tea Caddy	"The Coffee House" Coffee Jar	"Ice Cream Sweets" Sugar Jar
"Baker Loaf Cakes" Flour Jar	"Chalk and Cheese" Cheese Dish	"The Village Store – Post Office" Butter Dish
"A. Salt – Greengrocer" Salt Shaker	"B. Pepper – Family Butcher" Pepper Shaker	