

STONEWARE FAKES



A number of "faked" stoneware pieces started showing up a few years ago, and the volume has increased significantly over the past couple of years. Most of the fakes that are turning up are those with "advertising" on them. The fakes use extremely high quality labels placed on old stoneware pieces and are very difficult to detect. The only sure way to determine if the advertising label is original and fired under the glaze is to lightly scrape the surface of the label with the edge of a knife or something sharp to see if the label will scrape off. Original glazed stoneware will not be damaged. Many antique dealers and collectors are not aware that these fakes are being produced and are purchasing them as if they were original and valuable. Please pass the word to all dealers, auctioneers, and collectors.

KNOWN ADVERTISING FAKED STONEWARE AS OF FEB. 2011:

1 gallon Red Wing shoulder jug with a number 1, red wing, and small union logo
 1 gallon Red Wing shoulder jug, bottom marked, with large red wing
 101 Ranch - Ponca City, OK. (jugs of various styles and crocks)
 1/2 gallon brown top shoulder jug with miniature red wing and miniature Union Logo
 11th annual potters picnic on a 1/2 pint Bristol glaze shoulder jug (Not Red Wing jug)
 11th annual potters picnic on a Bristol glaze 1/2 pound tall butter jar (Not Red Wing Butter jar)
 A.A. Ludwig - Service-Quality-Price Gen. Mdse-Phone 72 Wisner, Neb. (jug)
 Aberdeen Tea Store - Aberdeen, SD (butter crock)
 Albert Pilger "Compliments of" - Pilger, NE. on a Weir canning Jar
 B & B Bitter Mineral Water - Bowling Green, MO (crock, not a jug)
 Brock Bros.-St. Louis, Miss. - Merry Christmas - (Zinc crock with tie ring)
 Coon Chicken Inn-Albany top zinc (jug with decal)
 Cotton Belt Route -White Only - (jug)
 Deadwood Hardware Co. - Deadwood, S. Dak (butter crock)
 Dr. Wonsers Indian Root Bitters- (jug)
 Elders Arcade Store - Blue Earth, MN (butter crock)
 Emrich's Queen Olives - Complete fake stoneware jar
 Emrich's Old Glory Vinegar - Complete fake stoneware cooler
 Gamble Dairy - Spirit Lake, IA. - (3 lb. Butter Crock)
 Geo. A. Brooks General Merchandise - Bazile Mills, Neb (various sizes butter crocks)
 Goodhue County Cooperative Company (butter crock)
 Gordon's Furniture - We Sell For Less - Kansas City (one gallon zinc tie ring crock)
 Harm's Bar - Oklahoma Territory (various jugs)
 Henry Hiller - Omaha, NE (jug)
 Hudson's Bay Co. - Winnipeg (jug)
 J. Hungerford Smith's Fountain Syrup-Cardinal Cherry (Paper Label jug)
 J. H. Conradt & CO - Stillings, MO (various jugs)
 J. P. Hauer - Wholesale Liquor Dealer - Kearney, NE. (jug)
 J.R. Ellis & Sons - Boston -(Red Wing fancy jug bottom marked RWSCo)
 John Baum Liquors - Stillings, MO (jug)
 Kaysville, Utah stoneware
 Mitchell & Cohagen - Hordville, NE 1909 (jug)
 Missouri Pacific Lines Railroad - (jug)
 Otto Kuehne - (Paper label on 1 qt. bailed preserve jar)
 Pat's Grocery - Esbon, KS (jug)
 Pioneer Saloon - Goodsprings, NV, 1915 (jug)
 Potter's Excursion 1915 - (1/2 pint jug and 1/2 lb. butter not Red Wing)
 Prell Merchantile Company - Bremen, Kans
 Property of Pepsi Cola (in red letters) - (Western Pottery labeled jug)
 S. Kovar General Merchandise - Howells, Nebr. 1906 (crock)
 Seabock Hardware - The Winchester Store - Marshalltown, IA (Marshalltown misspelled on Chicken Waterer)
 Shanghi Saloon - Auburn, CA (jug)
 Sheffern All Spice - (Paper label on jug)
 Storm Lake, Ia. - (butter crock)
 The Bee Hive - Grand Island, NE Phone 100 (Faked label on a Western beater jar)
 The Farmers Store Co. - General Merchandise - Plains, Kansas (jug)
 Thos. Moore Rye Whiskey - McKeesport, Pa - (Jug)
 Trotters 1862 XXX Pure Rye (vinyl letters on jug)
 Weir canning jar with single red wing
 Yallar Dorg Saloon jug - J. B. Eldridge Red Rock, I.T. (Laser cut lettering on old jugs-several known)