Cartoon Bird Stamps - D (Part 1)

Donald Duck [Disney]

The Main Stamp

Dominica 1986



Image source: <u>https://www.stampworld.com</u>

This Dominica stamp shows Donald Duck with his stamp collection.

It was issued on 22 May to coincide with the International Stamp Exhibition "Ameripex" held in Chicago. This was one of a set of four Disney stamps, Donald featuring on two.

The Character

<u>Key facts¹:</u>

- Donald Duck's first film appearance was on 9 June 1934 in "The Wise Little Hen".
- Donald Duck's middle name is Fauntleroy, as revealed in the 1942 film "Donald Gets Drafted".
- In 1995 P. Sicoli and P. Ghezzi discovered an asteroid which was subsequently named after Donald Duck. This asteroid is also designated 12410.
- Donald has his own star on the Hollywood walk of fame (6840 Hollywood Blvd).
- Donald's life partner is Daisy Duck.
- Donald's nephews are Huey, Dewey and Louie.
- Donald's nieces are April, May and June.
- Donald's eldest relative is Uncle Scrooge McDuck.

Each of these characters also feature on Donald Duck stamps.

¹ Source: <u>https://disneydiary.com</u>. Cross-referenced to other sources.

Other Donald Duck Stamps

There are numerous countries which have, over very many years, issued stamps that feature Donald Duck, generally as part of a Disney theme, but more recently to celebrate anniversaries of the Donald Duck character.

Amongst the list are: Albania (2000), Antigua and Barbuda (1981 & 1984), Bhutan (1984), Dominica (1979, 1981, 1984 & 1986) France (2004), Gambia, Ghana (1995), Grenada (1984), Guyana (1994 & 1996), Italy (2019) Lesotho (1986), Maldives (1984 & 1995), Nevis (1992), The Netherlands (2010 & 2012), Sharjah and Dependencies (1972), Sierra Leone (1984), Togo (1984), Turks and Caicos Islands (multiple issues in the early 1980s). This list is not exhaustive and some of the Donald Duck stamps are part of issues celebrating Disney cartoon characters. Some examples are shown below.

Sierra Leone 1984



Image source: <u>https://www.stampworld.com</u>

This image is one stamp from a set of nine featuring Donald.

Antigua and Barbuda 1989



Image source: <u>http://icanbreakaway.blogspot.com/2015/</u>

Donald Duck with his stamp collection. This stamp is one from a set of eight on Walt Disney characters, also celebrating the American Philately Society.

Guyana 1996

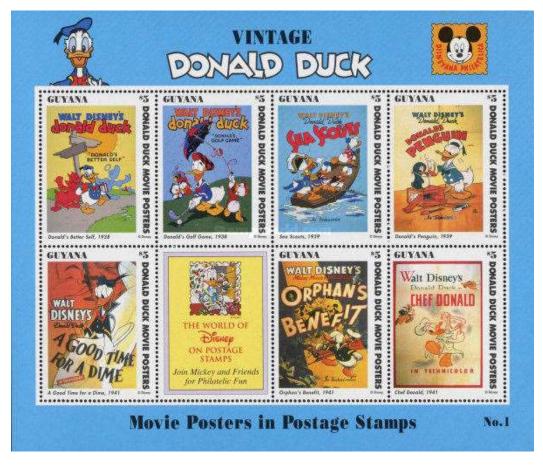


Image source: https://www.stampworld.com/en/

A set of eight Donald Duck stamps with a more retro-look in the designs.

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Italy 2019



Image source: <u>https://www.filatelia.poste.it/</u>

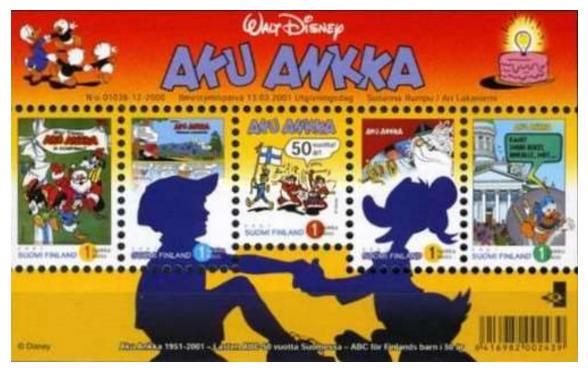
On 30 October 2019, Poste Italiane issued the above sheetlet of eight stamps as part of the theme "Italian Excellence in the Visual Arts". The stamps commemorate 85 years of the creation of Paolino Paperino (Donald Duck). At the same time, the stamps also celebrate the production and development of the comic "Paperino" in Italy. An example of a cover from one this comic (produced in A5 format) is shown below:



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Image source: author's collection

The eight stamps are all drawn by Giorgio Cavazzano, an Italian graphic artist who is well renowned world-wide (his signature features on the sheetlet). Cavazzano also illustrated the 2019 Poste Italiane Christmas issue featuring Father Christmas.



Finland 2001

Image source: <u>https://www.stampworld.com/en/stamps</u>

Posti Finland issued this set of five stamps on 13 March 2001 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Finnish Donald Duck magazine.

Interested in Collecting Duck Stamps?

Ducks are a popular sub-theme for bird stamp collectors. Here are a few duck stamps that might tempt you:

Czechoslovakia 1967 – Northern Shoveler



From a set of two stamps featuring ducks

Uruguay 1968 - White-faced Whistling Duck



Japan 1992 – Mandarin Duck



From a set of definitives.

Marshall Islands 1992 – Northern Pintail



Iceland 1996 - Barrow's Goldeneye



From a set of two stamps.

Surinam 2000 - Black-bellied Whistling Duck



From a set of two duck stamps.

United Nations New York 2003 - White-faced Whistling Duck



From a set of four stamps on endangered species.

United States of America 2015 – Ruddy Duck



Image source: www.stampworld.com

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Cook Islands 2020 - Common Goldeneye



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Niger 2019

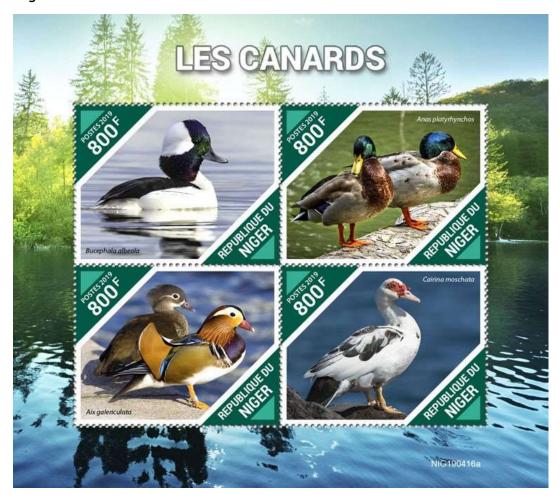


Image source: <u>https://stamperija.eu/product/ducks-24</u>