



This 1920 stamp issue depicts a detail portrait of Capt. James Cook's painting by the eminent 18th century artist Nathaniel Dance-Holland. It was painted in 1776 when Cook was aged 48 years, the original painting hangs in the National Maritime Museum at Greenwich.



Vignette Proofs



Upward shift of vignette



Varying shades

THE COOK ISLANDS
The pictorial issues of 1920

Niue, Rarotonga, Aitutaki and Penrhyn



In 1920 a set of 6 stamps were introduced for each of the Cook Islands listed above. The inscription of the island name and the frame colours differentiate them as shown in the above 3 examples.

NIUE (Cook Islands)



1920, Pictorial issues, unwatermarked



1925-27, Watermarked issues

NIUE (Cook Islands)

1932, Pictorial issues, unwatermarked



Observe some subtle shade variations!



Imperf

RAROTONGA (Cook Islands)



1920, Pictorial issues, 8 values



Plate proof pair



Some interesting shade variations!

RAROTONGA (Cook Islands)

1931, The surcharged issue of the Capt. Cook portrait stamp

There are some significant shade variations
in both the frames and the vignettes



AITUTAKI (Cook Islands)

1920, Pictorial set and some shade variations
and off centre vignettes!



PENRHYN (Cook Islands)

1920, Pictorial set and some vignette shifts and subtle shade variations.



NIUE (Cook Islands)



The 1931 surcharged issue variety.
Damaged frame between "NIUE and POSTAGE"



From the 1920 set, variety: the double derrick.
Showing on the bottom left stamp.



From the 1925 set, an issued stamp and a colour trial pair.

COOK ISLANDS



1938 pictorial issues, frame and vignette proofs.

Cook Islands, 1949 issue (definitive)
Stamps depict various aspects of the history of the islands.



COOK ISLANDS



1932 Issues



Three values of 1932 were reissued in 1935 and overprinted for the silver jubilee of King George V. These 1935 stamps have different colour centres to the original 1932 issues.



1938, King George VI issues









COOK ISLANDS—continued

at SG 200 APPROX £195 as checked

1899. Surcharged

1893—continued

		6d. Purple	1s. Carmine		"ONE HALF PENNY" on rd., blue	 on rd., brown
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£4.25

Brown

No wmk.

1902. Colours changed

Wmk. "NZ and Star"

1/4d. Green



1/4d. Blue

£9

£13

per f 14

£5.50

£4+

1919. Stamps of New Zealand surcharged in red or blue



1 1/2d. Brown



2d. Blue



7.50 +

1967 (10 Jul): Decimal Currency. Wmk Mult. NZ and Star (Sideways on Arms Type and Sideways Inverted on 1c, 2c, 2-5c, 3c, 5c, 10c). P13-5 x14 (Horiz) and R14 x 13-5 (Vert). P14 (Arms Types).



NIUE

ISSUES OF 1967-70

Decimal Currency



set 101-115



*set
122-131*



1946



NIUE

Watermarked Double Lined N. Z. and Star

1902



Wmkd. Single Lined N. Z. and Star



Unwatermarked



Watermarked Single Lined N. Z. and Star

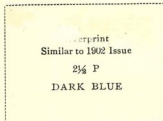
1903



1911-12



1915



1917



1917



1918



COOK ISLANDS

1892. No wmk. Perf.



1½d.
Mauve

2½d.
Blue

rod.
Red

Black

£ 27

1893. Wmk. "NZ and Star." Perf.



Brown

£ 18++

£ 5+

£ 4+

£ 18++

£ 18++

COOK ISLANDS

From the definitive issues of 1893

1911, New Zealand issue of Edward VII for use on the island of Niue.



1919, George V definitive set of New Zealand for use on the island of Rarotonga.

All the over printed values are in the language of the Cook Islands.

NIUE

Watermarked Single-lined N. Z. and Star Close Together

1935



Watermarked Single-lined N. Z. and Star Close Together

1938



1940



48 diff
stamps

NIUE

Watermarked Double Lined N. Z. and Star

1902

New Zealand
Stamps of 1902
Overprinted
in Green
NIUE.
1 P
CARMINE



Same
Perf. 11x14
1 P
CARMINE

Wmkd. Single Lined N. Z. and Star

Unwatermarked

Same
 $\frac{1}{8}$ P
GREEN
1 P
CARMINE



Vermilion Surcharge
 $\frac{2}{8}$ P
BLUE

Watermarked Single Lined N. Z. and Star

NIUE

1902-03



1911-12



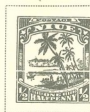
1917-21



3 P
CHOCOLATE

6 P
CARMINE
ROSE

1920



1932



1932

1940



1937



NIUE

Watermarked Multiple N. Z. and Star
1945-49

New Zealand Postal-Fiscal Stamps Overprinted	5 S	10 S	£1
	GREEN	ROSE	PINK
NIUE 2 S 6 P BROWN			

1950



1953



No. 820
NIUE

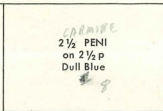
AIR MAIL.

M. Leared,
Manganagh Terrace,
Duney, Co. Dublin,

NIUE

A Dependency of New Zealand in the South Pacific Ocean. Area: 100 sq. mi.; pop.: about 4,588.


ISSUES OF 1892-1927



PERF 14

#18



 19 24	3p Chocolate 20 25	2½p Dark Blue 24 26	3p Sepia 22 27	6p Carmine Rose 23 28	1s Brn Orange 24 29
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set
21-29

49

Unwatermarked 1920

set
35-40

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This very attractive pictorial set of 1950 was reissued as a surcharged set for the introduction of decimal currency in 1967.

