

**porcelain**

1. [ˈpɔːslɪn] *n*
  - 1) фарфор
  - 2) *преим. pl* фарфоровое изделие
2. [ˈpɔːslɪn] *a*
  1. фарфоровый
    - porcelain cup - фарфоровая чашка
    - porcelain shell - раковина каури
    - porcelain enamel - фарфоровая эмаль
  2. хрупкий, изящный

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**por-cel-ain** [porcelain porcelains] *BrE* [ˈpɔːsəlɪn] *NAmE* [ˈpɔːrsəlɪn] **noun****uncountable, countable**

a hard white shiny substance made by baking <sup>↑</sup>clay and used for making delicate cups, plates and decorative objects; objects that are made of this

- a porcelain figure
- a collection of oriental porcelain
- The design is copied from Japanese porcelains of the fourteenth century.

Word Origin:

mid 16th cent.: from French **porcelaine**, from Italian **porcellana** ‘cowrie shell’, hence ‘**chinaware**’ (from its resemblance to the dense polished shells).

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[**Date:** 1500-1600; **Language:** French; **Origin:** porcelaine, from Italian porcellana 'type of shell, porcelain']

1. a hard shiny white substance that is used for making expensive plates, cups etc ⇒ **china**:  
a porcelain vase
2. plates, cups etc made of this ⇒ **china**

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