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The MD guide to the top 40 household ornaments of our youth. In order.

Number 40.

The onyx cigarette box and matching lighter.

Box always empty. Lighter never worked.



Number 39.

The sinister mantle clock.



Number 38

The wondrous motion lamp



Number 37

The flintlock pistol lighter. Always going missing from the stand. Always found in the toy box.



Number 36

The curious castanets hung on a big hook.



Number 35

A precious piece of blue Wedgewood Jasperware



Number 34

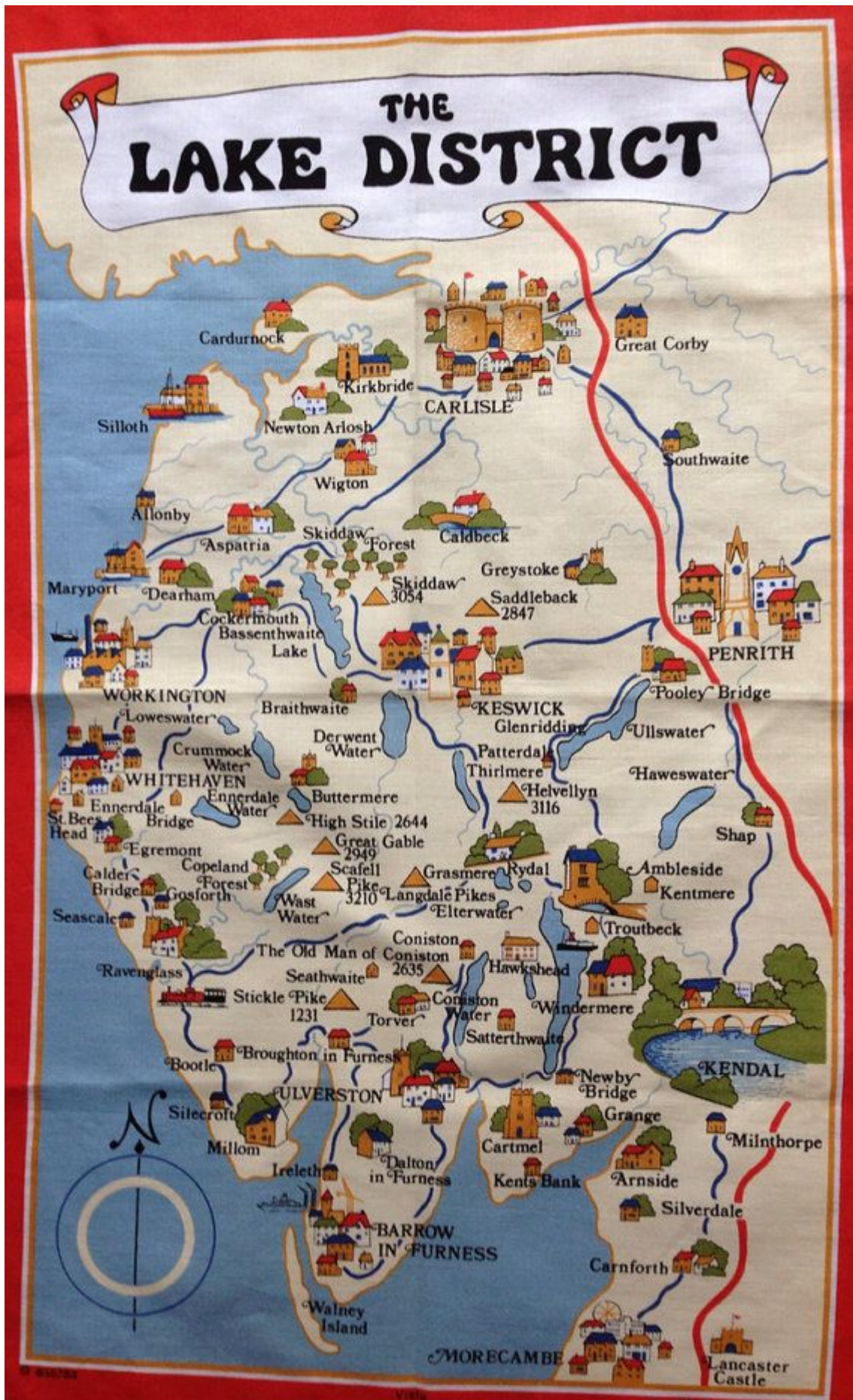
The baffling collection of random pot thimbles



Number 33

A Lake District tea towel drawing pinned to the kitchen wall.

We'd never been to the Lake District.



Number 32

The astonishing drinking bird.



Number 31

A massively heavy glass ashtray



Number 30

The nightmare inducing Toby Jug



Number 29

The brass crocodile nutcracker

The 1972 Christmas surprise hit



Number 28

The tragic Capodimonte tramp



Number 27

The mystifyingly popular horse brass



Number 26

The depressing dome clock



Number 25

Empty Avon bottles used as ornaments.



Number 24

The lifelong love of the Wade Whimsie



Number 23

The brass toasting fork. An all-to-convenient living room weapon.



Number 22

A Shire Horse. With a name. Usually Hercules.



Number 21

The magnificent starburst wall clock.



Number 20

An ornamental chip pan. On display in the kitchen. Never used in anger. We kid you not.



Number 19

The floor standing ashtray



Number 18

A brewery mirror



Number 17

The strange world of wine bottle candle holders.



Number 16

Wall art.



Number 15

The painted velvet scroll. Always hung in the hall.



Number 14

The horror of the 'antique' reproduction telephone.



Number 13

The Capodimonte Rose. Every single one in Scotland was broken. Our masterful post-fight emergency Araldite repair remained undetected for years.



Number 12

A Bulrush and Pampas Grass indoor 'arrangement'.



Number 11

The Flamenco figurine



Number 10

The toilet roll doll



Number 9



Number 8

The solid silver plated After Eight carriage



Number 7

A giant wooden fork and spoon



Number 6

Flying ducks



Number 5

Small glass animals



Number 4

The glass fish



Number 3

The terrifying glass clown



Number 2

The brandy glass, cat and sometimes even the mouse.



Number 1

The magnificent, if somewhat delicate, wooden gazelle.

Superb input from the MD community ■

May you all eventually get to sample After Eights from a silver plated carriage. x

