






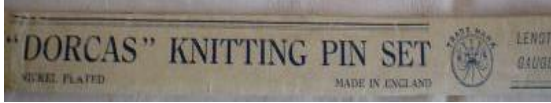







## Knitting Needle Brands and Company Names - Names Beginning with D

Name	Brand Names, Company Names, Other Relationships	Material	Type	Owner/Contributer	Notes
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Daintee	Brand name used by Coles Australia (along with Embassy and Keepair) - possibly only for yarn and not for needles ?	resin	SP	SEW - gift from Gay Lines	
Daiso	Japanese firm Daiso Sangyo Inc, making lifestyle items and gifts	bamboo	SP	CC3212	labelling on plastic sleeve says "imported pro Daiso Brasil"
Dama			SP		US brand
Daylo					a description of the pearlised finish on some needles
Davey & Clarke	English ?		sp	Poynter	Marked Ilford & Seven Kings -- probably a store with 2 branches which had the needles made for them.
DCN or D.C.N.	Dominion Comb & Novelty Co. Brand name is Perfecto			SEW CC 2069. CC 2056 is a kit.	Canadian firm which made/sold knitting needles, kits, and other haberdashery in the 1960-70's?? There is more information under Perfecto.
Dean		resin	straight		
Defense					black paper packet, gold lettering, sold in Australia
Delta		metal	SP	SEW	op shop find
Denise			straight circular		come in kits to screw on; "dates to 1977"
Dependo		resin	straight		marked DEPENDO ENGLAND. Also sometimes DEPENDON ??
Dependoid		plastic?	straight		"made in England" in shank
Dewhurst	Skipton firm. Also made sewing cottons under the Sylko brand name.		SP, circular	SEW CC530, 1646, 1744	Needles have a grey plastic shaft with a red stopper like ACE but no brand name on it -- name Dewhurst appears on a red plastic clasp (similar to Milward Disc plastic wrapper). CC 1744 is a rectangular hard plastic case for KN with internal divisions and the name Dewhurst in the plastic moulding of the lid. Same case also appears with name as Scoville Dritz (CC 3179)
Dexter	Lee Wards' brand See lacebuttons.com for history. Dexter Yarn Co was founded in 1798, was taken over by Collingbourne about 1927, and was sold to Leeward Products LTD about 1949.		circular		
Diadem	See also entries for Standard and Millimetre	Celluloid steel	straight	SEW CC1005	Self-coloured button mushroom stopper with Diadem around the rim and the size in the middle. AND, I think Diadem needles sometimes had an oval label on the shaft marked Standard or Millimetre with the size in the centre. See entries under these names and photo under Standard which shows both the Diadem marked stopper and the label. Haberdashery included a leather, metal-edged sleeve to hold needles, and a celluloid needle gauge about 1917 or so. See also the entry in lacebuttons.com
Diamante		aluminum	4 X DP straight	SEW CC 1005, 2947	SP are blue anodised, one-piece shank and stopper -- made in Italy. CC 2947 is a perished paper wrapper for 4 x DP aluminum
Diamond	Peerless Novelty Co., Grand Haven Michigan	steel	5xDP	SEW CC 941, 994, 851, 359, 1917, 2947	six-inch needles in a shallow cardboard box. See also America brand and Liberty brand for same box. CC 2947 is 4 DP in a paper wrapper; assume this is the same firm. 
Diana	This is Boye's downmarket brand		SP, DP	SEW CC507, 537, 1529, 2035	Brand name Diana appears on the packaging, but the needles in the plastic sleeves always say Boye or have no brand name on the needle.
Diana	German ?		SP		
Dig				SEW CC2129	CC 2129 is a wholesalers box with metal needles. The box was bought in Greece, but not made there. 
Disc	Milward brand		SP, DP	SEW 904	This word appears on the short, thick red or blue plastic clasp of certain Milward needles, and seems to refer to the style of stopper with the size on a circular disk with a cream plastic ring around it - very distinctive.

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DMC	seller bought in Holland		5 x dp	SEW CC 2975	
Doll Designs		metal	SP	SEW CC1141	Size 20, so presumably used to knit doll clothes.
Don Maid	Donisthorp & Co, Leicester, primarily makers of sewing cotton	metal	SP	SEW	
Dorcas	The name Dorcas was considered to be in the public domain and was used by many manufacturers (see NN #11, p 78 and # 15 p100). Used by Morris & Yeoman and D.F. Taylor in the UK and Howard Mft Co. in NY, USA - and probably others - see photocopy of catalogue	steel	4 x DP	SEW CC989	graphic of this (or very similar) packet appears in Newey & Tayler 1932 catalogue 
Dorcotine					Proprietary name for plastic knitting needles made by Charles Horner Ltd in the 1920's
Dorothy Bradford	Brand name ultimately owned by Hero Scoville, but I think this was originally an independent firm.	resin, steel	SP circular	SEW CC428, 2485	1920's ?? 
Dosco	Elastic	steel and plastic cabel		BW / SEW CC 776, 2743	German firm, Dossman & Co, after WW2 (ref NN, Vol 2). CC 2743 - shaft is slimmer towards the stopper. Dosco was for a time a supplier to Sydney department store Farmer's, with the Dosco brand name appearing on Farmers brand sewing needles (source, Karen Kearney) 
Dosco Dur	German ?	grey alumium shaft with unusual stoppers	SP	SEW CC2975	
Double Century	Brand name created by James Smith & Sons in 1898 to celebrate their 200th anniversary. Ultimately a Milward brand; also used the sub-brand name Steelnoid for circular needle. This box also appeared with Wm Briggs & Co on the label.	SP were plastic coated metal core, also steel DP	SP 4xDP sold in flat tin tube, SP, circular, crochet hooks, etc.	GL/SEW CC1941. CC3261 is a paper wrapper with size. CC 2530 - boxed Steelnoid. CC 2649 - inner flyer and cable needle	Label on flat pressed tin tube to hold double points says "James Smith & Sons. The Reg-d Double Century Case Size < > Est 1698". Milwards used this brand as a "superior" line until the 1930s, especially for plastic-coated steel-cored single points. CC 2649 inner flyer and cable needle. See also worksheet Tubular Clasped Boxed 
Double Diamond	English		4xDP	SEW	paper packet only, which says "Use 'DOUBLE DIAMOND' Knitting Wools and EAGLEY" Mendings" Found by GL in Bendigo. Molly Pearce says Eagley Mills, situated 2.5 miles n of Bolton, Lancashire, was where J&R Chadwick began business in 1820, making cotton thread and tape.
Dreadnought Cylinder, The		cardboard	case	CC 2358	
Dreamz	brand name of Knitters Pride	wood	5xdp	SEW	made in India
Dritz	John Dritz & Sons, New York 16, N.Y. (US two-digit postal zones started in 1943)  Also had an alliance with Scoville	resin	straight circular	SEW CC1005, 2506	CC2506 is an all-wire circular with the brand name inscribed on the needle itself. CC3179 is a flat rectangular hard plastic needle case with internal divisions, and name moulded with the plastic lid. See also CC 1744 for same case with Dewhurst brand name

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Du Berry			SP	SEW CC1005	
Duralite	Shrimpton brand	metal	straight 4xDP	SEW CC794, 1553	
Duraluminum	impressed on some needles by Fingertip				
Duroloid	brandname of W.L. Jager. Firm also produced haberdashery like their bell gauge and the Dainty Dinah gauge.		4xdp	CC3581	CC 3581 - 4 x DP different packaging
Durex	brand name of British Rubber	resin?	straight 4xDP	GL/SEW CC 3491	CC3491 is a 1930s box of SP in paper bands or wrappers
Dustan's					1850-60, haberdashery firm in London - refer Molly Pearce
Dutchess	P.G. Roberts' brand				
Dynasty		bamboo	SP		
Dyno			circular straight		