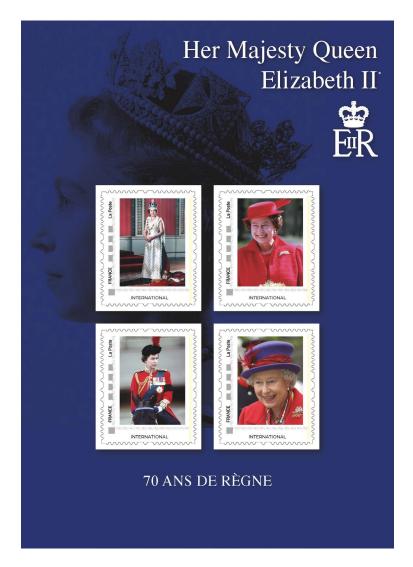


PHILAPOSTE

Press Release September 2022

HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II

On 19 September 2022, La Poste will issue a set of four collector's stamps to commemorate Queen Elizabeth II, who passed away on Thursday 8 September 2022 at the age of 96. A sovereign of wisdom and strength, she has had a profound effect on her nation, her people and history, developing friendly relations with France throughout her 70-year reign.



Réf.: 21 22 909

Designs based on mock-ups - Actual colours may differ/available on request

3/5 Avenue Gallieni - Immeuble ORSUD - 94257 GENTILLY CEDEX - Tel.: +33 (0)1 41 87 13 04 - Fax: +33 (0)1 41 87 13 69 La Poste SA (public limited company) with share value of €5,364,851,364 - Paris Trade and Companies Register registration number 356 000 000



Profile

Born on 21 April 1926 in London, Princess Elizabeth of York was not destined to become Queen. Crowned in 1952 following the death of her father, King George VI, Elizabeth II has lived through eventful times and crises. She was a Queen devoted to her people and a symbol of stability for her country, relentlessly pursuing a commitment to serve the Commonwealth as a whole. In June 2022, Elizabeth II celebrated her Platinum Jubilee, the first in the history of the British monarchy, setting a record for longevity and popularity.

"She was a living legend. During her 70-year reign, Elizabeth II has managed to embody, against all odds, the stability of the United Kingdom and the unity of the Commonwealth. Driven by a strong sense of duty, devoted to the royal institution and its people, she personified the British national identity with dignity and grace, lacking neither courage in the darkest hours of history nor beaming smiles for joyous festivities at which the whole nation gathered around her in a spirit of community. After Elizabeth I and Victoria, Elizabeth II will undoubtedly be remembered as one of the greatest sovereigns in British history."

Stéphane Bern

A collector's item in the colours of the

The collector's stamps are in the colours of the United Kingdom's Union Jack flag: red, white and blue.

Dressed in white for her coronation, the Queen, a skilled horsewoman, enjoyed wearing brightly coloured outfits and hats.

Like Marianne in France, Queen Elizabeth has appeared on British stamps since the beginning of her reign in 1952. The background of the collector's stamps feature the iconic profile of Queen Elizabeth II, in the typical Machin style that has been used on UK postage stamps since 1967.

© La Poste - Tous droits réservés

Technical info

Creation: Agence Huitième Jour

Printing: offset **Collector format:** 148,5 x 210 mm **Stamps Format:** 37 x 45 mm

Face value: €1.65 (per stamp) - International

Collector price: €8,50 TTC

Legal notice: Photos: © Roger Viollet / PA Archive / TopPhoto / Peter Grugeon / John

Hedgecoe – Création : Agence Huitième Jour

Practical info

The collector will be sold starting September 19th 2022

In Paris (75)

In the store "LE CARRÉ D'ENCRE", from 10AM to 7PM, 13bis rue des Mathurins, 75009 PARIS

By subscription or by writing to Philaposte Service Clients Commercial, Z.I. Avenue Benoît Frachon, BP 10106 Boulazac, 24051 PÉRIGUEUX CEDEX 09, by telephone on +33 (0)5 53 03 19 26 and by e-mail at sav-phila.philaposte@laposte.fr

By internet on the www.laposte.fr website or the WOPA platform https://www.wopa-plus.com

You can find this information along with any updates on the health situation at: <u>www.lecarredencre.fr</u>,
the leading website for stamp-related news.

Philaposte Press Contacts





Maryline GUILET

Press and communication officer

maryline.guilet@laposte.fr +33 (0) 6 32 77 39 65

Ségolène GODELUCK

Director of Communication and Institutional Relations segolene.godeluck@laposte.fr +33 (0) 6 50 10 93 63

About Philaposte

The number one postmark printer in Europe, Philaposte has built up its expertise in security prints for over 30 years thanks to its know-how and its investment policy. The company, operating as part of Le Groupe La Poste, also designs, prints and distributes stamps for France's Philatelic Programme.

Key figures:

- 4 sites including a printing works in Boulazac (Dordogne) and two points of sale in Paris and Boulazac.
- Over 1 billion postmarks, including 500 million stamps from books of correspondence stamps or the Philatelic Programme.
- 200 million stamps are produced for numerous postal stakeholders.
- Over 100 million security prints: cheques, civil status documents, passports, traceability, etc.
- 1 customer service department and a variety of sales channels both in France and abroad (Le Carré d'Encre, subscriptions, catalogue, post offices, postmen and women, laposte.fr online shop, newsagents, etc.).

Stamps for every occasion

The Philately Charter, signed in 2009 and revised in 2018 by La Poste and its partners, offers six stamp families:

Definitive stamps: Marianne



Traditionally
represented by
Marianne, the
symbol of the
French Republic, the
definitive stamp is
chosen by the
President of France
at the start of each
term.

Philatelic Programme stamps





Featuring tributes to national figures, commemorations of major events and celebrations of the country's natural, architectural and cultural heritage, these stamps form the core of stamp collecting.

Correspondence stamps



To promote communication and letter-writing among the general public, La Poste sells booklets filled with beautifully designed adhesive stamps.

Collector stamps



These beautiful stamp creations bring attention to events across every region and theme. The stamps are grouped onto a single sheet, with an illustration of the event.

Special limited-edition stamps



Special stamp runs intended for collectors: re-issues of notable stamps, new versions of certain stamps, etc.

Personalised stamps





These custom stamps allow individuals, associations and companies to create their own stamps, with their choice of image, quantity and distribution location.