

About the doll used to make “Baby Vincent”

He is an 8 inch ‘Palm Pals’ doll, one of a set with names. The face was easy to “adapt” to a baby Vincent because it is quite solid and therefore could be carved to remove the tongue, and do a minor embellishment for the features with baked polymer clay.

The dolls were manufactured in the late 1990s by Gi-Go Toys in Hong Kong. The dolls all have real expressions, some of them comical - happy, crying, sad, tongue out, drooling, laughing, surprised, yawning, pouting, sleepy, etc. The same expression was repeated with different hair colours and eyes. The eyes are glossy acrylic ‘pinwheel’ style, and realistic. The hair is rooted and thick. The boy dolls wear onesies, while the girl dolls wear dresses.

The dolls have ‘bean bag’ cloth torsos and upper arms and legs, with rubberized plastic arms, legs and head. The bodies were stuffed with plastic “beans”, sometimes called nurdles. Some may have been produced with polyester fibrefill instead. Mine has the latter - but needed more of it to firm the body.

There were 24 different dolls, all with names, both male and female, with different hair colours and eyes. Some dolls had ethnic skin colours and hair. A North American Indian doll and a Negro doll have been photographed. There was also a Japanese doll.



Many of these dolls are for sale on eBay and other sites. The named dolls in the series are:

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| #1 Iris | #7 Adam | #13 Colin | #19 Dana |
| #2 Bo | #8 Vera | #14 Alice | #20 Karl |
| #3 Anne | #9 Hale | #15 Nikki | #21 Wendy |
| #4 Mona | #10 Eva | #16 Toby | #22 Todd |
| #5 Toni | #11 Cara | #17 Sean | #23 Dean |
| #6 Flora | #12 Tim | #18 Brad | #24 Tiffany |



Here are four dolls with their name tags.



These dolls are unnamed. The one on the right is the one used for Baby Vincent.



Another doll with her name tag



Another doll like that used for Baby Vincent, but with different hair colour and eyes.