



Notes:

These Specialized pages include spots for all major varieties. They also include spots for most plate flaws, overprint flaws, etc.

Vorläufer and mitläufer (forerunners) are not included. I anticipate providing a separate file for those in the future.

All watermarks are as viewed from the rear of the stamp. Unless otherwise noted, all plate flaw positions are for partial issues, meaning the plate flaws appear at the position noted on some, but not all, printed sheets.

On pages with stamp photos included, there may be some stamp photos missing due to my inability to find suitable images of those stamps.

At the end of each set is a blank page for each page style used in the set. **If you would like additional pages that include custom boxes, text, etc., in a style that exactly matches the existing pages, or if you would like further customizations (odd-size stamp, additional boxes, etc.) to the existing pages, please send me a note through the “Contact Admin” form that’s in the footer of every page on my website.**

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Cheers,

PostmasterGS



German New Guinea Deutsch-Neuguinea

In the 1850s, German traders first established a foothold on the northern and eastern coasts of New Guinea, as well as on the surrounding smaller islands.

In May 1885, the German government entered into an agreement with the Neu Guinea Compagnie (New Guinea Company), under the terms of which the Company was authorized to acquire further lands as it saw fit. In return, the Company was to expand German influence within the area, and to build and maintain the local governmental institutions.



Flag of the German Foreign Office

On 1 April 1899, the German government formally took control of the area formerly administered by the Neu Guinea Compagnie, as it had become cost prohibitive for the privately funded Company to develop and maintain the colony. An Imperial Governor was appointed to govern the colony, and in a reorganization of the German colonies in the South and Central Pacific, administration of the German colonies in the Carolines (1899), Marianas (1899), and Marshalls (1906) was eventually transferred to the Imperial Governor of German New Guinea.

German New Guinea was quickly conquered by Australian forces at the outbreak of WWI, and as with all of Germany's colonial possessions at the time, it was not returned to German control following the war. Instead, it became a League of Nations Protectorate under Australian control.



German New Guinea
Deutsch-Neuguinea



Neu Guinea Compagnie Card

15 February 1888

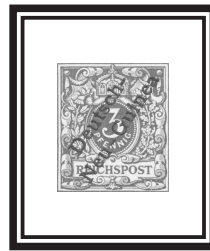
On 15 February 1888, the Neu Guinea Compagnie introduced this 2 Mark packet card for use in Deutsch-Neuguinea. The packet card fell out of use with the introduction of German forerunners as the primary form of postage in 1889.

German New Guinea Deutsch-Neuguinea

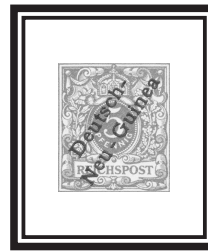


Bern “Deutsch-Neu-Guinea” Overprint Issues

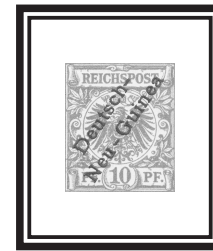
February 1897



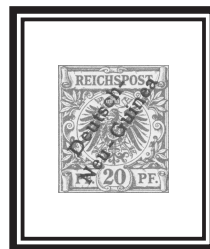
Medium Brown
3 Pfennig



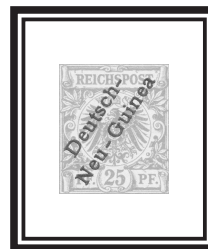
(Bright) Opal Green
5 Pfennig



Bright Lilac Red
10 Pfennig



Violet Ultramarine
20 Pfennig



Yellowish Orange
25 Pfennig



Bright Reddish Brown
50 Pfennig

In February 1897, the Reichsdruckerei printed 800 copies of the “Deutsch-Neu-Guinea” overprints for the Universal Postal Union in Bern, Switzerland. The issues feature a heavier overprint than the normal issues, and the 3 Pfennig value is in a different color – medium brown.



Printing presses at the Reichsdruckerei

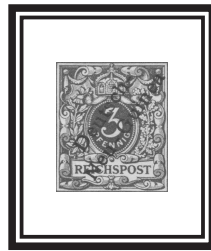
German New Guinea Deutsch-Neuguinea



“Deutsch-Neu-Guinea” Overprint Issues

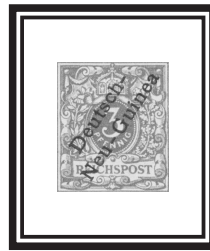
September 1897 – 1899

1899



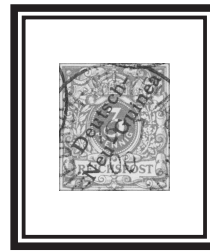
Dark Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig
(UV) Brownish Black

July 1898

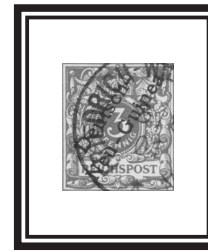


Light Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig

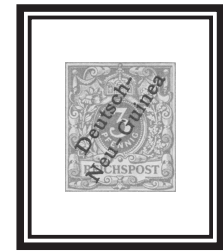
1899



Bright Brown Ochre
3 Pfennig



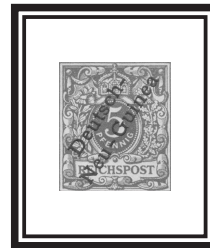
Bright Orange Brown
3 Pfennig



Light Ochre
3 Pfennig

**Deutsch-
Neu-Guinea**

September 1897



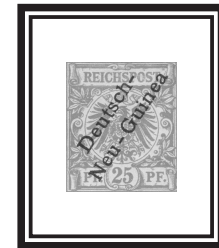
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5 Pfennig

September 1897



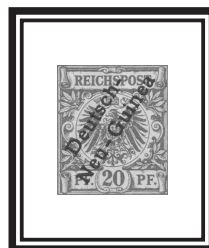
Bright Lilac Red
10 Pfennig
(UV) Red

1899



Lilac Red
10 Pfennig
(UV) Light Vermilion

September 1897



Violet Ultramarine
20 Pfennig

1899



Yellowish Orange
25 Pfennig



Dark Orange
25 Pfennig

September 1897



Bright Reddish Brown
50 Pfennig

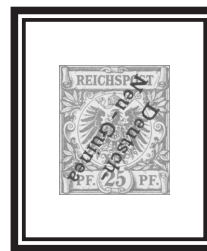
German New Guinea Deutsch-Neuguinea



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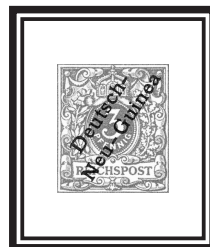
Overprint Variety & Plate Flaws

Inverted Overprint
1899



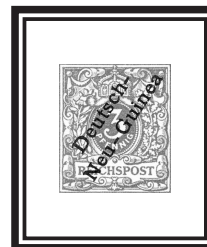
Dark Orange
25 Pfennig

1899



Dark Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig
(UV) Brownish Black

July 1898



Light Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig

Break in scroll (right)

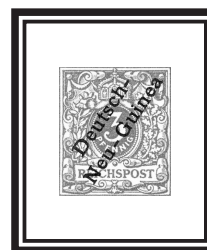


Posn. 33, 38, 83, 88

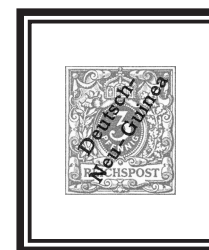
1899



Bright Brown Ochre
3 Pfennig



Bright Orange Brown
3 Pfennig



Light Ochre
3 Pfennig

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Plate Flaws

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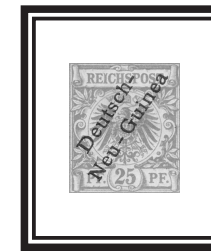


Yellowish Orange
25 Pfennig

Broken “I” (right)



Posn. 22, 27, 72, 77



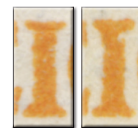
Dark Orange
25 Pfennig

1899

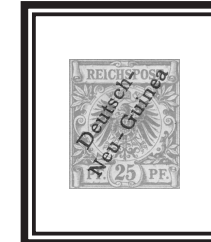


Yellowish Orange
25 Pfennig

Broken “I” (right)

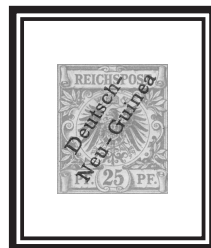


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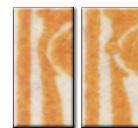
Dark Orange
25 Pfennig

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Yellowish Orange
25 Pfennig

Dot beside lower
left scroll (right)



Posn. Unk.



Dark Orange
25 Pfennig

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Overprint Flaws

1899



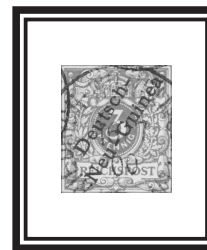
Dark Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig
(UV) Brownish Black

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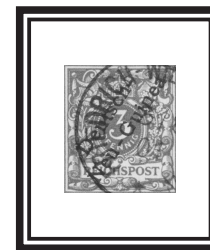


Light Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig

1899



Bright Brown Ochre
3 Pfennig

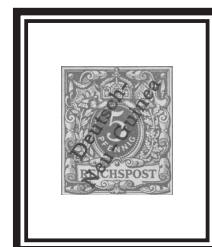


Bright Orange Brown
3 Pfennig



Light Ochre
3 Pfennig

September 1897



(Bright) Opal Green
5 Pfennig

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Bright Lilac Red
10 Pfennig
(UV) Red

1899



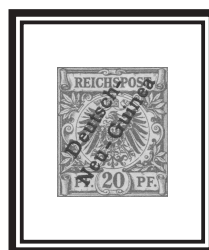
Lilac Red
10 Pfennig
(UV) Light Vermilion

Short foot on “t” (right)



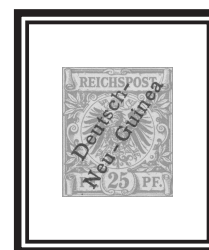
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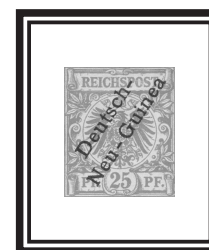


Violet Ultramarine
20 Pfennig

1899



Yellowish Orange
25 Pfennig



Dark Orange
25 Pfennig

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Bright Reddish Brown
50 Pfennig

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Dark Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig
(UV) Brownish Black

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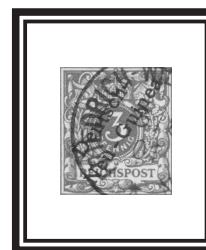


Light Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig

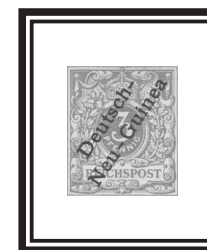
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Bright Brown Ochre
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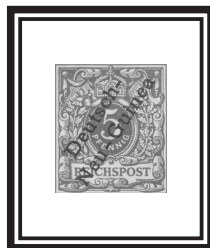


Bright Orange Brown
3 Pfennig



Light Ochre
3 Pfennig

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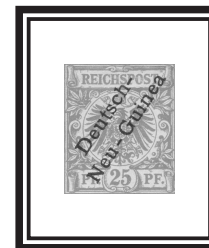
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5 Pfennig

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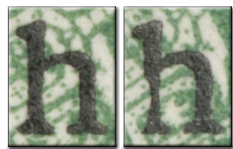
Bright Lilac Red
10 Pfennig
(UV) Red

1899



Lilac Red
10 Pfennig
(UV) Light Vermilion

Damaged left leg on “h” (right)



Posn. 58

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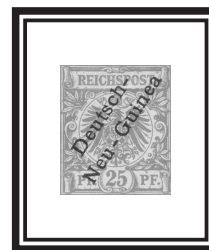


Violet Ultramarine
20 Pfennig

1899



Yellowish Orange
25 Pfennig



Dark Orange
25 Pfennig

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Bright Reddish Brown
50 Pfennig

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Dark Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig
(UV) Brownish Black

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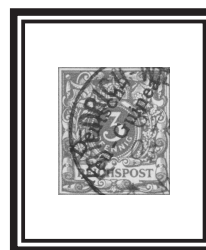


Light Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig

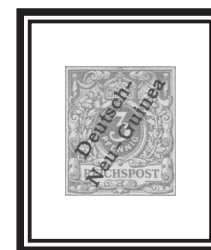
1899



Bright Brown Ochre
3 Pfennig

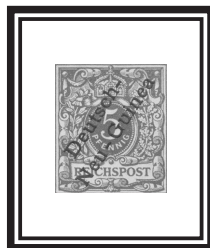


Bright Orange Brown
3 Pfennig



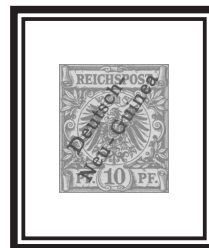
Light Ochre
3 Pfennig

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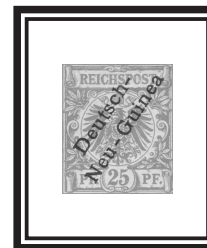
(Bright) Opal Green
5 Pfennig

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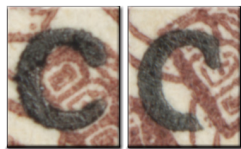
Bright Lilac Red
10 Pfennig
(UV) Red

1899



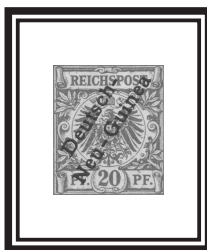
Lilac Red
10 Pfennig
(UV) Light Vermilion

Short bottom on “c” (right)



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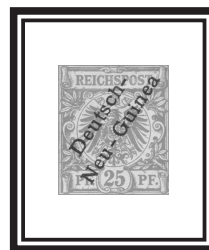


Violet Ultramarine
20 Pfennig

1899



Yellowish Orange
25 Pfennig



Dark Orange
25 Pfennig

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Bright Reddish Brown
50 Pfennig

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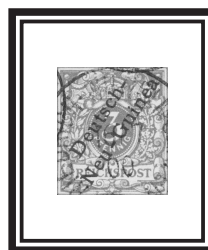
Dark Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig
(UV) Brownish Black

July 1898

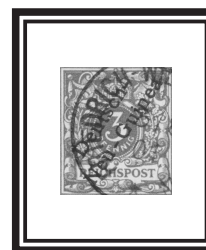


Light Ochre Brown
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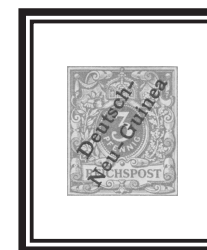
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Bright Brown Ochre
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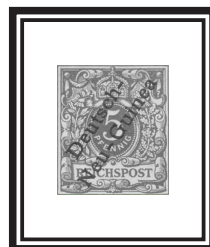


Bright Orange Brown
3 Pfennig



Light Ochre
3 Pfennig

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(Bright) Opal Green
5 Pfennig

September 1897



Bright Lilac Red
10 Pfennig
(UV) Red

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Lilac Red
10 Pfennig
(UV) Light Vermilion

Open “e” in “Guinea” (right)



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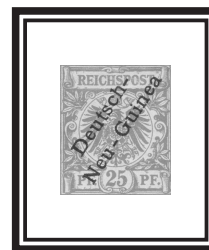


Violet Ultramarine
20 Pfennig

1899



Yellowish Orange
25 Pfennig



Dark Orange
25 Pfennig

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Bright Reddish Brown
50 Pfennig

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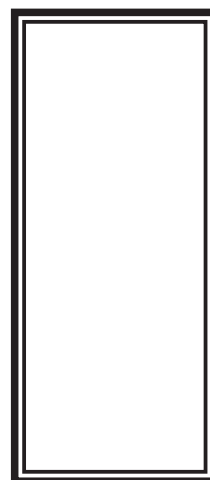
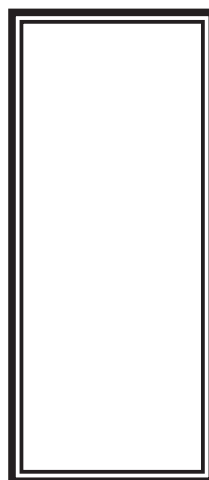
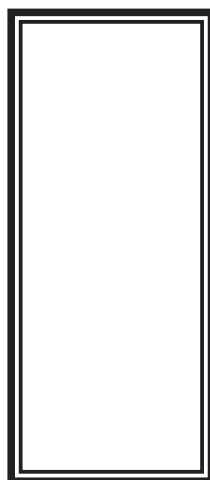
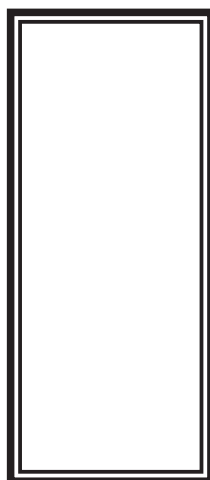
Gutter Pairs

September 1897 – 1899

1899

July 1898

1899



Dark Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig
(UV) Brownish Black

Light Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig

Bright Brown Ochre
3 Pfennig

Light Ochre
3 Pfennig

Light Ochre
3 Pfennig

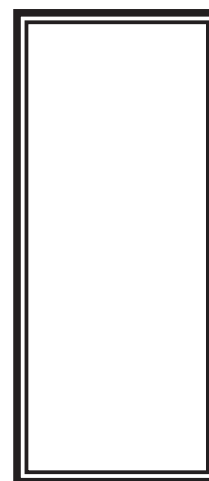
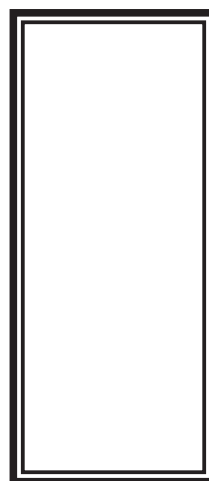
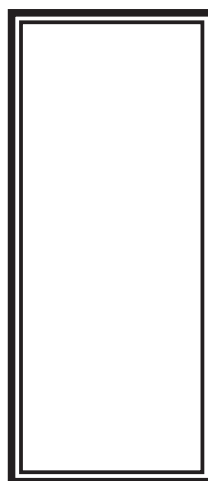
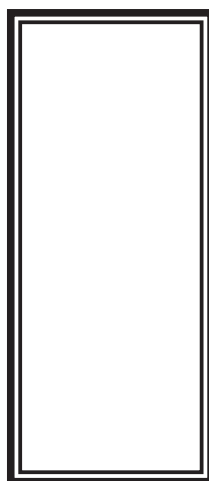
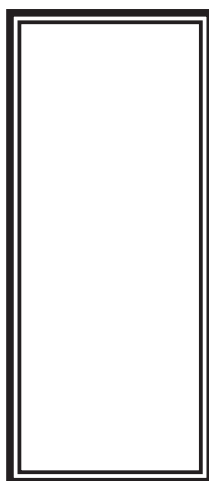
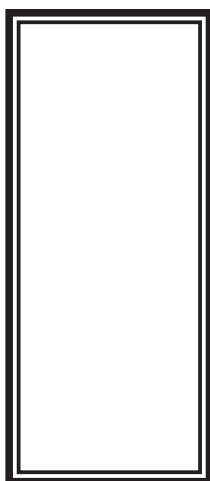
September 1897

1899

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Bright Lilac Red
10 Pfennig
(UV) Red

Lilac Red
10 Pfennig
(UV) Light Vermillion

Violet Ultramarine
20 Pfennig

Yellowish Orange
25 Pfennig

Dark Orange
25 Pfennig

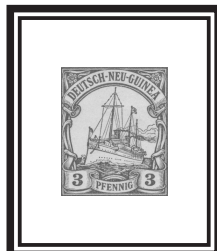
Bright Reddish Brown
50 Pfennig

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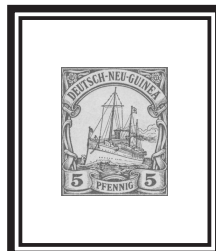


Yacht Issues

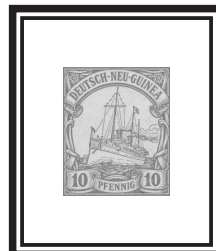
December 1900 —



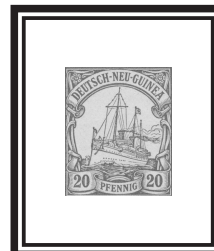
Dark Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig



(Dark) Green
5 Pfennig



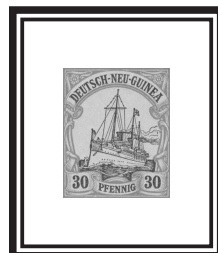
Dark Carmine Red
10 Pfennig



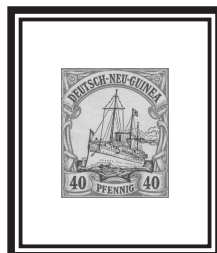
Violet Ultramarine
20 Pfennig



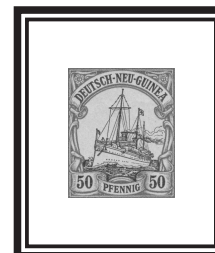
Reddish Orange / Yellow
Black on Light Yellow
25 Pfennig



Reddish Orange / Red Black
on Dull Yellowish Orange
30 Pfennig



Dark Reddish Carmine /
Black
40 Pfennig

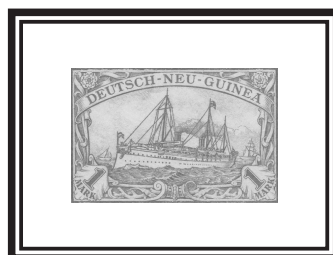


Dark Brownish Lilac / Red
Black on Dull Brown Orange
50 Pfennig

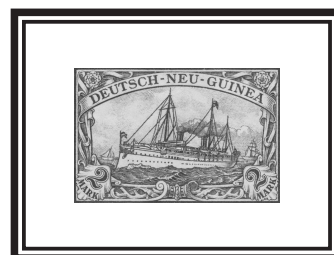


Dark Reddish Carmine / Red
Black on Dull Carmine
80 Pfennig

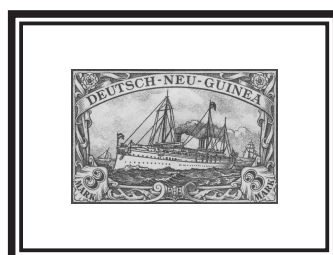
March 1901 —



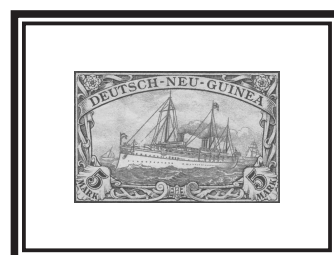
(Dark) Red
1 Mark



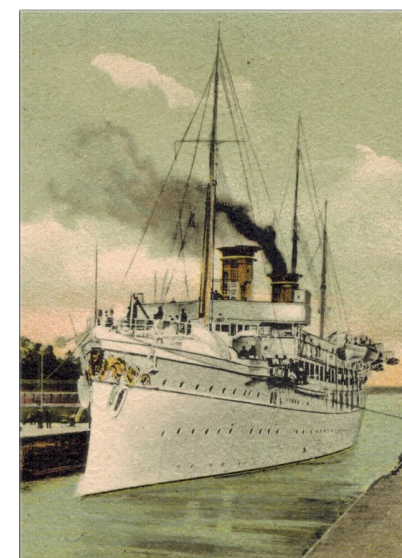
Blackish Blue
2 Mark



Violet Black
3 Mark



Green Black / Dark Carmine
5 Mark



Kaiser Wilhelm II's yacht,
SMY Hohenzollern II

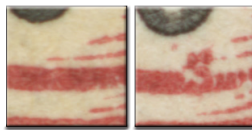
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Yacht Issues

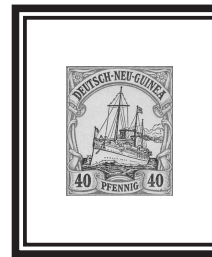
Plate Flaw

Spot below "O" in
right value (right)

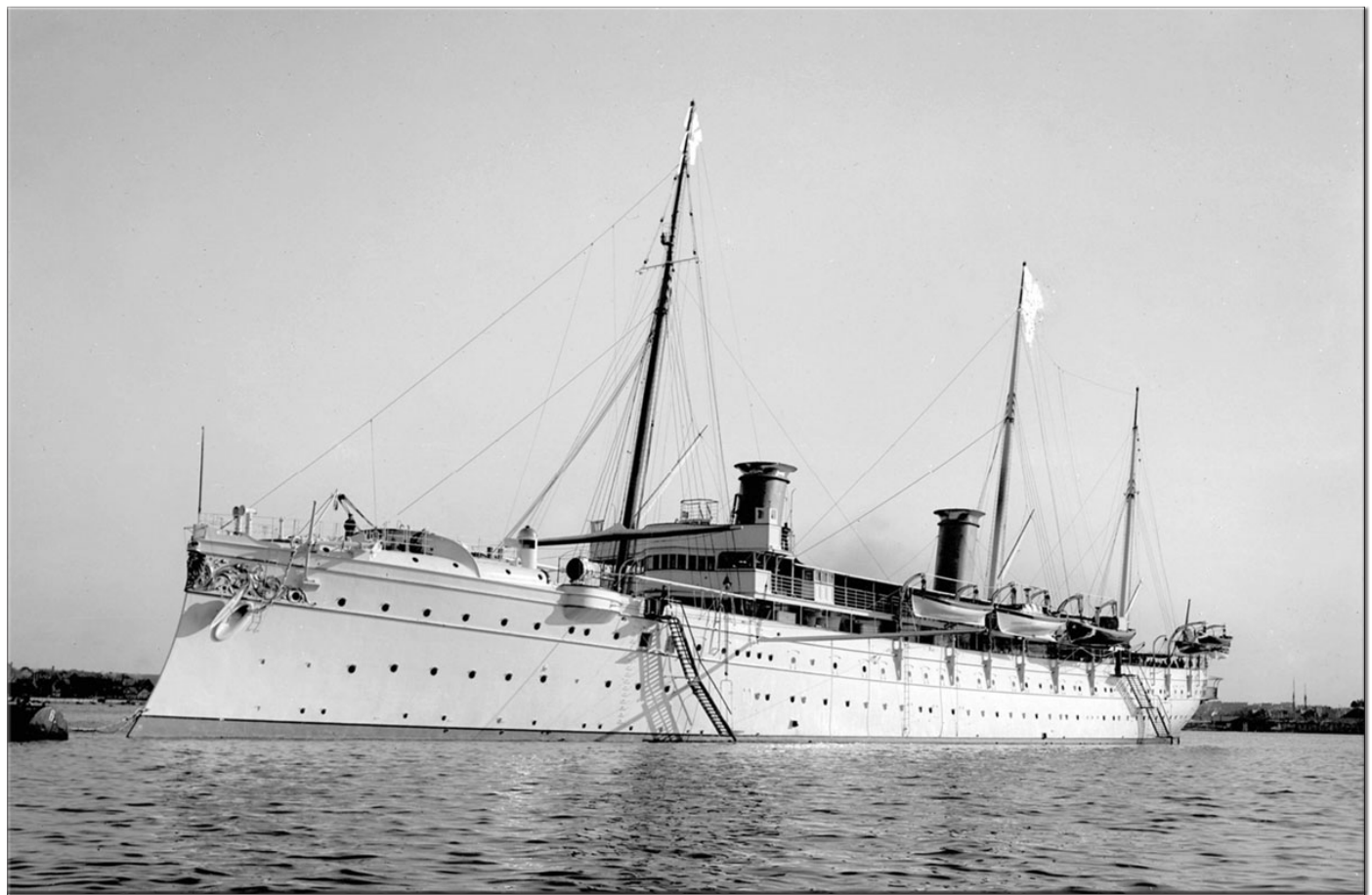


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December 1900



Dark Reddish Carmine / Black
40 Pfennig



Kaiser Wilhelm II's yacht, *SMY Hohenzollern II*

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Yacht Issue Specimens

c. 1901



Dark Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig



(Dark) Green
5 Pfennig



Dark Carmine Red
10 Pfennig



Violet Ultramarine
20 Pfennig



Reddish Orange / Yellow
Black on Light Yellow
25 Pfennig



Reddish Orange / Red Black
on Dull Yellowish Orange
30 Pfennig



Dark Reddish Carmine /
Black
40 Pfennig



Dark Brownish Lilac / Red
Black on Dull Brown Orange
50 Pfennig



Dark Reddish Carmine / Red
Black on Dull Carmine
80 Pfennig



(Dark) Red
1 Mark



Blackish Blue
2 Mark



Violet Black
3 Mark



Green Black / Dark Carmine
5 Mark



Kaiser Wilhelm II's yacht,
SMY Hohenzollern II

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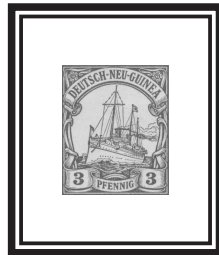


Yacht Issue Watermarked Proofs

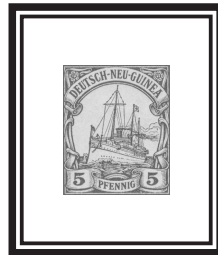
c. 1905



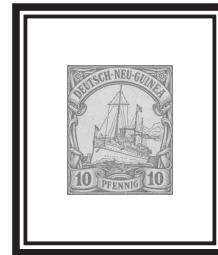
Watermark



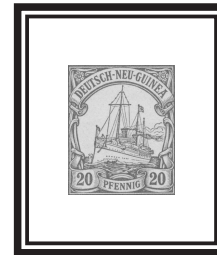
Dark Ochre Brown
3 Pfennig



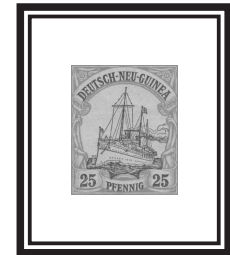
(Dark) Green
5 Pfennig



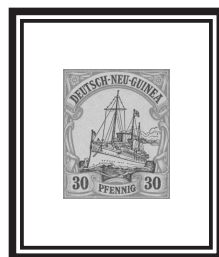
Dark Carmine Red
10 Pfennig



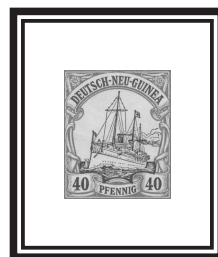
Violet Ultramarine
20 Pfennig



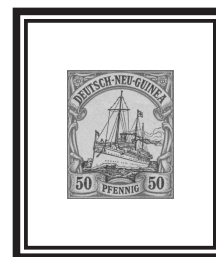
Reddish Orange / Yellow
Black on Light Yellow
25 Pfennig



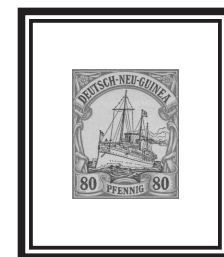
Reddish Orange / Red Black
on Dull Yellowish Orange
30 Pfennig



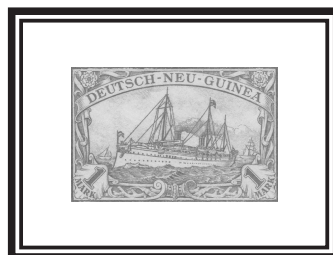
Dark Reddish Carmine /
Black
40 Pfennig



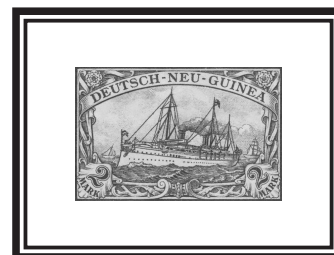
Dark Brownish Lilac / Red
Black on Dull Brown Orange
50 Pfennig



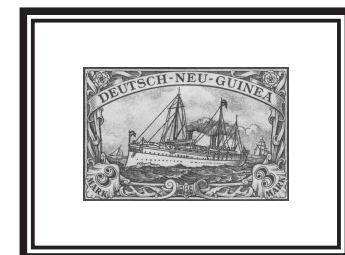
Dark Reddish Carmine / Red
Black on Dull Carmine
80 Pfennig



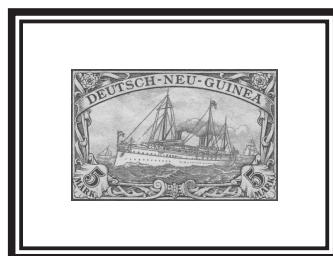
(Dark) Red
1 Mark



Blackish Blue
2 Mark



Violet Black
3 Mark



Green Black / Dark Carmine
5 Mark

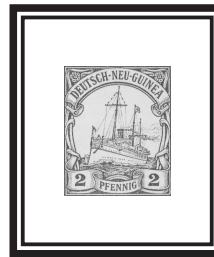
The watermarked proofs vary slightly from the subsequent 1914/1918 Yacht Issues on the same paper. All differ slightly in color. The 3 Pfennig proof has normal gum as opposed to the later glossy gum. The 5 Pfennig, 10 Pfennig, and 5 Mark proofs feature the three-word "DEUTSCH-NEU-GUINEA", as opposed to the later two-word "DEUTSCH-NEUGUINEA".

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Yacht Issue 2 Pfennig Proof

c. 1899 – 1900



(Dark) Gray Blue
2 Pfennig

Following the Reichspost's selection of the design for the Yacht Issues, several blocks of 16 were printed as proofs. The proofs are in a face value and color that were not used on the final, released issues.

The blocks of 16 contain 4 stamps each from Deutsch-Südwestafrika, Samoa, Kamerun, and Karolinen, arranged as follows:

DSWA	DSWA	Samoa	Samoa
DSWA	DSWA	Samoa	Samoa
Karolinen	Karolinen	Kamerun	Kamerun
Karolinen	Karolinen	Kamerun	Kamerun



Proofs of the same design were also printed for Deutsch-Neuguinea, though the details of the printing are unknown.

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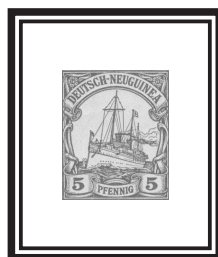
Yacht Issues



Watermark

Peace Printings

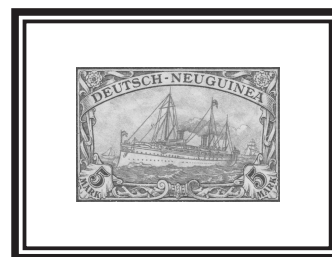
1914



(Dark) Green
5 Pfennig



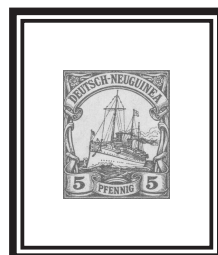
Red Carmine
10 Pfennig



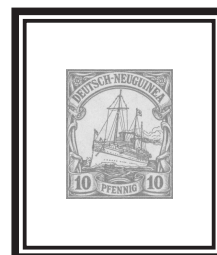
Green Black / Dark Carmine
5 Mark
26:17 Perforation
Center Type I

War Printings

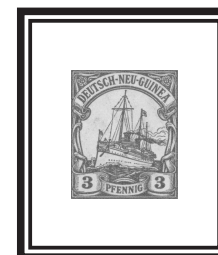
1918



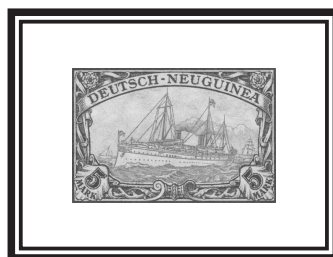
(Dark) Green
5 Pfennig



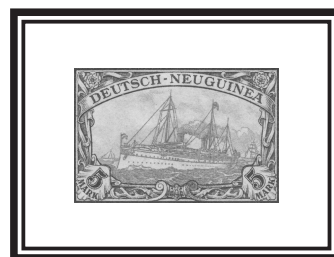
Red Carmine
10 Pfennig



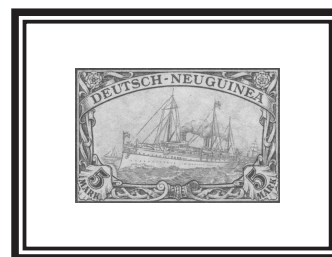
Dark Orange Brown
3 Pfennig
"DEUTSCH-NEU-GUINEA"



Green Black / Red Carmine
5 Mark
26:17 Perforation
Center Type II



Green Black / Red Carmine
5 Mark
25:17 Perforation
Center Type II



Green Black / Red Carmine
5 Mark
25:17 Perforation
Center Type III

The War Printings of these issues are of lower print quality, typically with blurred printing, drab colors, rough paper, unclear watermark, and glossier gum than the earlier Peace Printings.

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Yacht Issues

Plate Flaw



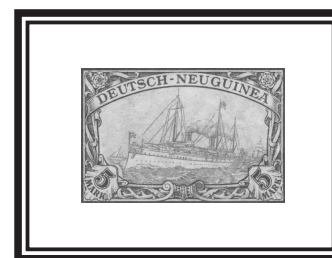
Watermark

1918

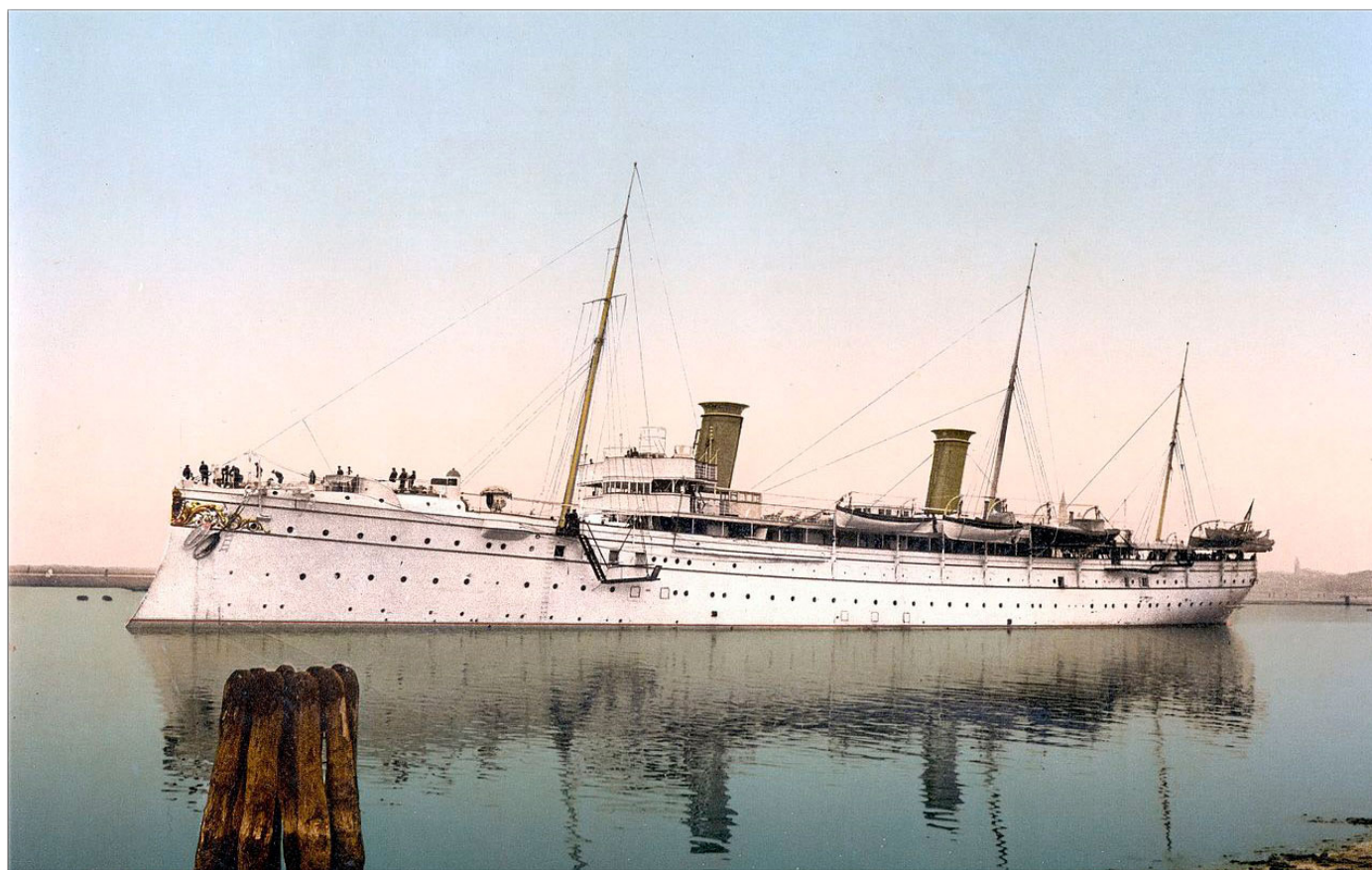
Retouching in clouds (right)



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Green Black / Red Carmine
25:17 Perforation
Center Type III
5 Mark



Kaiser Wilhelm II's yacht, *SMY Hohenzollern II*

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Yacht Issues

Order Numbers / Hausauftragsnummern (HAN)



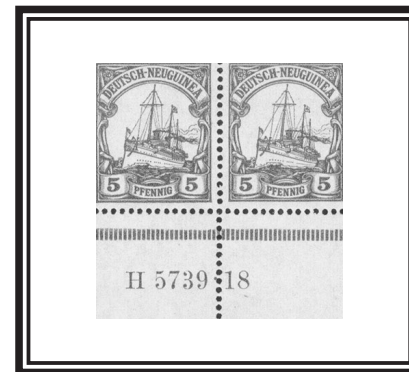
Watermark

Peace Printing
1914



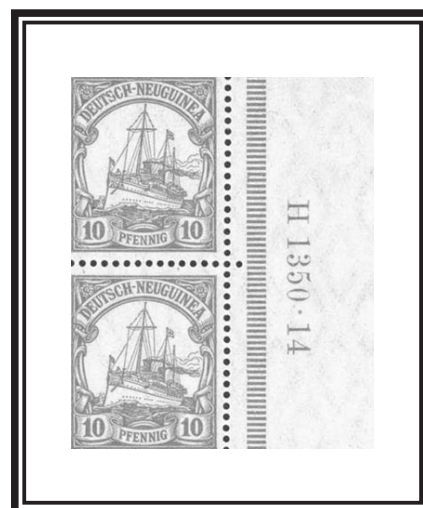
(Dark) Green
5 Pfennig
HAN H 1349.14 at bottom

War Printing
1918



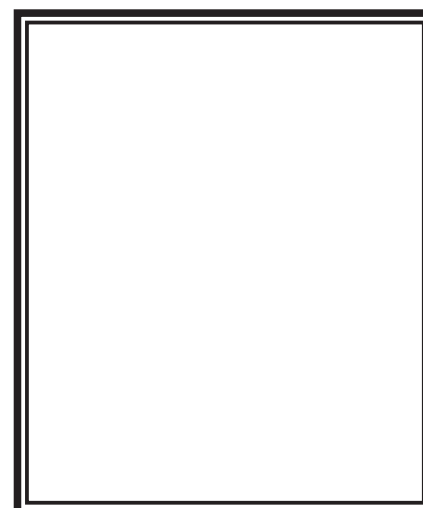
(Dark) Green
5 Pfennig
HAN H 5739.18 at bottom

Peace Printing
1914



Red Carmine
10 Pfennig
HAN H 1350.14 at right

War Printing
1918



Red Carmine
10 Pfennig
HAN H 2552.19 at right

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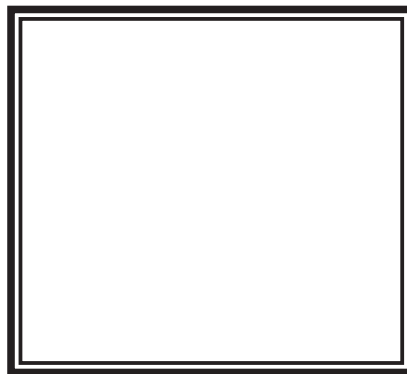
Yacht Issues

Order Numbers / Hausauftragsnummern (HAN)



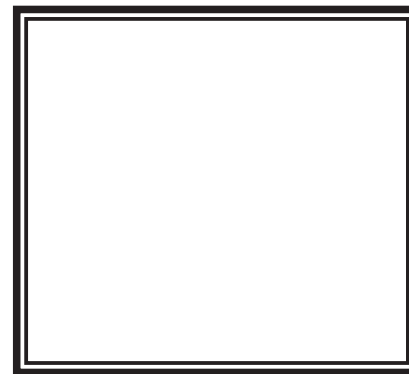
Watermark

War Printing
1918



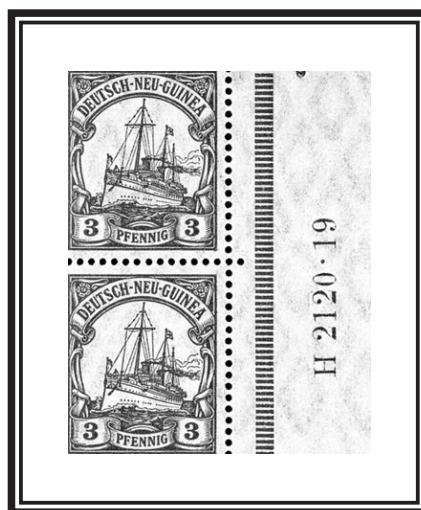
Dark Orange Brown
3 Pfennig
HAN H 5474.18 at bottom

War Printing
1918



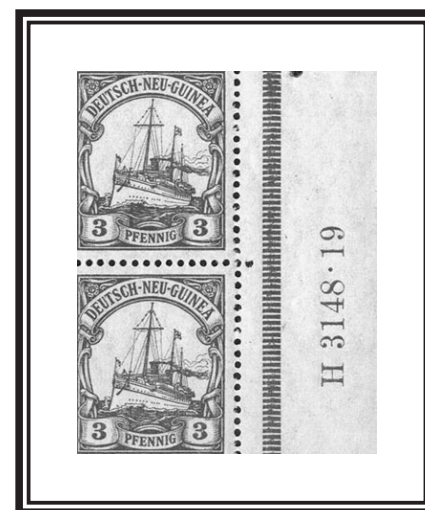
Dark Orange Brown
3 Pfennig
HAN H 5663.18 at bottom

War Printing
1918



Dark Orange Brown
3 Pfennig
HAN H 2120.19 at right

War Printing
1918



Dark Orange Brown
3 Pfennig
HAN H 3148.19 at right

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Feldpostkarte

August 1914



Upon receiving word on 6 August 1914 that war had begun, a feldpost service was quickly organized to serve the postal needs of local German military and police forces. The service was limited to postcards weighing no more than 50 grams, and had no postal facilities of its own. Approximately 1,000 postcards were handstamped with a rubber stamp “Feld-[Postkarte]”, “Absender Dienstgrad” (sender’s rank), and the instructions “nur für die Wehrabteilung und für die Expeditionstruppe” (only for the Defense Corps and the Expeditionary Force). These postcards were then authenticated by the addition of a rubber stamp of the official seal of the Rabaul post office.

Most of these feldpost cards were sent to the post offices in Rabaul and Herbertshöhe for distribution to the forces, with a few sent to Bitapaka and Toma. On 12 August 1914, Australian forces destroyed portions of the post offices in Rabaul and Herbertshöhe, but did not occupy the towns. The post offices remained open until mid-September 1914, but no additional feldpost cards could be created during the intervening weeks, as the Rabaul official seal had been destroyed. Any feldpost cards after approximately 12 September 1914 were created simply by handwriting “feldpost” on a postcard.

However, the normal cancellers were not destroyed on 12 August 1914, and the then-existing feldpost cards could still be used until the closing of the last German post offices in mid-September 1914.

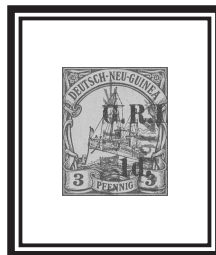
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British Occupation "G.R.I." Overprints

17 October 1914

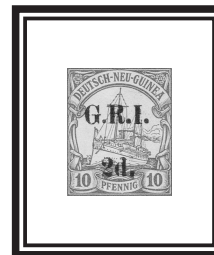
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Large yachts – 3 1/2-4 mm



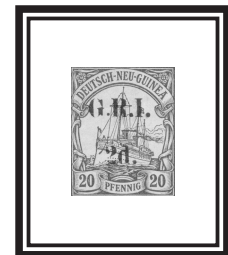
Dark Ochre Brown
1 Penny on 3 Pfennig



(Dark) Green
1 Penny on 5 Pfennig



Dark Carmine Red
2 Pence on 10 Pfennig



Violet Ultramarine
2 Pence on 20 Pfennig



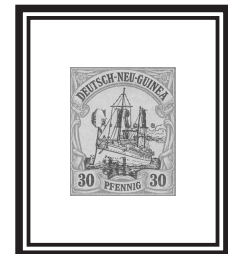
Dark Carmine Red
2 1/2 Pence on 10 Pfennig



Violet Ultramarine
2 1/2 Pence on 20 Pfennig



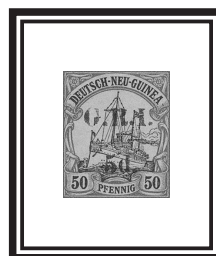
Reddish Orange / Yellow
Black on Light Yellow
3 Pence on 25 Pfennig



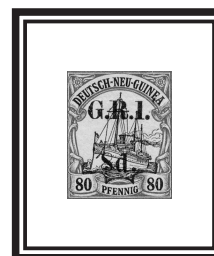
Reddish Orange / Red Black
on Dull Yellowish Orange
3 Pence on 30 Pfennig



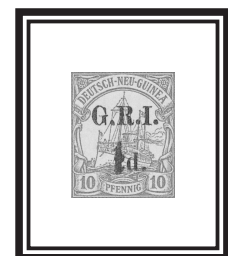
Dark Reddish Carmine /
Black
4 Pence on 40 Pfennig



Dark Brownish Lilac / Red
Black on Dull Brown Orange
5 Pence on 50 Pfennig



Dark Reddish Carmine / Red
Black on Dull Carmine
8 Pence on 80 Pfennig



Bright Lilac Red
"1" on 2 Pence on 20 Pfennig

1915

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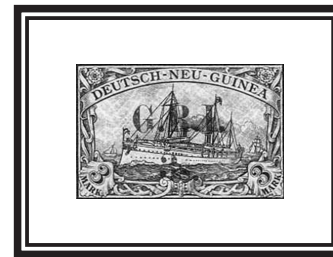
British Occupation "G.R.I." Overprints

17 October 1914

Type I Overprint Spacing:
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Large yachts – 3 1/2-4 mm



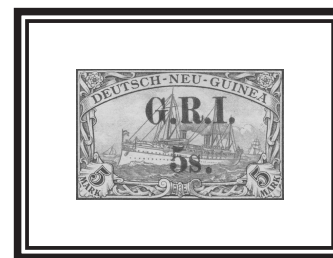
(Dark) Red
1 Shilling on 1 Mark



Blackish Blue
2 Shillings on 2 Mark



Violet Black
3 Shillings on 3 Mark



Green Black / Dark Carmine
5 Shillings on 5 Mark



Australian forces on the wharf at Madang, 1914

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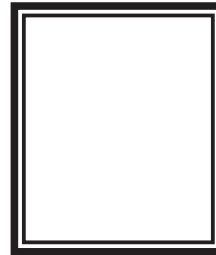


British Occupation "G.R.I." Overprints

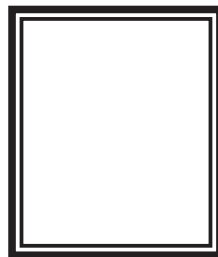
Overprint Flaws

Type I Overprint Spacing:
Small yachts - 6 mm
Large yachts - 3 1/2-4 mm

17 October 1914



Violet Ultramarine
2 Pence on 20 Pfennig
Double "2 d."



Dark Reddish Carmine / Black
4 Pence on 40 Pfennig
Double overprint



Dark Reddish Carmine / Black
4 Pence on 40 Pfennig
Inverted overprint



Green Black / Dark Carmine
5 Shillings on 5 Mark
Missing period after "I"

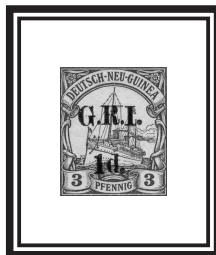
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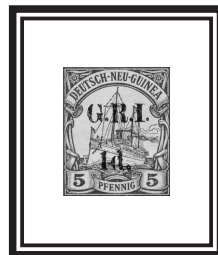
British Occupation "G.R.I." Overprints

16 December 1914

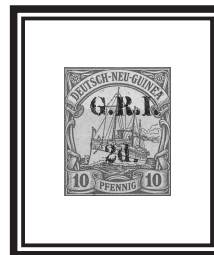
Type II Overprint Spacing:
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Large yachts – 5 ½ mm



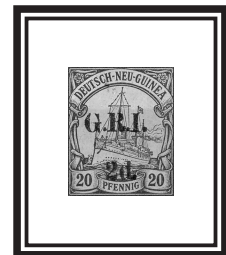
Dark Ochre Brown
1 Penny on 3 Pfennig



(Dark) Green
1 Penny on 5 Pfennig



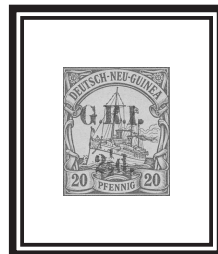
Dark Carmine Red
2 Pence on 10 Pfennig



Violet Ultramarine
2 Pence on 20 Pfennig



Dark Carmine Red
2 ½ Pence on 10 Pfennig



Violet Ultramarine
2 ½ Pence on 20 Pfennig



Reddish Orange / Yellow
Black on Light Yellow
3 Pence on 25 Pfennig

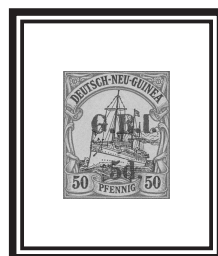


Reddish Orange / Red Black
on Dull Yellowish Orange
3 Pence on 30 Pfennig

1915



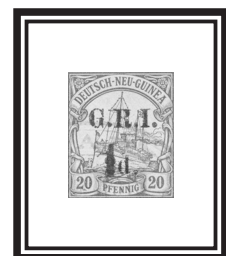
Dark Reddish Carmine /
Black
4 Pence on 40 Pfennig



Dark Brownish Lilac / Red
Black on Dull Brown Orange
5 Pence on 50 Pfennig



Dark Reddish Carmine / Red
Black on Dull Carmine
8 Pence on 80 Pfennig



Violet Ultramarine
"1" on 2 Pence on 20 Pfennig

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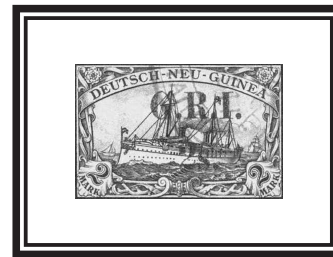
British Occupation "G.R.I." Overprints

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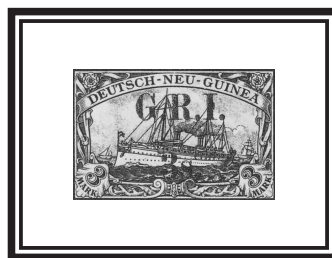
Type II Overprint Spacing:
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Large yachts – 5 1/2 mm



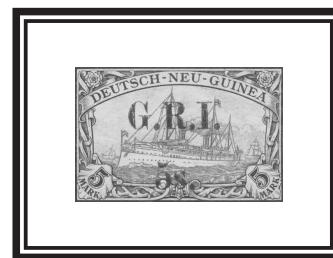
(Dark) Red
1 Shilling on 1 Mark



Blackish Blue
2 Shillings on 2 Mark



Violet Black
3 Shillings on 3 Mark



Green Black / Dark Carmine
5 Shillings on 5 Mark



Australian command staff at the Government House, Rabaul, 1914

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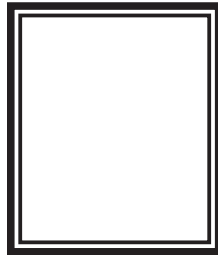


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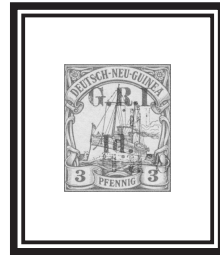
Overprint Flaws

Type II Overprint Spacing:
Small yachts – 5 mm
Large yachts – 5 1/2 mm

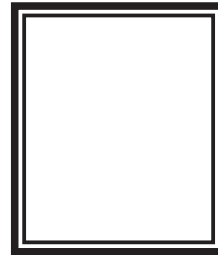
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Dark Ochre Brown
1 Penny on 3 Pfennig
Double overprint



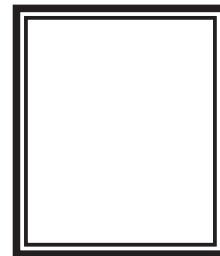
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Double overprint, one inverted



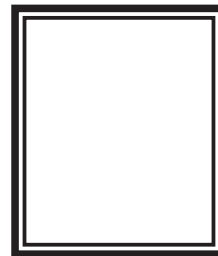
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Missing "1"



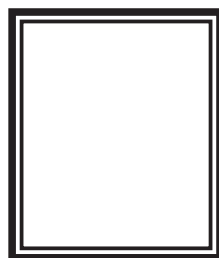
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Inverted overprint



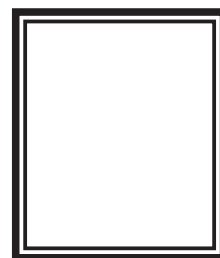
(Dark) Green
1 Penny on 5 Pfennig
"1 p." instead of "1 d."



(Dark) Green
1 Penny on 5 Pfennig
Double overprint



(Dark) Green
1 Penny on 5 Pfennig
Double "1 d."



(Dark) Green
1 Penny on 5 Pfennig
Thin "1"



(Dark) Green
1 Penny on 5 Pfennig
"G.I.R." instead of "G.R.I."

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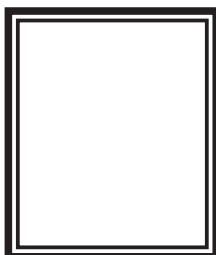


British Occupation "G.R.I." Overprints

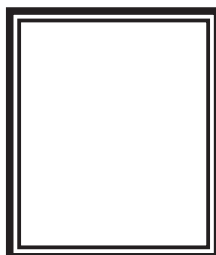
Overprint Flaws

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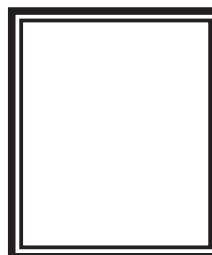
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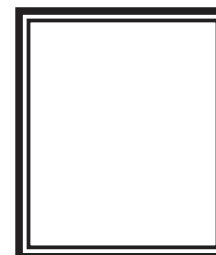
Dark Carmine Red
2 Pence on 10 Pfennig
Double overprint



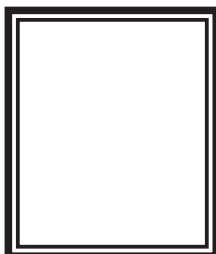
Dark Carmine Red
2 Pence on 10 Pfennig
Double overprint,
one inverted



Dark Carmine Red
2 Pence on 10 Pfennig
"G.I.R. 3 d." instead
of "G.R.I. 2 d."



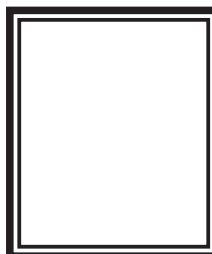
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"1 d." instead of "2 d."



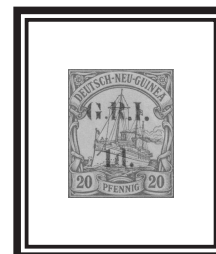
Violet Ultramarine
2 Pence on 20 Pfennig
Double overprint



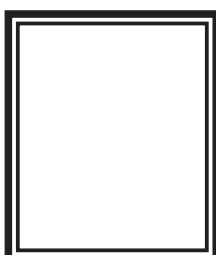
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Double overprint,
one inverted



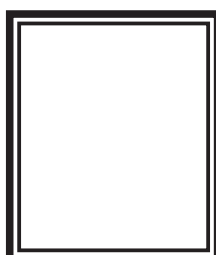
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Double "G.I." instead
of "G.R.I."



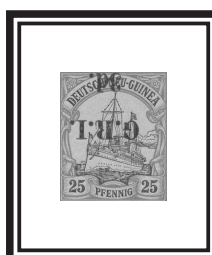
Violet Ultramarine
2 Pence on 20 Pfennig
"1 d." instead of "2 d."



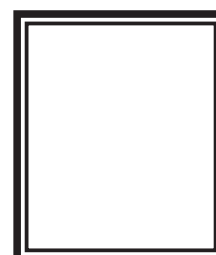
Violet Ultramarine
2 1/2 Pence on 20 Pfennig
Double overprint,
one inverted



Reddish Orange / Yellow
Black on Light Yellow
3 Pence on 25 Pfennig
Double overprint



Reddish Orange / Yellow
Black on Light Yellow
3 Pence on 25 Pfennig
Inverted overprint



Reddish Orange / Yellow
Black on Light Yellow
3 Pence on 25 Pfennig
"G.I.R." instead of "G.R.I."

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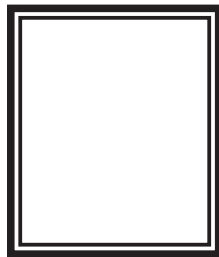


British Occupation "G.R.I." Overprints

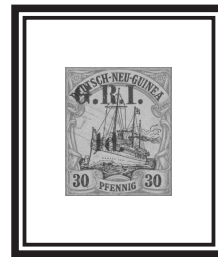
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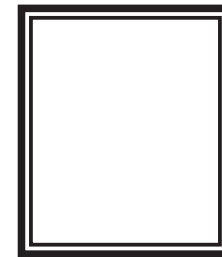
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Reddish Orange / Red Black
on Dull Yellowish Orange
3 Pence on 30 Pfennig
"3 p." instead of "3 d."



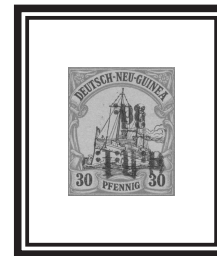
Reddish Orange / Red Black
on Dull Yellowish Orange
3 Pence on 30 Pfennig
"1 d." instead of "3 d."



Reddish Orange / Red Black
on Dull Yellowish Orange
3 Pence on 30 Pfennig
Double overprint



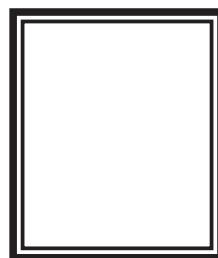
Reddish Orange / Red Black
on Dull Yellowish Orange
3 Pence on 30 Pfennig
Double overprint, one inverted



Reddish Orange / Red Black on
Dull Yellowish Orange
3 Pence on 30 Pfennig
Double overprint, both inverted



Dark Reddish Carmine / Black
4 Pence on 40 Pfennig
Double overprint



Dark Reddish Carmine / Black
4 Pence on 40 Pfennig
Double overprint, one inverted



Dark Reddish Carmine / Black
4 Pence on 40 Pfennig
"1 d." instead of "4 d."

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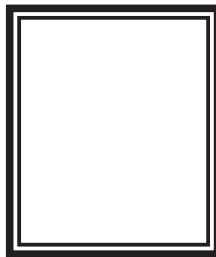


British Occupation "G.R.I." Overprints

Overprint Flaws

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Large yachts – 5 1/2 mm

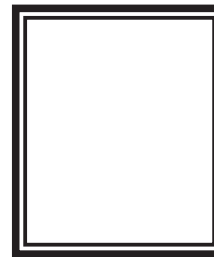
16 December 1914



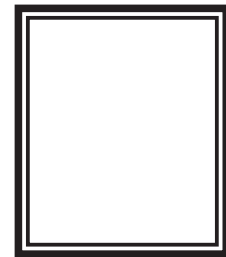
Dark Brownish Lilac / Red
Black on Dull Brown Orange
5 Pence on 50 Pfennig
Double overprint



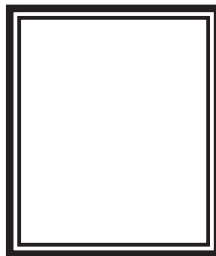
Dark Brownish Lilac / Red
Black on Dull Brown Orange
5 Pence on 50 Pfennig
Double overprint, one inverted



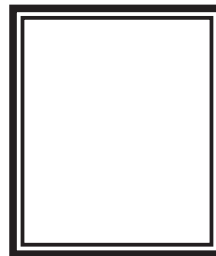
Dark Brownish Lilac / Red
Black on Dull Brown Orange
5 Pence on 50 Pfennig
"G.I.R." instead of "G.R.I."



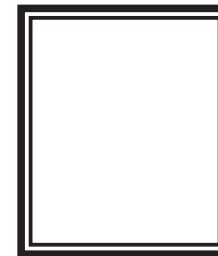
Dark Brownish Lilac / Red
Black on Dull Brown Orange
5 Pence on 50 Pfennig
Missing "5"



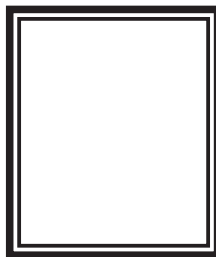
Dark Reddish Carmine /
Red Black on Dull Carmine
8 Pence on 80 Pfennig
Double overprint



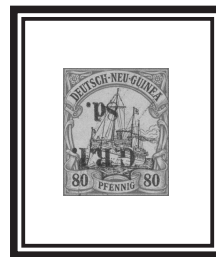
Dark Reddish Carmine /
Red Black on Dull Carmine
8 Pence on 80 Pfennig
Triple overprint



Dark Brownish Lilac / Red
Black on Dull Brown Orange
5 Pence on 50 Pfennig
Double overprint, both inverted



Dark Reddish Carmine /
Red Black on Dull Carmine
8 Pence on 80 Pfennig
Double overprint, one inverted



Dark Reddish Carmine /
Red Black on Dull Carmine
8 Pence on 80 Pfennig
Inverted overprint



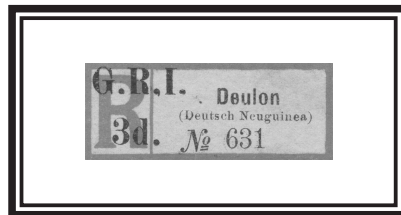
Blackish Blue
2 Shillings on 2 Mark
Double overprint

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British Occupation Registration Labels

1 December 1914



Deulon
3 Pence
Sans Serif Font



Fr. Wilhelmshafen
3 Pence
Sans Serif Font



Fr. Wilhelmshafen
3 Pence
Antiqua Font



Herbertshöhe
3 Pence
Sans Serif Font



Käwieng
3 Pence
Sans Serif Font



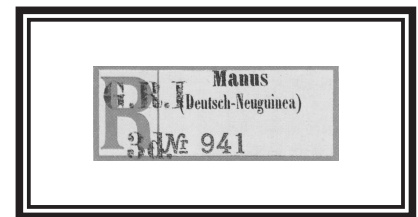
Käwieng
3 Pence
Antiqua Font



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Rabaul
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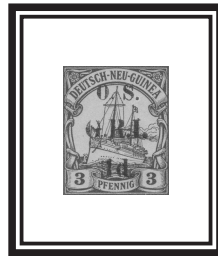
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3 Pence
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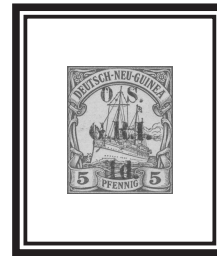


British Occupation Official Issue Overprints

October 1914



Dark Ochre Brown
1 Penny on 3 Pfennig



(Dark) Green
1 Penny on 5 Pfennig



An Australian sentry guards the Government House, Rabaul, 1914

Following their occupation of German New Guinea, the British overprinted the 3- and 5 Pfennig Yacht Issues for use as official issues.

The text is "O.S. / G.R.I. / 1d" (Official Stamp / Georgius Rex Imperator, 1 penny).

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Deutsch-Englische Luftschiff-Expedition

July 1913



Watermark



Ultramarine
2 Pfennig



Black, Blue, & Red
1 Mark

In 1913, Germany and England began planning a joint expedition to survey New Guinea by Zeppelin. The expedition was to be consist of a joint crew, and scientists from both countries.

In order to promote and help finance the expedition, fundraising stamps were printed beginning in July 1913. These stamps were not valid postage, but were purchased as collectors' items or for use with postage.

The Luftschiff Expedition was scheduled for 1914, but was canceled due to World War I. The stamps therefore never made it into widespread circulation. Used copies are extremely rare, with only four known used copies of the 2 Pfennig value and one known used copy of the 1 Mark value. Proofs of 20 Mark and 1,000 Mark values also exist.

Als Beitrag zu der Deutsch-Englischen
Luftschiff-Expedition zur Erforschung von Neu-Guinea
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(Deutliche Adresse)

Luftschiff-Expedition label order card

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