

## ***The Compulsive Spike Milligan***

### **A085.01 First edition, 2004**

**Author:** Spike Milligan

editor: Norma Farnes

**Publication Details:** Fourth Estate; London (4 Oct 2004) (Amazon UK)

**Format:** Hardcover with dust jacket

**Illustrations:** Spike Milligan

**Cover Design:** Spike Milligan and Julian Humphries

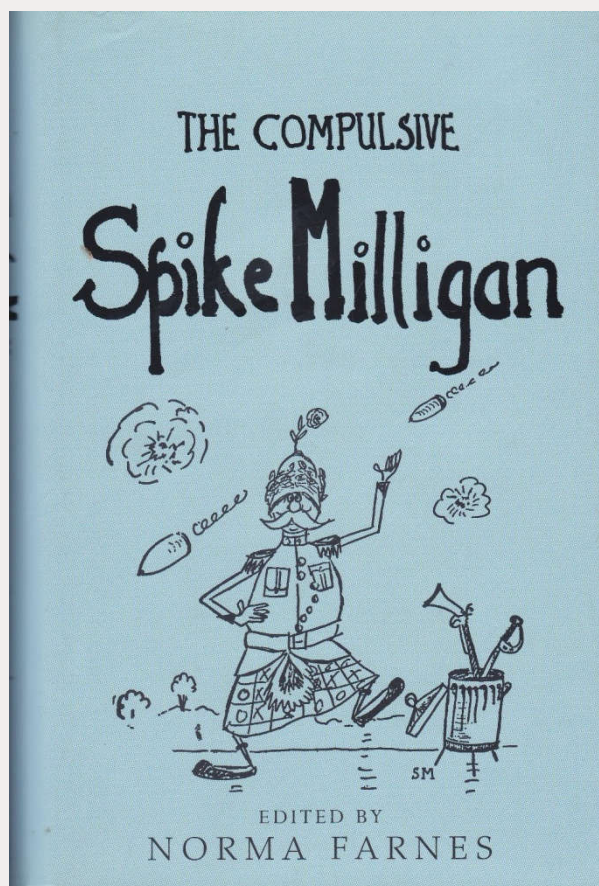
**Identifier:** ISBN-10: 0007193335 ISBN-13: 978-0007193332 BNB: GBA456032

**Physical Description:** 448 pages 24 x 16 x 3.7 cm 709 gm.

**Publication price:** £18.99

The services of Alexander Games were dispensed with and Spike's agent/manager Norma Farnes has taken on his role. Norma has set about to make a selection that includes, she claims, some of Spike's favourites and no Goon Show Scripts. It probably is a more personal selection made by someone who was much closer to Spike and his work than possibly anyone else.

Norma muses in her foreword that she thought he had only written two books, *Silly Verse for Kids* and *Puckoon*, when she came to work with him. In fact he had already published five and possibly had two or three more being worked on. She only chooses from these two books in the extracts of his early work.



### **A085.02 Ted Smart edition, 2004**

**Publication Details:** Fourth Estate for The Book People (Ted Smart) (1 Oct. 2004) (Amazon UK)

**Format:** Hardcover

**Illustrations:** Spike Milligan

**Cover Design:** Spike Milligan and Julian Humphries

**Identifier:** ISBN-10: 0007717024 ISBN-13: 978-0007717026

**Physical Description:** 9.2 x 6 x 1.8 inches 1.8 pounds

This book looks identical to the Fourth Estate first edition except that it has the Ted Smart logo on the spine.

This book is also often listed with the publisher given as Harper Collins Promotion, 2004.

**Publication price:** £18.99

**A085.03 Paperback edition, 2004**

**Publication Details:** Fourth Estate (1 Oct 2004) (Amazon UK)

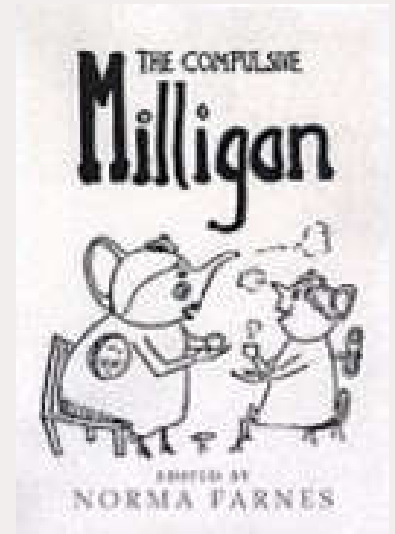
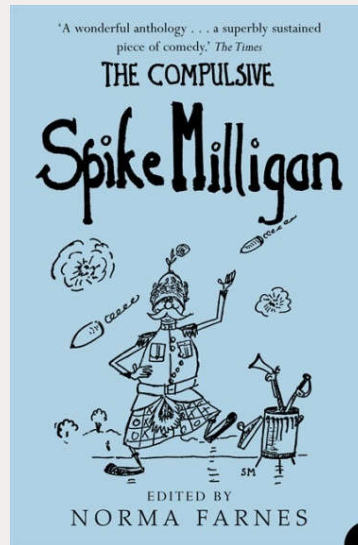
**Format:** Trade Paperback

**Illustrations:** Spike Milligan

**Cover Design:** Spike Milligan and Julian Humphries

**Identifier:** ISBN-10: 0007195435 ISBN-13: 978-0007195435

**Physical Description:** 448 pages 231 x 152 x 36 mm



**A085.04 Paperback edition, 2005**

**Publication Details:** Harper Perennial (3 May, 2005)

**Format:** Mass market paperback

**Illustrations:** Spike Milligan

**Cover Design:** Spike Milligan and Julian Humphries

**Identifier:** ISBN-10: 0007195427 ISBN-13: 978-0007195428

**BNB:** GBA506376

**Physical Description:** 444 p, 198 x 129 x 22 mm, 310 g.

**Publication price:** £8.99

The teapot cover was used by booksellers quite often although I have not tracked down which edition of the book it actually comes from.

Harper Perennial is an imprint of Fourth Estate. Fourth Estate seems to favour publishing two paperback editions of its Spike Milligan books. For this title there was a trade paperback in 2004 and a mass market paperback in 2005.

The reissue edition of 2010 the company returns to the Fourth Estate imprint.

**A085.05 Harper Perennial; (Reissue) edition, 2010**

**Publication Details:** Fourth Estate; (Reissue) edition (26 Feb 2010)

**Format:** Mass market paperback

**Illustrations:** Spike Milligan

**Cover Design:** Spike Milligan and Julian Humphries

**Identifier:** ISBN-10: 0007195427 ISBN-13: 978-0007195428

**Physical Description:** 448 pages 194 x 128 x 32 mm

**A085.06 eBook edition 2010**

**Publication Details:** 17 June 2010

**Format:** Electronic book text

**Illustrations:** Spike Milligan

**Cover Design:** Spike Milligan and Julian Humphries

**Identifier:** ISBN-13: 978-0007391509