

## Clayful

## The big world of tiny ceramics

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## A tiny book showcasing some of the world's tiniest ceramics.

Often no taller than two or three centimetres, miniature ceramics are much smaller than the hands that craft them. Perfectly formed, these miniscule pottery pieces can only hold a small sprig of tiny flowers at most, but they contain all the talent of larger works.

Clayful showcases 30 international ceramicists whose miniature vessels invite you to lean in and marvel. With precise craftmanship, these artists transform clay in joyful interpretations of classic forms and techniques, shrunk down to fit on the tip of a finger, barely taller than a coin.





























