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JUMBO Christmas Ornaments

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It's easy to find room on your tree for one more ornament, except maybe if it's an extra-large one. I always put the big ornaments on the tree first. But maybe you can still find a place for one of these beauties. They just became available so we'll make do.

Several of these ornaments have caps stamped "West Germany." Two have plastic caps---I think they started doing that in Germany after WWII. Two are marked Austria, which is rare. I don't think I've seen more than a handful of ornaments that are marked for that country.



The lone large American ornament is likely WWII era. That is when "silvering" was not possible due to wartime material shortages, and



manufacturers made colored glass to make their products more attractive. Sometimes they added a bit of tinsel inside the ornament, for added appeal, which this bright pink ornament has.

uncommon find. My guess is it was made in Poland.

Inevitably, some of this group are unmarked as to country of origin. A few have some freehand painting, which is always nice. The largest of this group is a quadruple indent, an

We have a group of standard sized ornaments too. These are a miscellany. Normally I try to do some sort of theme in the blog, but at season's end that is hard to do. Perhaps the most interesting ornament in this group is a peach. This is probably German, or maybe Czech. It is in excellent



vintage condition, with little or no fading. There are several nice American made stenciled ornaments, from the 50's or 60's. One has a moon and stars, another has a snowman on skis, a third has a nice group of children's toys, and a fourth depicts Santa in a horse drawn sleigh. Five of the ornaments are



transparent, so they are circa WWII, and two of these have tinsel inside. Another that catches my eye is a teardrop shaped Czech ornament with a hand painted design. Like the peach, it is also unsilvered, so it was probably made during or just after the war.

Lastly is a little collection of smaller "building" or "architectural" ornaments. The most common is a church, but I have found some houses, too, and even a windmill. All of these ornaments are in very good vintage condition. We can send more photos if you need them----just ask Rosemary. Have a Merry Christmas!



Please [email me](#) if you have any questions or comments. If you are interested in

purchasing ornaments pictured in this blog, please contact Rosemary, who handles mail order sales, at 262.693.2040 x101 or info@milaegers.com.