

That's a Postage Stamp?

What do you visualize when you hear the words "postage stamp"?

In the very beginning, the humble postage stamp was rectangular, made of paper, printed in sheets by giant presses and had to be separated from one another with scissors. Well, throw that all out the window! This one-frame fun exhibit explores unusual aspects of stamps—their shape, what they are made of, how they look and even how they smell.

Completeness is impossible with such a collection of philatelic novelties, and yes, an exhibit of them can always be expanded. So treat this as a sampling of what has been produced by postal administrations around the world for collectors like you and me and enjoy some unique aspects of the modern day postage stamp!



The Plan

1.0 Paper Stamps

1.1 Visual Effects

Die Cut Shapes, Glow-in-the-Dark,
3-D, Holograms

1.2 Add-Ons

Thermographic inks, Powders, Beads/
Crystals, Seeds, Scratch-offs, Scents

2.0 Non-Paper Stamps

2.1 Unusual Substrates

Synthetics, Organics, Metals and Foils,
Textiles

2.2 Audio/Visual

Records and CDs, Motion Stamps

Conclusion

