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Dear Clay-Mate Collector,

We hope you had a fantastic summer!! It always goes soooooo quickly. The Fall weather is moving in, and along with that comes School, seeing new friends, playing football/soccer/cheerleading, enjoying all your special activities, and of course sharing the joy of Collecting Clay-Mates with those around you! Clay-Mates make a great Birthday present, a nice way of telling someone they have done a good job, and a terrific incentive. They are a wonderful way to cheer someone up, say Thank you for a kind deed, wish Good Luck/Congratulations or just to show someone your love and friendship.

We have 5 New-born Clay-Mates for you this month: 2 Classic, 2 Classic Plus and 1 Occasion. We hope you enjoy reading all about them...but read carefully because there is a competition with one of our New Clay-Mates and an opportunity to win a FREE Clay-Mate.

We have included information about our Collectors House. This is a great way to display your Clay-Mate Collection. For a limited time (the month of September) if you purchase a Collectors House you will receive a Thank You Occasion AND a FREE Collectors Poster (#1)

So read on and Enjoy!

Happy Collecting! The Clay-Mate Crew



New Clay-Mates

'Didjeri' ... A kangaroo (Classic)



Didjeri - hopped off the boat from Australia and he's not stopped moaning about our weather since!

**I'm brown and I'm Didjeri, the kangaroo.
I jump high and things stay in my pocket.
Right over houses and gum trees too.
A few bounds and I'm off like a rocket.**

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'HATTIE' ...a Hippopotanurse 'Occasion'

Not your normal ideal nurse, we admit, but Hippopotami can be quite caring but only with careful training! Just getting around the wards they can cause more injuries than they fix.

**If you're hurting and sore I'm your gal.
With my scope and my box of pills.
Tell me your aches and tell me your pains
And I'll soothe away all of your ills!!**

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Sending an Occasion Clay-Mate?



If you plan to cheer someone up who's not too well - there can hardly be a better way than to send HippopotaNurse, HATTIE (pictured above) in an Occasion box (we suggest the one pictured left... sorry, that's a bit obvious!).

You can write a fun message inside the packaging and once they are all better, we bet that HATTIE will always have a special place in their home and in their heart..

[Click here for Occasion Clay-Mates](#)

'GUMBOOT' - Another Dawg! (Classic)



I'm NOT begging - I am just sitting up sniffing the air... mmmmm, smells tasty.

Dogs cannot be too colorful - don't you think? BTW - do you know how many dogs we have in the total Clay-Mates collection? See if you can find out by going to our website.

I arrived with my mate, the other hound, That's BERTIE with the turquoise fur. Strutting through town, we'd cut quite a dash Anointing each lamp post with a little 'splash', Eyes peeled for the police officer!

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'ORWELL'... Wize old owl - (Classic Plus)

This new Clay-Mate took his name from a famous author. The first ten collectors to email us with the full name of the author and his most famous book gets to win me!!!!

With a 'Mortar-Board' upon my head.
You might take me for a teacher
I'd prefer not to look so clever...
But when I emerged from the kiln it was stuck on
forever.
The folks at the pottery said it was a 'nice little
feature!'
(They don't have to hunt mice in it though, do they!!)



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'BERTIE' A Dog like a log- (Classic Plus)



Standing on all fours, introducing himself is our new
turquoise sausage-dog. Did someone say
walkies??! travelled to earth from another world
The Clay-Mate dogs form quite a pack
Their leader is Picasso the painter
If they'll let me in, I'll join their gang Ranging and
roaming - showing our fangs
But It's all an act as we couldn't be tamer!
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Clay-Mates Collectors House



Keep your Clay-Mates Collection safe in this specially designed house with 100 spaces. The bottom two rows are a little larger for your taller Clay-Mates. Constructed of wood, it also comes with tweezers to help you move around your special collection. For a limited time (for the month of September) receive a Thank You Occasion AND A Collectors Poster with each purchase.

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Hallmark-The Mark of Authenticity.



Just like precious jewelry, our little creatures are carefully handmade with love by real humans! And they put a very small 'hallmark' on all Clay-Mates while the clay is still wet.

We do this for several reasons. Firstly, we want you to know that you are buying real Clay-Mates and secondly, in years to come, we will be able to look back and tell when (and where) they were made.

The hallmark shown is the first one we used back in 2002 and we have used several since. The latest is 'kk'. We are working on a mark for the ClassicPlus range so people will be able to tell them apart more easily.

Next Month....BOO!!!

October is the month when all the spooky things come out to play...witches, goblins, bats, ghosts....BOO!! And we have a treat for you (and maybe a treat!)....Stay tuned for a New Halloween Clay-Mate.

Happy Collecting!

The Clay-Mate Crew

For any questions about Clay-Mates, feel free to contact us. We are always delighted to hear from our Collectors!

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