



ENTOMOLOGY

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New Listings

Scott#	Denom	Common Name/Scientific Name	Family/Subfamily	Code
BOTSWANA				
2019 February 20 (Insects of Botswana) (Set/6)				
N/A	50t	Armored Ground Cricket, <i>Acanthopplus discoidalis</i> Walker	TET, Hetrodinae	A
N/A	1p	Tiger Beetle, <i>Manticora</i> sp.	CAR, Cicindelinae	U A
N/A	2p	Saw-backed Locust, <i>Hoplolopha</i> sp.	PAM, Porthetinae	U A
N/A	5p	Robber Fly, <i>Daspletis</i> sp.	ASI, Stenopogoninae	U A
N/A	7p	Hook-Tailed Antlion, <i>Palparidius concinnus</i> Péringuey	MYR, Palparinae	A
N/A	10p	Yellow Pansy, <i>Junonia hierta</i> Fabr.	NYM, Nymphalinae	A
CHINA (Taiwan)				
2018 October 31 (Taichung World Flora Expo) (SS/3)				
4446	Margin	MR: Stylized Butterfly	Lepidoptera	S Z
		LR: U/I Beetle	Coleoptera	U Z
		LR: <i>Bombus</i> sp.	API, Apinae	U Z
CUBA				
2018 November 4 (XV Philatelic Congress: Endemic Birds) (Set/6)				
N/A	65c	<i>Apis mellifera</i> L. (in bird's beak)	API, Apinae	C
GREAT BRITAIN (Isle of Man)				
2019 February 12 (Wildlife) (Block/10 & Vert Strip/10)				
b	(52p)	Common Blue, <i>Polyommatus icarus</i> Rottemburg	LYC, Polyommatinae	A
i	(£1.40)	Scarce Crimson & Gold, <i>Pyrausta sanguinalis</i> L.	CRAM, Pyraustinae	A
N/A		Block/10 (#a-j) (perf 14)		
b	52p	Common Blue, <i>Polyommatus icarus</i> Rottemburg	LYC, Polyommatinae	A
i	52p	Scarce Crimson & Gold, <i>Pyrausta sanguinalis</i> L.	CRAM, Pyraustinae	A
N/A		Vert Strip/10 (#a-j) (die cut) (s/a)		
GUYANA				
2018 November 20 (Tanagers) (MS/6)				
4587	Margin	ML: King Swallowtail, <i>Papilio thoas</i> L.	PAP, Papilioninae	Z
HONG KONG				
2018 October 9 (Cantonese Opera Scenes) (Set/6)				
1963	\$4.90	Actor dressed as butterfly (scene from <i>Butterfly Lovers</i> opera)	Lepidoptera	S
LATVIA				
2019 February 15 (Exhibits in Latvian Museum of Nature) (Single)				
N/A	€1.57	Noble Chafer, <i>Gnorimus nobilis</i> L.	SCA, Cetoniinae	A
LIBERIA				
2019 March 29 (Amazing Insects) (4ea MS/3)				
a	\$300	Giant African Fruit Beetle, <i>Mecynorhina polyphemus</i> Fabr.	SCA, Cetoniinae	A
b	\$300	Derby's Flower Beetle, <i>Dicronorhina derbyana</i> Westwood	SCA, Cetoniinae	A
c	\$300	Giant Goliath Beetle, <i>Goliathus goliatus</i> Drury	SCA, Cetoniinae	A
	Margin	Top: Derby's Flower Beetle, <i>Dicronorhina derbyana</i> Westwood	SCA, Cetoniinae	Z
a	\$200	Giant African Mantis, <i>Sphodromantis viridis</i> Forsskål	MAN, Mantinae	A
b	\$300	Giant African Mantis, <i>Sphodromantis viridis</i> Forsskål	MAN, Mantinae	A
c	\$400	Giant African Mantis, <i>Sphodromantis viridis</i> Forsskål	MAN, Mantinae	A
	Margin	Top: Giant African Mantis, <i>Sphodromantis viridis</i> Forsskål	MAN, Mantinae	Z
a	\$300	<i>Scarabaeus satyrus</i> Boheman (blue carapace)	SCA, Scarabaeinae	A
b	\$300	Same species (black carapace)	SCA, Scarabaeinae	A
c	\$300	Same species (purple carapace)	SCA, Scarabaeinae	A
	Margin	Top: <i>Scarabaeus satyrus</i> Boheman (w/ dung ball)	SCA, Scarabaeinae	A

LIBERIA (continued)

a	\$250	Rainbow Bush Locust, <i>Phymateus saxosus</i> Coquerel	PYRG, Pyrgomorphinae	A
b	\$300	Migratory Locust, <i>Locusta migratoria</i> ssp. <i>migratorioides</i> Reich & Fairmaire	ACR, Oedipodinae	A
c	\$350	Milkweed Grasshopper, <i>Phymateus morbillosus</i> L.	PYRG, Pyrgomorphinae	A
Margin		Top: Rainbow Bush Locust, <i>Phymateus saxosus</i> Coquerel	PYRG, Pyrgomorphinae	Z

MALAWI**2019 February 5** (Malawi Insects) (MS/6 & 6ea SS/1) (inscr. 2018)

a	700k	<i>Polistes</i> sp.	VES, Polistinae	U A
b	700k	Seven-Spotted Ladybird, <i>Coccinella septempunctata</i> L.	COC, Coccinellinae	A
c	700k	Blue Monarch, <i>Tirumala limniace</i> Cramer	NYM, Danainae	A
d	700k	Praying Mantis, <i>Sphodromantis</i> sp.	MAN, Mantinae	U A
e	700k	Garden Locust, <i>Acanthacris ruficornis</i> Fabr.	ACR, Cyrtacanthacridinae	A
f	700k	Western Honeybee, <i>Apis mellifera</i> L.	API, Apinae	A
Margin		UR: U/I Ant	Formicidae	U Z
N/A	SS 450k	Elegant Grasshopper, <i>Zonocerus elegans</i> Thunberg	PYRG, Pyrgomorphinae	A
N/A	SS 450k	Western Honeybee, <i>Apis mellifera</i> L.	API, Apinae	A
N/A	SS 450k	U/I Grasshopper	Acrididae	U A
N/A	SS 450k	Eastern Subterranean Termite, <i>Reticulitermes flavipes</i> Kollar	Rhinotermitidae, Heterotermitinae	A
N/A	SS 450k	Big-Headed Ant, <i>Pheidole megacephala</i> Fabr.	FOR, Myrmicinae	A
N/A	SS 450k	Yellow & Black Potter Wasp, <i>Delta campaniforme</i> Fabr.	EUM, Eumeninae	A

Although these stamps are captioned "Malawi Insects," the Termite, Ladybird, and Blue Monarch are not found in Central Africa.

MALAYSIA**2019 February 19** (Exotic Food) (Set/3 & SS/1)

N/A	60s	Javanese Grasshopper, <i>Valanga nigricornis</i> Burmeister (fried grasshoppers)	ACR, Cyrtacanthacridinae	A
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MOLDOVA**2019** (Honeybees) (MS/12)

There is a question about the validity and source of this issue.

a	1.751	European Honeybee, <i>Apis mellifera</i> ssp. <i>mellifera</i> L.	API, Apinae	A
b	1.751	German Black Honeybee, <i>A. mellifera</i> ssp. <i>mellifera</i> L.	API, Apinae	A
c	1.751	Carniolan Honeybee, <i>A. mellifera</i> ssp. <i>carnica</i> Pollman	API, Apinae	A
d	1.751	Buckfast Honeybee, <i>A. mellifera</i> L. (hybrid)	API, Apinae	A
e	1.751	African Honeybee, <i>A. mellifera</i> ssp. <i>scutellata</i> Lepeletier	API, Apinae	A
f	1.751	Italian Honeybee, <i>A. mellifera</i> ssp. <i>ligustica</i> Spinola	API, Apinae	A
g	1.751	Russian Honeybee, <i>A. mellifera</i> L. (strain)	API, Apinae	A
h	1.751	Carpathian Honeybee, <i>A. m.</i> ssp. <i>carnica</i> Pollman (ecotype)	API, Apinae	A
i	1.751	Gray Caucasian Honeybee, <i>A. m.</i> ssp. <i>caucasica</i> Gorbachev	API, Apinae	A
j	1.751	Yellow Caucasian Honeybee, <i>A. m.</i> ssp. <i>caucasica</i> Gorbachev	API, Apinae	A
k	1.751	Asiatic Honeybee, <i>Apis cerana</i> Enderlein	API, Apinae	A
l	1.751	Cordovan Honeybee, <i>A. m.</i> ssp. <i>ligustica</i> Spinola (race)	API, Apinae	A

ROMANIA**2016 March 23** (Easter) (SS/3)

Mi7055	11	Western Honeybee, <i>Apis mellifera</i> L. (w/ tulips)	API, Apinae	C
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Beyond the Catalog

(Issues of dubious validity)

CENTRAL AFRICA**2019 March 12** (Caterpillars) (Single) (CALC190108a)

N/A	1000fr	Mopane Worm, <i>Gonimbrasia belina</i> Westwood (larvae)	SAT, Saturniinae	A
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DJIBOUTI**2018 December 13** (Global Warming) (MS/4) (DJB18603a)

c	240fr	Brown Bumblebee, <i>Bombus pascuorum</i> Scopoli	API, Apinae	A
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MOZAMBIQUE		2019 February 10 (Butterflies) (MS/4 & SS/1) (MOZ190113a&b)		
a	116m	Small Blue Grecian, <i>Heliconius sara</i> Fabr.	NYM, Heliconiinae	A
b	116m	Goliath Birdwing, <i>Troides goliath</i> Oberthür	PAP, Papilioninae	A
c	116m	Numata Longwing, <i>Heliconius numata</i> ssp. <i>aurora</i> Bates	NYM, Heliconiinae	A
d	116m	Peacock, <i>Nymphalis io</i> L.	NYM, Nymphalinae	A
	SS 300m	Banded Peacock, <i>Papilio palinurus</i> Fabr.	PAP, Papilioninae	A
	Margin	R: Uranus Giant Owl, <i>Caligo uranus</i> Herrich-Schaeffer	NYM, Morphinae	Z
ST. THOMAS & PRINCE IS		2019 February 4 (Butterflies) (MS/4 & SS/1) (ST190108a&b)		
a	31d	White Peacock, <i>Anartia jatrophae</i> Johansson	NYM, Nymphalinae	A
b	31d	Pipevine Swallowtail, <i>Battus philenor</i> L.	PAP, Papilioninae	A
c	31d	Giant Swallowtail, <i>Papilio cresphontes</i> Cramer	PAP, Papilioninae	A
d	31d	American Painted Lady, <i>Vanessa virginiensis</i> Drury	NYM, Nymphalinae	A
	Margin	Top: Brimstone, <i>Gonepteryx rhamni</i> L.	PIE, Coliadinae	Z
	SS 124d	Bluewing, <i>Myscelia ethusa</i> Doyere	NYM, Biblidinae	A
	Margin	R: Malachite, <i>Siproeta stelenes</i> L.	NYM, Nymphalinae	Z
SIERRA LEONE		2019 January 30 (Bees) (MS/4 & SS/1) (SRL190106a&b)		
a	12500le	Red Mason Bee, <i>Osmia bicornis</i> L.	MEGA, Megachilinae	A
b	12500le	Tawny Mining Bee, <i>Andrena fulva</i> Mueller	AND, Andreninae	A
c	12500le	Violet Carpenter Bee, <i>Xylocopa valga</i> Gerstaecker	API, Xylocopinae	A
d	12500le	Buff-Tailed Bumblebee, <i>Bombus terrestris</i> L.	API, Apinae	A
	SS 50000le	Violet Carpenter bee, <i>Xylocopa violacea</i> L.	API, Xylocopinae	A
	Margin	R: Western Honeybee, <i>Apis mellifera</i> L.	API, Apinae	Z
TOGO		2019 February 25 (Butterflies) (2ea MS/4) (TG190106a & 190107a)		
a	800fr	<i>Cepora aspasia</i> Stoll	PIE, Pierinae	A
b	800fr	Blue Morpho, <i>Morpho rhetenor</i> ssp. <i>cacica</i> Staudinger	NYM, Morphinae	A
c	800fr	Scarlet Mormon, <i>Papilio deiphobus</i> ssp. <i>rumanzovia</i> Eschscholtz	PAP, Papilioninae	A
d	800fr	Italian Marbled White, <i>Melanargia arge</i> Sulzer	NYM, Satyrinae	A
	Margin	UL: Pink-Tipped Satyr, <i>Cithaerias pireta</i> ssp. <i>aurorina</i> Weymer	NYM, Satyrinae	Z
		L-UR: U/I Butterfly	Nymphalidae	U Z
		Mid-UR: African Monarch, <i>Danaus chrysippus</i> L.	NYM, Danainae	Z
		R-UR: Small Copper, <i>Lycaena phlaeas</i> L.	LYC, Lycaeninae	Z
a	800fr	Large Copper, <i>Lycaena dispar</i> Haworth	LYC, Lycaeninae	A
b	800fr	Checkered Swallowtail, <i>Papilio demoleus</i> L.	PAP, Papilioninae	A
c	800fr	Amazon Beauty, <i>Baeotus aeilus</i> Stoll	NYM, Nymphalinae	A
d	800fr	Blue Morpho, <i>Morpho rhetenor</i> Cramer	NYM, Morphinae	A
	Margin	UL: Pink-Tipped Satyr, <i>Cithaerias pireta</i> ssp. <i>aurorina</i> Weymer	NYM, Satyrinae	Z
		L-UR: U/I Butterfly	Nymphalidae	U Z
		Mid-UR: African Monarch, <i>Danaus chrysippus</i> L.	NYM, Danainae	Z
		R-UR: Small Copper, <i>Lycaena phlaeas</i> L.	LYC, Lycaeninae	Z

Fun Facts

Which insects have appeared on 150 or more different stamps?

731	Western Honeybee, <i>Apis mellifera</i> L.
353	Monarch, <i>Danaus plexippus</i> L.
267	Old World Swallowtail, <i>Papilio machaon</i> L.
184	African Monarch, <i>Danaus chrysippus</i> L.
167	Peacock, <i>Nymphalis io</i> L.
164	Seven-Spotted Ladybird, <i>Coccinella septempunctata</i> L.
152	Painted Lady, <i>Vanessa cardui</i> L.
150	Red Admiral, <i>Vanessa atalanta</i> L.

Thirty-seven species have appeared more than 50 times on stamps, with all being Lepidoptera except for a honeybee, stag beetle, ladybird, and mosquito. Species listed also include subspecies. Of the 37 species, 78 percent were described by Linnaeus, indicating stamp designers and postal authorities favor common, well-known species. Meanwhile, entomo-philatelists groan “Not those again.”