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*Effanbee "Patsy Babyette" Twin Set
Boy & Girl — circa 1931–1940s — 10"*

CURRENT MARKET VALUE

\$175 – \$265

*Twin set premium — boy & girl pair
with matching original outfits & sleep eyes
Based on 2024–2025 Etsy & eBay sold data*

Effanbee "Patsy Babyette" Twins

*Boy & Girl Matched Pair — All Composition, 10" — Sleep Eyes
Fleischaker & Baum (Effanbee) — New York, circa 1931–1940s*

HISTORY

The Effanbee "Patsy" family of dolls is among the most celebrated and collected series in American doll history. Introduced in 1927 by the Effanbee Doll Company (founded 1910 by Bernard Fleischaker and Hugo Baum), the Patsy line grew to encompass over a dozen sizes and variations — from the tiny 6" Wee Patsy to the grand 30" Skippy. The "Patsy Babyette," introduced around 1931, was one of the smallest and most endearing members of the family, produced in approximately 9"–10" sizes as a sweet all-composition baby doll. These charming little figures were marketed with coordinating boy-and-girl twin sets, making matched pairs especially sought-after by collectors. With their distinctive molded hair, expressive sleep eyes, and jointed composition bodies, the Patsy Babyette twins embodied the playful spirit of Depression-era American dollmaking — affordable luxury that brought joy to children across the country.

NOTABLE INFORMATION

- ◆ Manufacturer: Effanbee (Fleischaker & Baum) — New York City, est. 1910
- ◆ Model: "Patsy Babyette" — introduced circa 1931
- ◆ Size: 10 inches tall — all-composition, fully jointed
- ◆ Era: 1930s–1940s — Patsy family golden period
- ◆ Set: Matched boy & girl twin pair — rare and desirable configuration
- ◆ Eyes: Green sleep eyes — open and close with movement
- ◆ Hair: Brown molded hair with painted detail — characteristic Patsy style
- ◆ Costumes: Coordinating corduroy overalls with pink (girl) & blue (boy) blouses; matching caps

- ✦ Construction: All-composition head, torso & limbs — fully strung jointed
- ✦ Condition: Very good — vibrant costumes, sleep eyes functioning, composition intact

COLLECTOR NOTES

Matched Patsy Babyette twin sets — boy and girl together in coordinating original outfits — are significantly rarer and more desirable than single examples. The Patsy family is one of the most actively collected composition doll series, with a devoted collector community. This pair presents exceptionally well: the sleep eyes are intact and functional, the coordinating corduroy overalls and caps are complete and in excellent condition, and the composition on both dolls shows strong preservation. Twin sets with matching original outfits in this condition regularly command \$175–\$265 on the current market, with pristine examples reaching higher at specialty doll auctions.

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