

COLLECTIONS



← LARGEST NODDY COLLECTION

Betty and Johnny Hopton (UK, left) have collected 1,351 different Noddy items, devoting every room in their home to the Enid Blyton character. Their most valuable item, a Noddy car, is worth about \$1,725 (£1,100).

▶ LARGEST UNOPENED BEER BOTTLE COLLECTION

Peter Broeker (Germany) has a collection of 8,131 unduplicated full beer bottles from 110 countries.

▶ LARGEST AUTOGRAPHED DRUMSTICK COLLECTION

Peter Lavinger (USA) has collected over 1,300 drumsticks since 1980, all of which have been played and handed to him by drummers from various popular bands, including Ringo Starr (UK) of The Beatles. His collection has been valued at over \$1 million (£635,700).

▶ LARGEST COLLECTION OF HOTEL BAGGAGE LABELS

Over the past 40 years, Robert Henin (USA) has collected 1,067 hotel baggage labels from different countries around the world. Hotel labels date back to the 19th century when fewer people traveled abroad. Labels were created as a means of advertising each hotel, and they were stuck to travelers' suitcases as a testimony to places they had visited.

▶ LARGEST AEROPLANE SICK BAG COLLECTION

Niek Vermeulen (Netherlands) has 3,240 airline sickness bags from 740 different airlines, topping a list of over 50 serious airsickness bag collectors. Legend has it that the airsickness bag was invented sometime in the 1920s after a particularly turbulent flight from Moscow to Berlin.

▶ LARGEST COLLECTION OF HATS

The record for the largest collection of hats is 20,422 and is held by residents of the Tustumena Lodge, Kasilof, Alaska, USA.

▶ LARGEST COLLECTION OF BUMPER STICKERS

The largest collection of car bumper stickers is owned by Bill Heermann (USA), who has amassed 3,230 since 1984.

▶ LARGEST AIRLINE TAG COLLECTION

Raghav Somani (India) has a collection of 469 airline tags from 115 worldwide airlines, which he has been collecting since 1994.

▶ LARGEST COLLECTION OF SAME BRAND SOFT DRINK CANS

Christian Cavaletti (Italy) has a collection of 3,284 different Pepsi cans from 71 different countries, which he has been collecting since 1989.

▶ LARGEST MODEL AIRPLANE COLLECTION

The largest collection of hand-made model airplanes is owned by Robert Humphrey (USA). Robert's collection consists of 1,728 plastic airplane models, all of which he has assembled himself.

