

INTRODUCTION

During the year 1950 the popularity of Stamps of the Australian Commonwealth was maintained and increased. This has resulted in further enhancement of values, which is now noticeably apparent in the George VI issues of 1937-39.

Following the precedent of Stanley Gibbons (see European Catalogue (Part II) page 262, following Germany S.G. 51) we have listed in this edition certain stamps "which found their way on to the market" during the years 1946-50.

The attention of Collectors making use of this Catalogue is particularly drawn to the following:—

1. Prices listed in this Catalogue are for Stamps held by us or which we can reasonably expect to become available.
2. Two Handbooks on Australian Stamps are now on the press, and expected to be available simultaneously with this edition. Particulars appear on pages 62 and 69.
3. All prices are subject to fluctuation without notice.

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In ordering, always give the prefix letter and number.

Note Particularly.

The pricing of Imprints and Controls in almost every instance is now given in "Blocks of Four."

The system of listing is to give first the primary colour, and then all shades of that colour; then varieties, lettered a, b c, etc. The prices for the varieties are for the cheapest shades.

The extreme right column gives a description of the variety, and also a list of the varieties known. Major varieties include shades, retouches, re-entries, and more noticeable plate flaws, etc.

Minor varieties consist mainly of electro flaws and faults. As their philatelic interest is small, we do not list them.

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