

Where to buy sweet jars

From the sweeties.net wiki

Our trade section at sweeties.net sells traditional shop style glass sweet jars with lids, in packs of six, for display on a counter or to fill as gifts. They sit alongside the rest of the kit for a pick and mix counter: see [where to buy a pick and mix stand](#)

A very old picture

The sweet shop window full of jars is an old image. In 1825 the writer William Hone described confectioners polishing their tall glass jars for Twelfth Day, filled with peppermint drops, elecampane, sugar sticks, hardbake, brandy balls and bullseyes. Two years later a shop in Pateley Bridge, North Yorkshire, began selling sweets, and it is still trading today: see [the history of the sweet shop](#) and [the oldest sweet shop in England](#)

Glass lets customers see exactly what they are buying, and sweets kept in jars were weighed out by the shopkeeper, traditionally by the quarter pound: see [what is a quarter of sweets?](#)

Keeping sweets in a jar

A jar is only as good as its lid. For sweets that stay fresh:

- **Seal it.** Use a lid that closes tightly, so hard sweets do not pull moisture from the air and turn sticky, and soft sweets do not dry out.
- **Keep it cool and dry.** Out of direct sunlight and away from heat.
- **Keep kinds apart.** Over time, moisture moves from soft, moist sweets into dry, hard ones, so for long storage keep them in separate jars.

See [how should you store pick and mix?](#)

The jar guessing game

Guessing the number of sweets in a jar is a game played at fetes and parties, and there is science to it: round sweets fill about 64 per cent of the space in a jar, and M&M shaped sweets about 68 to 71 per cent: see [how to guess the number of sweets in a jar](#)

Filling a jar as a gift

A jar of pick and mix makes a simple present. You can build the mix by the 100 g in our shop, where every sweet's card opens up to show its full ingredients and allergens, which matters when the jar is for someone else.

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