

THE HISTORY OF PYREX



1915 CORNING GLASS INTRODUCES CLEAR GLASS PYREX

In 1915 Corning Glass introduced the world to clear glass bakeware made of heat resistant borosilicate. Homemakers love it for its quick, even cooking.

1945 OPALWARE IN BRIGHT COLORS

In 1945, the now iconic mixing bowl set in primary colors on "opal" (white) glass hit stores. Over the years, a virtual rainbow of colors were introduced.



1958 PATTERNED PYREX

One of the first patterns to make its way onto Pyrex was the extremely popular "Gooseberry" (seen left). Ultimately, Corning created over 150 patterns.

1960'S

The 1960's brought with it a number of fun, mod patterns, like Verde (right)--a series of square-shaped flowers and Polka Dot. But Pyrex produced several staid, patriotic patterns like Federal Eagle and Early American.



1970'S

During the 1970's Pyrex colors began to trend toward earth tones, like Gold Butterfly (left) and Spring Blossom (with avocado flowers). But not to worry, the decade was brightened by a number of lovely blue patterns, too.

1986 CORNING STOPS MAKING OPAL PATTERNED PYREX

The era of collectible vintage Pyrex in beautiful hues and fascinating patterns ends in 1986 due to a dramatic decrease in interest.

1998 CORNING SELLS PYREX TO CORELLE BRANDS

Corelle Brands continues to produce Pyrex, but in clear glass only. Although some pieces are decorated with gay patterns, they can't compete with their vintage cousins.

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