



Little Luvables (Porcelain) â€” Four Dolls w/ Stands & Plastic Covers



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Starting Bid **\$100.00**

Retail Value \$250.00

Donated by Dennis & Hada Rogers

Total of four (4) doll's.

One of the most significant precursors of the modern porcelain (bisque) doll arrived during the 15th-century “nativity scene” movement in Italy, where elaborate exhibitions were made (particularly during the Christmas season) in which dozens and dozens of dolls were arranged to represent the famous moments from the life of Jesus. As Renaissance started spreading across Europe, 16th-century France became the homeland of the first organized movement to create elaborately **clothed wooden dolls** that were made for children and adults from wealthier or royal families.

Since wooden dolls prevented toymakers from creating realistic-looking recreations of the human form (especially problematic were the face and eyes), the European market had to wait for a long time until new suitable material would appear. This happened in the early 19th century when European toymakers learned the secrets of making **Chinese porcelain**.