

# The Cornish

## 'Piskey'



The Cornish Piskey was a figment of the imagination of the superstitious Cornish people in centuries past.

Believing in the "spriggans" (little people) who could play tricks, cast spells, steal babies, etc., the Cornish folk would respect their presence and be careful not to do anything to annoy or disturb them.

The piskey was a mischievous little creature, always laughing at someone or something, and ready to play tricks on folk who walked home across a misty moor or along a lonely cliff path.

Piskies are considered to be a lucky charm, if you respect them they will bring you good luck.

The Cornish piskey, in the traditional pose of facing to the right, squatting with arms folded around the knees, turning the face with a wide grin, can be made as a charm on a necklace or bracelet, key ring etc.

Remember the name - you'll be hearing a lot more of the little fellow.