

MOORCROFT TIME FOR CHRISTMAS

This year, Christmas has burst upon the world with rather more spontaneity and happiness than in previous years. Perhaps that is because it offers one brief, but glorious, moment to forget the world and all its problems, and prepare for the year to come.

For some, the year 2009 has been a good year. Following the incredible success of her *House of Flowers* plaque and *Town of Flowers* prestige vase, top of the Moorcroft list comes designer, Kerry Goodwin. Both pieces proved to be hugely popular all over the world, with an almost instant sell-out of the *House of Flowers* plaque at the height of the recession at the beginning of the year. Sadly, the time has now come to bring down the curtain on that success. To do so, Kerry has designed *Town of Flowers at Christmas* (height 9"/23cm) with three different, snow-covered images, the first with a Christmas Tree, the second showing the familiar gate with a holly wreath and the third featuring a string of Christmas lights. The vase has been designed to be a joyful close on a remarkable year for Kerry at Moorcroft.



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It is easy to underestimate the prolific outpouring of Rachel Bishop's design work. Some do. Last year, she produced Christmas Hellebore, trumped this year with her Christmas Pansy (height 5"/13cm) in a rich purple and blue colour-way with the flowers themselves lightly dusted in snow.



Both *Town of Flowers at Christmas* and *Christmas Pansy* will carry the designer's signature and come as numbered editions. Available from retailers worldwide, *Town of Flowers at Christmas* is priced at **£460** and *Christmas Pansy* at **£295**. Although each piece is scheduled to close on the 31st December 2009, a full order book makes it necessary for Moorcroft to reserve the right to close one or both of the editions earlier, should that prove to be necessary.

