



Above: In addition to taxis and other vehicles, Dinky made many items that could be used to enhance toy train layouts or other scenes.

Dinky made several sets of signage, one of which (no. 592) contains a French sign that designates a taxi stand.

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Introduction

This site contains a gallery of about 20 Dinky toy taxis (depending on how you count them).

The basic source of information about these taxis is *Dinky Toys* by Dr. Edward Force (3rd edition; Schiffer Publications, 1996).

Dr. Force (1938-2013) was probably best known for his many books on Dinky and other collectible toys, but he had wide interests.

He held a PhD in German and taught German at Central Connecticut State University for 42 years as well as working as a translator. He was an avid geologist, entomologist and botanist, an advisor to many 4H clubs

and an active member of gem and mineral clubs ([obituary link](#)).

Dinky Toys is illustrated with a large number of toys from Dr. Force's personal collection of 1,900 items, but the pictures in this gallery come from the web.

Links to picture sources are provided in all cases. Thanks are due to the vendors and collectors who made pictures accessible on the web.

The remarkable and complicated story of Frank Hornby and Dinky toys has been told many times, but here is a convenient place to start:

- "Frank Hornby," Wikipedia ([Link](#)).
- "Dinky Toys," Wikipedia ([Link](#)).

