

dainty1. ['deɪnti] *n* **обыкн. pl**

лакомство, деликатес

the children were munching their dainties - дети хрустели сладостями

2. ['deɪnti] *a*

1. 1) изящный, грациозный

dainty flower - нежный цветок

dainty hand - изящная /тонкая/ рука

dainty fingers - точёные пальцы

2) изысканный; сделанный со вкусом; утончённый, элегантный

dainty thing - изысканная вещица

dainty frock - элегантное платье

2. вкусный, лакомый; нежный

dainty bits - лакомые кусочки

dainty dishes - изысканные блюда

3. разборчивый, привередливый (в чём-л.)

dainty appetite - разборчивость в еде

◇ to have a dainty tooth, to be born with a dainty tooth - быть разборчивым в еде

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dainty [dainty dainties daintier daintiest] *BrE* ['deɪnti] ^m *NAmE* ['deɪnti] ^m**adjective** (dain·tier, dain·ti·est)

1. (of people and things) small and delicate in a way that people find attractive

Syn: ↑delicate

• dainty feet

• a dainty porcelain cup

2. (of movements) careful, often in a way that suggests good manners

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• She took a dainty little bite of the apple.

Derived Words ↑daintily ▪ ↑daintinessWord Origin:Middle English (as noun): from Old French **daintie**, **deintie** 'choice morsel, pleasure', from Latin **dignitas** 'worthiness or beauty', from **dignus** 'worthy'.Example Bank:

• dainty little feet

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I. **dain·ty**¹ /'deɪnti/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m **adjective** (comparative **daintier**, superlative **daintiest**)

1. small, pretty, and delicate:

" a dainty gold chain

" a child with dainty features

2. moving or done in a careful way, using small movements:

" a dainty walk

—**daintily** *adverb*—**daintiness** *noun* [uncountable]II. **dainty**² *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m **noun** (plural **dainties**) [countable] *old-fashioned*

[Date: 1200-1300; Language: Old French; Origin: deintié, from Latin dignitas 'worth,' ⇨ ↑dignity]

something small that is good to eat, especially something sweet such as a cake

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