

Pottery



Useful?

Pottery had been produced since earliest times and before the production of plastic was used for almost all kitchen and tableware and ornaments of all qualities.

Factory system extended even to this ancient craft. Josiah Wedgwood set up his famous potteries in the Midlands (Etruria) in the mid 1700s, using clays from various sites, including Dorset. This family's products have always traditionally been based on ancient Greek and Roman styles and are still popular today.

Transport of heavy (clay) and fragile (pottery) goods meant that developments in the pottery industry were inevitably linked with developments in transport (see Canals).