

Dinky? does any one know what this is? ...It Is Tekno!!!

Posted by Nobleco - 23 Jan 2020 05:47



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Re: Dinky? does any one know what this is?

Posted by karls - 13 Feb 2020 11:20

Both companies made different sizes! Many collectors call them all Dodge out of convenience...



Tekno Tekno Vilmer Vilmer Tekno

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Re: Dinky? does any one know what this is?

Posted by Tick - 13 Feb 2020 13:37

I also have similar Vilmer models but Chevrolet trucks.

here is an example

www.ebay.ca/itm/VILMER-DENMARK-No-456-19...f:g:uRgAAOSwjLZePIAf

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Re: Dinky? does any one know what this is?

Posted by Nobleco - 13 Feb 2020 17:18

Karl, I think you have a Chevy Truck on the left there. about the late 1940's when they did not change the grille much.

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Re: Dinky? does any one know what this is?

Posted by karls - 13 Feb 2020 23:49

I think we have hijacked this thread - hope no one minds. Tekno and Vilmer are my passions, so I can go on forever! 🍌

As shown in Tick's ebay link, that is a Vilmer Chevrolet. But Noble is also right in that the largest one on the left (a Tekno) is closer to a Chevy truck prototype than a Dodge. Some of the following are my assumptions - no historical record has been found so far! 🍌

Lego or perhaps another Danish toy producer made a Chevy truck in 1/43 or 1/50 scale in many variations. Yes, that Lego - all in plastic. Their ads called it a Chevy. Then Tekno and at least one other Danish toy company made their own variation in metal. These were generic and never advertised as Chevy (or Dodge), perhaps to avoid being sued. They looked a little like their smaller Dodge trucks; hence, collectors call them Dodge!

Clear as mud?

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Re: Dinky? does any one know what this is?

Posted by karls - 13 Feb 2020 23:53

I forgot to say that Tekno was one of the first companies to make specific wheels for each toy vehicle. The large Dodge on the left as well as the other large ones all have Dodge wheels! My favorite Dodge: www.carmodel.com/tekno/736-1/1-43/dodge/...cassette-birra/13120

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Re: Dinky? does any one know what this is?

Posted by karls - 29 Sep 2020 00:23

As a follow-up, I am writing the history of Vilmer Toys for MAR Online. I did the large Dodge and am working on the small ones now! www.maronline.org.uk/the-history-of-vilmer-toys-part-ii/

If you want to geek out on Vilmer Denmark!!!

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Re: Dinky? does any one know what this is?

Posted by Tick - 29 Sep 2020 03:03

Excellent article. Really, thank you.

I have a few of these Vilmer Dodge trucks (and Tekno). Now I appreciate them even more actually knowing something about them.

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