

## Cartoon Bird Stamps - O

### Owl [The Gruffalo]

#### *The Main Stamp*

Germany 2019



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

See if you can spot the owl peeking out from the tree ! This stamp commemorated the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Gruffalo.

#### *The Character*

##### Key Facts<sup>1</sup>:

- Owl is a character in The Gruffalo, which celebrated 20 years of collaboration between Julia Donaldson (writer) and Axel Scheffler (illustrator).
- The Gruffalo books have sold over 13.5 million copies and have been translated into 60 languages.
- The Owl essentially plays a supporting role to the main character, The Gruffalo.
- The Owl is one of several recurring characters in The Gruffalo, including The Mouse and other supporting characters: The Fox and The Snake.

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<sup>1</sup> Source: <https://www.gruffalo.com> and the Royal Mail presentation pack.

## Other Owl Stamps from The Gruffalo

### Introduction

In 2019, Britain also marked the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The Gruffalo and issued stamps illustrating the Owl.

### Great Britain 2019



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## Interested in collecting Owl Stamps?

Here are a few owl stamps that may tempt you to collecting this intriguing sub-theme:

### France 1972 - Eurasian Eagle-owl



Nature conservation issue.

### Christmas Island 1985 - Hawk Owl



**Surinam 1993 - Western Barn Owl**



**South Korea - 1994 - Scops Owl**



**Togo 1995 - Barn Owl**



**Solomon Islands 2016 - Spectacled Owl**



Hungary 2017 - Little Owl [Owls of Hungary]



Great Britain 2018 - Barn Owl



Cuba 2019 - Stygian Owl





**Gibraltar 2020 - Eurasian Scops Owl**



**Lithuania 2020 - Boreal Owl**



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There are plenty of owl stamps to choose from. Owls are a popular sub-theme amongst the stamp issuing authorities.