

# For collectors of Canadian stamps: coils, booklets, souvenir sheets and more

Canada has offered stamps in a wide range of formats, from the sheet stamps first issued in 1851 to this year's new commemorative coils.

Canada Post announced in the January-March 2011 *Details*, its new-issues magazine, that it would offer its first commemorative coil on March 3.

The coil roll contains 50 self-adhesive se-tenant sunflower stamps. The roll will have 25 alternating stamps of each of the sunbright and prado red sunflower varieties. The stamps will also be available in self-adhesive booklets of 10 stamps and in a water-activated souvenir sheet of two.

Although Canada Post will officially count these as two stamps since they are all the same design, for collectors there are in fact six different stamps. The booklet and souvenir sheet stamps have a ver-

tical design while the coil stamps will be horizontal. All will bear a permanent denomination.

This new coil format made me think that Canadian stamps have been issued in many different formats over the years.

## SHEETS, BOOKLETS, COILS

Canada's sheet stamps were the first to appear, dating from 1851.

Booklets go as far back as June 11, 1900, when the 1898 2¢ Queen Victoria Numeral definitive was issued in booklets of 12 (two panes of six stamps, Scott 77b).

There have been many booklets since; the *Unitrade Specialized Catalogue of*

*Canadian Stamps* lists almost 450 different complete booklets.

Their original purpose was for the convenience of the postal patron, particularly for rural mail delivery, where it was easy for a farmer to put a 25¢ piece in the mailbox and receive in exchange a booklet of stamps.

Booklets, although used everywhere in Canada, were most popular in the Prairie provinces, where isolation made it more difficult for farmers to regularly attend their post offices.

This love affair with booklets in the West has continued ever since.

In 1998, Canada Post decided to stop producing Queen Elizabeth II definitive booklets. This decision resulted in a shortage of booklets in the West. To respond to the demand,

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Canada Post transferred large quantities of its Canals of Canada booklet (Scott 1725-34), thus creating another type of shortage. All but one of the canals portrayed in the 10-stamp booklet are in Quebec and Ontario — the other is in Nova Scotia — so after the transfer, the postal outlets close to these tourist attractions had no booklets for sale.

The cover of that 1998 Canals of Canada booklet is pictured in Figure 1.

Since self-adhesive stamps have become the norm, booklets are becoming ubiquitous, with most midvalue definitives and almost all commemoratives being issued primarily in that format.

Convenience continues to be a factor, and it also allows for increased sales to collectors: Instead of purchasing one stamp, collectors buy a booklet containing a multiple number of the same stamp.

In 1910, experimental coil stamps were made up from the King Edward VII 1¢ and 2¢ issues.

The first general-issue coils were put

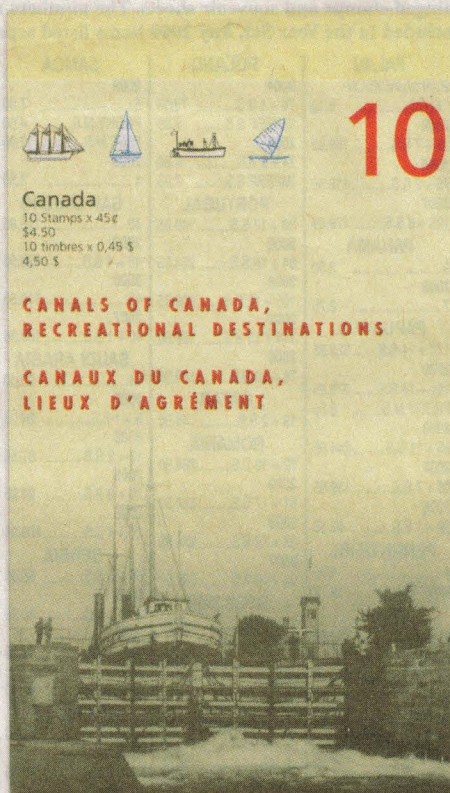


Figure 1. The folded booklet of 10 45¢ Canals of Canada stamps issued by Canada in 1998.

on sale in October 1912 (Scott 123-24). These perforated horizontal coils were of the same design as the December 1911 King George V 1¢ and 2¢ Admiral issue (104, 106).

A pair of the 1976 10¢ Queen Elizabeth coil (Scott 605) is shown in Figure 2.

### CELLO-PAQS

In 1961, the Post Office introduced miniature panes in cello-paqs. Most packs contained two panes of stamps.

The Queen Elizabeth II Wilding definitives of 1954 were the first to be printed and packaged this way. The 2¢ stamp was sold in packs of two panes of 25 stamps (Scott 338a). The 5¢ stamp came in a pack containing a single pane of 20 (341b).

The cello-paq of the 2¢ stamp is pictured in Figure 3.

The cello-paqs were advertised for their convenience "for pocket or purse." Although they may have fit in

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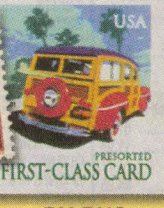
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a purse, they never fit conveniently in any pocket I ever had.

The packs were used for definitives and Christmas stamps until 1967, when it was discovered that the cellophane used for the sealed packaging could be environmentally detrimental.

Miniature panes of eight, 12 and 16 stamps continue to be produced to this day, for commemoratives either with water-activated adhesives or with self-



Figure 2. Coil stamps were first developed in Canada in 1910. This 10¢ coil depicting Queen Elizabeth II was issued in 1976.

adhesive gums and peelable backs.

### SOUVENIR SHEETS

Canada's first souvenir sheet was issued in 1978 for Capex, the World Philatelic Exhibition held that year in Toronto (Scott 756a).

Until 1991, all souvenir sheets were issued to promote stamp exhibitions (Scott 1039a, 1066b, 1107b and 1125A).

That year, the first non-exhibition souvenir sheet was issued (Scott 1344) to commemorate the centennial of the game of basketball invented by Canadian James Naismith.

The Basketball souvenir sheet is pictured in Figure 4.

From 1994 on, many commemorative stamps began to appear in souvenir sheet format.

Today, most commemorative stamp issues exist both in die-cut self-adhesive



Figure 3. Canada offered stamps in cello-paqs as customer convenience from 1961 through 1967.

booklets and in perforated water-activated souvenir sheets.

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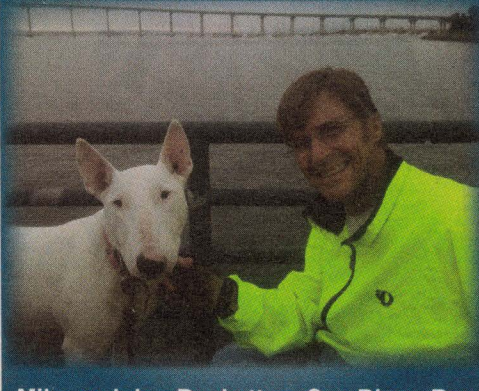
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# MULTIPLE FORMATS

Since 1998 for definitives (Scott 1682 and 1698) and 1999 for commemoratives (1770-73 and 1774-77), Canada Post has been issuing many of the same stamp designs in both sheet format and booklet format, usually with differences in adhesive or perforation.

Canada Post also introduced souvenir sheets for definitives in 2005 when the \$1 stamps were sold in that format only (Scott 1688-89).

The first definitives to appear in multiple formats including a souvenir sheet were the midvalue flowers issued in 2005 and 2006 (Scott 2187 and 2194-2200)

Many years ago, I marvelled at An Post, the Irish Post Office, for making many of its stamps regularly available in three or

four formats: sheets, booklets, coils and souvenir sheets. I wondered how a country with a small population could do this.

There must be some financial reward in doing so, since Canada Post has now copied Ireland's model. ■



Figure 4. Canada's 1991 3-stamp commemorative souvenir sheet celebrating the basketball centennial was the country's first souvenir sheet not associated with a stamp exhibition.

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9	200.00	146 ng	32.50	210	12.50	249	40.00	290	45.00	344	1.40	453	2.50	507 nh	16.25
15 ng	450.00	146	88.00	211 ng	30.00	251	75.00	291	175.00	344 nh	3.00	454	2.20	508	3.00
17	1500.00	147 ng	30.00	212	7.90	252	30.00	294 nh	12.50	367	1.25	455	5.25	509	3.00
25 PR	1500.00	147	75.00	212 ng	30.00	254	37.50	295	3.90	370	2.25	456	4.75	510	4.35
26	18.75	148 ng	100.00	212	30.00	254 ave nh	99.00	296	21.00	370 nh	4.50	457	26.00	510 nh	10.00
26 ng	5.65	150 ng	169.00	213 ng	2.80	255	22.75	300	21.00	372	3.00	458	7.50	511	2.25
29 ng	312.00	150	400.00	213	12.50	255 nh	90.00	301	24.00	372 nh	6.00	459	1.75	511 nh	5.00
37	390.00	154 ng	450.00	214	17.50	256	43.00	307	30.00	375	1.65	462	4.00	512	2.00
63	90.00	156 ng	30.00	215 ng	25.00	258	60.00	309	38.00	376	5.00	462 nh	2.50	512a	2.25
65	30.00	156	75.00	215	50.00	258 nh	130.00	310	38.00	377	7.50	463 nh	10.00	512a nh	5.50
68	275.00	157 ng	40.00	216	65.00	259	80.00	303 nh	1.30	378	7.50	464	25.00	513	2.50
68a ng	138.00	157	95.00	219	7.50	261A	595.00	304	15.00	383 nh	1.10	465	.25	513 nh	6.00
68a	290.00	158 ng	10.00	219D	49.00	262	650.00	304 nh	37.50	384	.80	466	.50	515	11.00
69 cert ng	225.00	158	32.50	220	6.00	263	1250.00	305	15.00	385 LPR	135.00	467	1.20	515 nh	23.75
72 ng	375.00	159	119.00	221	21.00	264	1.00	306	10.00	391 nh	30.00	468	3.50	516	10.00
73 ng	35.00	160	375.00	222	27.50	264 nh	4.50	307	15.00	397	5.00	469	8.50	516 nh	5.00
73	90.00	161 ng	115.00	223	18.00	265	7.00	308	15.00	397 nh	10.00	470	2.50	518	12.00
75 ng	425.00	163 ng	315.00	224	18.00	267	1.35	309	12.50	398	5.00	471	18.00	518a	34.50
76 ng	155.00	178 ng	45.00	224 nh	55.00	267 nh	4.00	310 nh	420.00	398 nh	11.25	472	.15	518a nh	5.00
76	425.00	178	95.00	225	15.00	268	9.50	319	1.50	405	1.20	473	.30	519	.90
77 ng	275.00	178 nh	125.00	226	52.00	269	11.00	319L	2.50	405 nh	3.75	474	1.10	520	.45
78b ng	235.00	179 ng	60.00	227	68.00	270	8.75	324	7.00	405b nh	40.00	475	.25	520 nh	1.25
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86 ng	350.00	182 ng	23.75	228	100.00	273	23.00	325	22.50	406 nh	4.00	477	1.75	522	2.00
88	249.00	182	80.00	229	160.00	274	60.00	326	24.00	408	.35	478	2.50	523	.75
92 ng	225.00	183	37.50	230	4.00	275	75.00	326 nh	60.00	409	.70	479	5.00	523 nh	2.50
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96 ng	275.00	186	275.00	231v nh	45.00	279B	2.25	329 nh	20.00	411	2.50	484	.10	527	3.25
97 ng	280.00	187 ng	300.00	232	12.00	279B nh	5.00	330	37.50	411 nh	8.00	485	.75	528	8.75
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112 ng	90.00	189	80.00	235	12.00	280B	7.50	331 nh	1.80	424 nh	1.35	488	2.50	531	.45
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115 ng	259.00	206 ng	7.50	240	149.00	283 nh	120.00	334	18.75	428 nh	18.75	493	.10	536	3.25
116 ng	200.00	206	21.00	240 ave nh	395.00	284	45.00	334	9.50	441 nh	.50	494	.75	537	8.75
116	475.00	206 nh	75.00	241	290.00	285	7.50	335	9.50	441 nh	1.45	495	.10	538	.20
119 ng	440.00	207	20.00	246	7.50	286	6.50	336	16.90	442 PR	6.25	496	.50	539	.70
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