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There were five novels and a short story collection: The last two books are less well known than the original four, perhaps because they appeared after the successful television series began. Four of the books were illustrated by Margaret Gordon. The appearance of the Wombles in the books followed the design of the Ivor Wood TV puppets, with the exception of original editions of *The Wombles* and first printings of *The Wandering Wombles* which preceded the TV series and depicted the Wombles as teddy bear-like creatures. There is a reference in the first book to dark brown being the colour of their fur with the exception of the oldest Wombles whose fur turns white but this was changed to silvery grey, save for the neck, which is black. Some of the toys and book illustrations do not show the black fur on the neck. There is an audiobook of *The Wombles*, narrated by Bernard Cribbins. Beresford also wrote a collection of short stories entitled *The Invisible Womble and Other Stories*, in which the original Wimbledon Common setting was restored. Although based on episodes from the TV series, these stories occasionally refer to events in the novels. Narration and all Womble voices for this series and the two half-hour specials were provided by Bernard Cribbins. Batt filed for bankruptcy in September and resigned as director of Dramatico Productions. Merchandise[edit] Stop motion animation is an expensive means of making a program, due to the amount of time required. Spin off merchandising was considered a welcome bonus to the success of the series. Rising labour and production costs have led to a situation where merchandising is now a required and expected consideration in creating a new program. After the success of the Wombles, whose merchandising was conducted in a haphazard way, and, more significantly, the overwhelming success of merchandising for the Star Wars franchise, whose merchandise had a preconceived marketing plan, merchandising became the prime driver of and precursor to new productions. Whereas, prior to Star Wars, the story had come first and its popularity led to the commissioning of a TV series, the situation had now reversed itself and the design of the toy came first, with production and story subjugated to being a vehicle to drive the sales of merchandise. Lack of regulation in the USA with regard to advertising to children led to a glut of programming and accompanying ads whose sole purpose was to drive the sales of merchandise related to the program. Demand for Wombles merchandise in the UK was a side effect of the popularity of the TV program and books but there were restrictions on toy advertising in the UK that kept TV merchandising in check. Stuffed toys, along with stationery, stickers, small figurines, bath soap, night lights, lamp shades, chocolate bars, gelatin pudding kits, posters, games, shirts, badges buttons, cloth patches, and other items. The revival of the series in the late s brought with it another wave of merchandise which included lunch boxes, umbrellas, flannels face cloths, hot water bottle covers, slippers, a Steiff doll, and a set of postage stamps for Alderney, a Channel Island that served as the name for one of the Wombles and the home of Beresford until her death. A soundtrack album was released in The series also ran on TV Ontario UHF Channel 19 in the mids in the gaps between programs due to the non-commercial policy of the station. After the relocation of the club to Milton Keynes, the licence to use the character was not renewed beyond June Beresford also gave permission for a team of Wombles to run the London Marathon. Please help improve this article by adding citations to reliable sources. Unsourced material may be challenged and removed. July Learn how and when to remove this template message L-R Great Uncle Bulgaria, Bungo and Stepney plus unknown in picture on wall, in one of the rooms in the burrow. He occasionally frightens the younger Wombles with his stern manner and particularly his habit of glaring at them through two pairs of spectacles but is actually very kind. He is over years old by the final book. He has a gruff and surly manner but like Bulgaria with whom he has been friends for many years he has a very kindly heart. Though slothful by nature, Orinoco is capable of some surprising acts of moral and physical courage. He is an extremely keen golf player, and plays on the London Scottish Golf Club course situated on the common, where human visitors have occasionally noted his talent for the sport. He is the largest and strongest of the Wimbledon Wombles. Wellington is scientifically inclined, but very insecure

and absent-minded. She affects a French accent, though she is actually no more French than any other Wimbledon Womble and simply likes to think of herself as French. A very strict but fair Womble, she has the ability to make even Great Uncle Bulgaria feel silly. She appeared in the early books, but did not make it into the first TV series. Her character was revived in the second TV series, when many viewers wrongly assumed she was a new character. She is a pretty and precocious young Womble with a slight disregard for the rules. He was introduced in the second book *The Wandering Wombles* as an incredibly fierce Highland Womble clan chief. He appeared in the TV series when he visited the Wimbledon burrow. Shansi " named after the Shanxi in China , she came to the Wimbledon burrow on an exchange from China, and is often paired with Alderney, as Bungo was with Orinoco. She is a shy and quiet womble who is much happier with Miss Adelaide in the Womblegarten than anywhere else, and has a decided talent for art. Some other characters were detailed in the books but never appeared in the television series. He says that he always meant to return to Wimbledon, but ended up settling into his life in America more than he had imagined, later becoming the patriarch of the tribe of American Wombles in Yellowstone Park. He is roughly the same age as Tobermory, and introduced the Wimbledon Wombles to American novelties such as a deep freeze. Cousin Botany " named unlike every other known womble after the scientific study of plants. He is furious with them for destroying his plants until an alternative is offered, and he spent the rest of the books tending to his water-plants in new specialised tanks in the back of the burrow. He is the leader of the Black Forest Wombles, and is arguably the most famous Womble in the world, though he likes to keep himself and his Womble clan to themselves. His Wombles are noted to be some of the most skilled with their rubbish, as he has more beautiful furniture in his burrow than almost any other and his cook, Frau Heidelberg, is said to rival even Madame Cholet. Nessie is part of a declining sub-species of aquatic Wombles, a larger breed with webbed paws who prioritise the cleaning of their body of water. In the Womble world, Water-Wombles, specifically Nessie, are the basis for the legend of the Loch Ness Monster , and due to Wombles being a self-contained species, Nessie dislikes the attention surrounding the legend and wishes she were as unknown as the "Land Wombles". Nessie also has two young Water-Womble charges named Ross and Cromarty. All of them are under the protection of the MacWomble, and Nessie refers to him as her "best friend". He later takes over the burrow in Hyde Park. Named after the city of Omsk in Russia. Ms Atlanta " the cook of the American burrow, named after the city of Atlanta , Georgia. She holds great respect for Madame Cholet. He and his wombles inspired the legends of the Yeti in the mountains of Tibet. Dalai Gartok is also one of the oldest known Wombles, and has honed his Womble senses to the extent that he has considerable telepathic ability. She is very fierce and irritable, though Tomsk manages to stand up to her. Cairns and Perth " named after the respective cities in Australia. Inhabitants of the Australian Burrow. Named after the easternmost town in Western Australia. Honourable Cousin Tokyo " the quiet and dignified leader of the Japanese Wombles, named after the capital of Japan. Named after the city of Hirado, Nagasaki. Quetta " a womble whom Yellowstone met while travelling the world, who comes from a burrow on the Khyber Pass. Named after the capital of Balochistan in Pakistan. Chieftain Fashven " the oldest of the Womble clan leaders in Scotland, and the last to be able to speak Womble Gaelic. Named after the capital of the Jiangsu in China. Tante Lille " the leader of "Les Wombleaux of Boulogne". Named after the northern French town of Lille. Cousin Van Amsterdam " the leader of a group of Dutch Wombles. Named after the capital of the Netherlands. Onkel Bonn " the leader of a group of German Wombles. Named after a city in Northern Germany. Uncle Dunedin " the leader of the New Zealand Wombles. Named after the principal city of the Otago region in New Zealand. In the first book, Bungo is the youngest and least experienced of the team, and the story is mostly viewed through his eyes. Alderney and Miss Adelaide appeared in the earlier books but were not included in the original s TV series.

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He does not make an appearance until the fifth book (The Wombles to the Rescue), and at first was a quiet and surly Womble who has been living alone in the Wimbledon burrow before the Wombles' return to it.