

Journey of an Old King from Serengeti

An old king from Serengeti is a symbolic name of lion also known as King of the Beasts, roamed widely in Serengeti National Park, Tanzania, Africa.

This exhibit demonstrate about an old lion sharing life long experience story whom regarded as a king in his pride in Serengeti to the new cub born in the zoo.

The Scope of the Exhibit

This story is about lions. The history of lion, physical characteristics of lion, habitats and social community of lion, threats to lion, contribution and influence of lion in human world, some aspect not directly related to lion as animal but it is still use lion as a term and the last is trial to protect the lion.

Treatment and Plan

The storyline is subdivided into 10 major sections and each subject is a continuance to the next. Each section is functionally of equal importance and every attempt was made to address that equality in their development. Some aspects were quite difficult to display in a thematic manner and more abstract methods were used to develop the story fully.

Thematic development

The lion is a well-known theme; this exhibit demonstrates a story approach as well as applying the material in a new way, utilizing the thematic information to its full extent. The most appropriate items are chosen, showing the connection between width and depth in the elaboration of the theme. Personal studies have resulted in new material being included.

Knowledge of subject

The exhibitor was born in August (and based on his zodiac sign, he is also a Leo). Since young, He has been fascinated about lion and read a lot of articles and books including surfing the internet on any articles related to lion, in trying to fully develop this story. Viewer will be exposed to many facts that are important to understand the subject. It has been quite challenging to find suitable elements and mix. It took more than 10 years trying to acquire all the material shown here in.

The presentation

The presentation of the exhibit is also part of the development and treatment. The thematic text connects and explains the thematic qualification of the items and gives appropriate thematic information.

- This font is used for thematic text and
- This font is used for philatelic text

Recent development

This exhibit was last exhibited in 2014. More than 30 philatelic items have been included or replaced from thereon.

Serengeti National Park is located in Tanzania (before named as Tanganyika), a British colony



*** 1954, OFFICIAL ovpt
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Philatelic importance

A wide range of philatelic material is shown. Priority is given to highest philatelic importance; world status rarity and high importance philatelic items (Original artworks, essays, proofs and varieties); important postal history items (covers and other postal documents), philatelic studies are included when appropriate, and are blended with thematic development.

Rarity

Uncommon items are shown besides other necessary important items that are more related in trying to find the elements that are suitable for the story line. There are some rare items on display, most notably is the original artist drawing stamp of the biggest denomination five Rupees, Uganda Protectorate, issued on 1896, shown on page 28. Other items include those original drawings, essays, dating back to the 19th and 20th centuries. All world status rarity and high importance rarity items were marked with **BOLD OUTLINE** on display. Degree of rarity items are marked referring to their philatelic status and importance, based on records alternatively on own experience or knowledge with :

- **** : World status rarity or regarded as top rarity
- *** : High importance rarity
- ** : Moderate importance rarity
- * : Importance rarity

EXHIBIT PLAN

Title and plan	Total Pages		Total Pages
	1	6.3 Research object	
		6.4 Learning the history from scientist	
		6.5 Looking to the stars	
		6.6 Starting a new family	
1 Flashback, sweet memory of homeland	8	7 First lesson to my son, lion has inspire the world	12
1.1 Lying down on the grass with my family		7.1 Pretender to the throne	
1.2 Remembering my homeland		7.2 Lion dance	
1.3 The little lion cub		7.3 Fables and stories	
1.4 Growing up		7.4 Mythology	
1.5 My family		7.5 Bible	
		7.6 Expression in human world	
2 Self learning in my homeland	9	8 Second lesson to my son, human like us, they used lion as a symbol	15
2.1 I am different from my daughter		8.1 Government	
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2.3 Discovering more about my talent		8.3 Peace	
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3 Feel the power	9	8.5 Commercial	
3.1 My hunting experience		8.6 Sport	
3.2 Different role of duties and obligations			
3.3 Process to be a king			
4 The glory of the king is not permanent	9	9 Third lesson to my son, lion is a charming entertainer	5
4.1 The crowning glory		9.1 Zoo point of interest	
4.2 The king's job		9.2 Circus star	
4.3 The king's privilage		9.3 Film star and film industry icon	
4.4 Threat to the king		9.4 Safari park main attraction	
4.5 Disaster coming		9.5 Cartoon / animation actor	
5 New experience, join the circus	12	10 Fourth lesson to my son, human loves lion, they protect us	4
5.1 Learning to be entertainer		10.1 Education	
5.2 Preparing for the world tour		10.2 World Widelife Fund for Nature (WWF)	
5.3 Traveling around the world		10.3 Global campaign endangered species	
5.4 The best achievement		10.4 The development of national park	
5.5 Injuries			
6 Stay in the zoo	12	TOTAL	96
6.1 Hey, there are a lot of kind lions in zoo			
6.2 Also have a new "real lion" friends			

1.1 Lying down on the grass with my family

One evening, I lay down on the green surface ...



*** Mozambique Company 1937, imperforate plate proof print of 45 c, block of 16 with punch hole control and printing number, signed with approval note of vignette plate and color

I am now an old lion ...



Germany (West) advertisement postage meter, type Francotyp "A", double circle town mark, oval font value without impression counter number. used 25.3.1966

... with a big and dark mane ...



2005, perf. 123%

... and live happily with my royal family



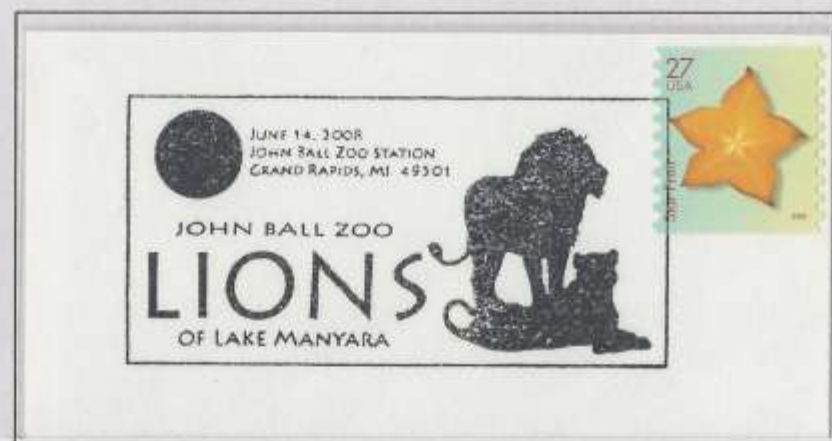
Zaire 1982, imperforate progressive proof yellow + magenta



Netherlands advertisement postage meter, type Francotyp-postalia "M55", used 8.2.1999

FLASHBACK, SWEET MEMORY OF HOMETLAND

... in the zoo with my queen ...



USA 2008, pictorial rubber commemorative cancellation to promote lions of lake Manyara (Tanzania) in John Ball Zoo



issued 1993, ovpt Rotary in 1996

... I talk to my son and share my experiences

"What you see now is only HALF SIDE of my life"

My handsome prince, a young cub born in the zoo ...



1981, lithography, perf. 14

... with no experience of living in the wild



* Iraq 2002, variation, freak on stamp, a piece of paper covered on the stamp paper at printing process, so the color did not print partially on stamp

Son, I was once a KING IN SERENGETI !!

Here is the story of an old king from Serengeti...

1.2 Remembering my homeland - Serengeti Africa

The Serengeti is a savannah located in Africa. This area is famous place with a lot of a different animals living together



The story began here, a place I was born in ...

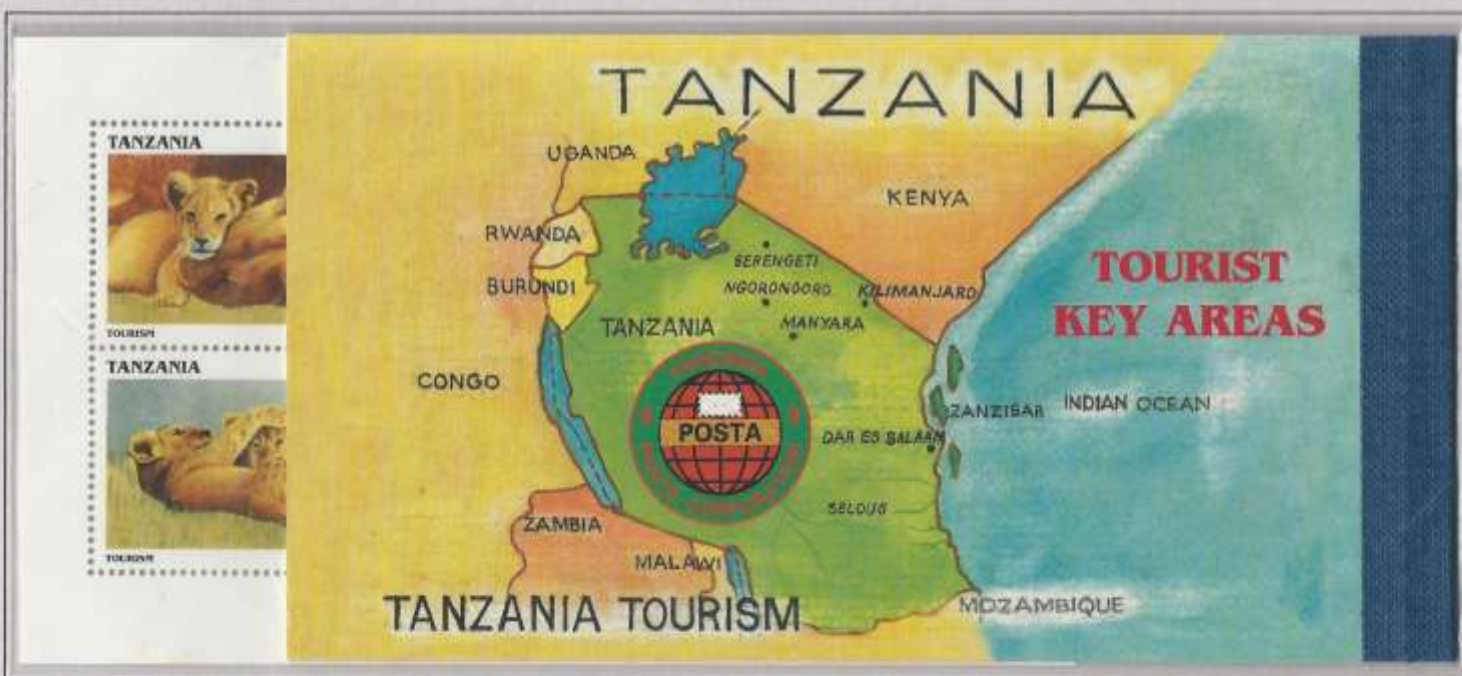


Tanzania 1988, imperforate proof on thick paper, face value 5sh instead of issued stamp 7sh

... the Serengeti hosts the largest migration in the world



Tanzania 1993, adopted original drawing for issuing stamp, Zebra migration on Serengeti National Park Watercolor on cardboard, with acetate overlay for lettering. **UNIQUE**



The Serengeti ecosystem is a geographical region located in north-western Tanzania and up to south-western Kenya ...

Tanzania 1999, prestige booklet featuring map of Serengeti and surroundings

Zebra, ...

... Buffalo, ...



1960 inverted CONGO ovpt on Congo Belgium 1959

... Oryx, ...



... and Antelope are some of the commonly found large mammals in the region which are all the lion's preys



Issue stamp

1.2 Remembering my homeland - The pride

Lions are the only cats that live in family groups. The lion's social group is called a pride

The pride usually consists of approximately five or six related females ...

... their cubs of both sexes ...

... and one male ...

... or two males (known as a coalition if more than one) ...



Stamp Booklet 8 x 900/=

TANZANIA TOURIST ATTRACTION SERIES

a series of four self adhesive stamps composed of:
 MOUNT KILIMANJARO KIBO PEAK - value 500/=
 PEMBA FLOATING ISLAND - value 700/=
 GIRAFFES - value 800/=
 LIONS PONDER - value 900/=

stamp size: 40 x 30 mm landscape

Designer: Paul Peter Ndembo, Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania
 Printer: QeSD, Vienna, Austria

issued 2011 / The first self adhesive stamps of TANZANIA POST



900/=



900/=

Tanzania 2011, peel and stick booklet, the first self adhesive stamp of Tanzania



Ghana 2004, imperforate



The pride provides protection for the young lions, ...

Each pride stays in its own area of land, called as territory. In a territory, there is enough prey to feed the entire pride



Zaire 1982, imperforate progressive color proof cyan + yellow

The males associated with a pride tend to stay on the fringes, patrolling their territory



... who mate with the adult females...



OFFICIAL ovpt. for official usage

but may increase to four and decrease again over time



Hungary 1997, Specimen applied with no place and date round cancellation

... individual insurance against injury and hunger...

... and maintenance and protection the territory



German Reich 1916, PTPO stationery 7½ Pfennig Germania stamp imprint for local usage



*** USA 1931, registered cover with lion fancy cancel sent from Lanessville, Ill. 17.3.1931 to Bridgeport, Conn. 19.3.1931 ONLY 2 TYPE FANCY CANCEL FROM USA DEPICTING LION

1.2 Remembering my homeland - Dominant male

A strong band of male lions may keep control of a pride for four years or more ...

... but a group of two or three lions is lucky to last two years

Male lion leads the pride

...This is just long enough to raised one generation of cubs



1974, issue stamp, offset perf. 11



1992, pictorial tab



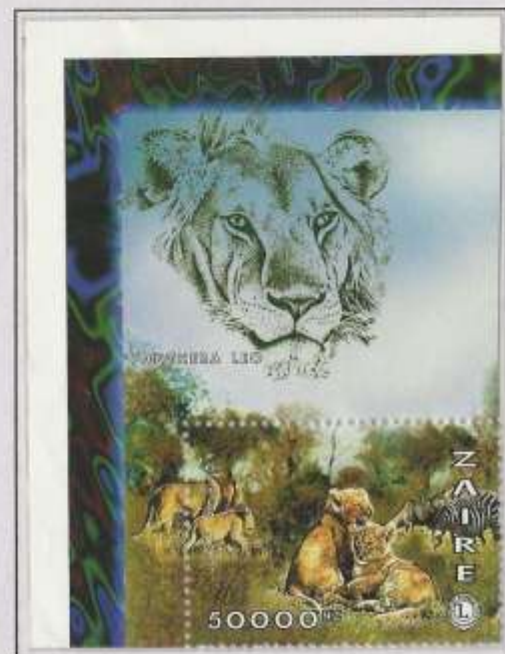
*** USA 1930, registered cover with lion fancy cancel sent from Red Lion, Pa. 13.3.1930 to Highland, Ind. 18.3.1930
At that time, in the USA stamps were not permitted to be cancelled by date-stamps. The post office heads created their own "killer stamps" including cork stamps with carved pictures

For male lions the most important thing in life is fathering the cubs



1960, Official overprint for official usage

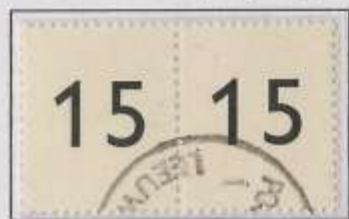
If a new male takes over a pride, he wants the lioness to raise his cubs. Not the cub fathered by the males he has just defeated. He gets rid of the cubs by killing them



**** DPR Korea 1974, adopted original drawing for issuing 90 jon stamp, watercolor on cardboard. UNIQUE

1.3 The little lion cub - I was born

At that time,
my mother after more than
fifteen weeks of pregnancy...



Netherlands, number TEST STAMP
with Leeuwarden Postkantoor cancel

I was born with 2 sisters



in another times I played
with my sister ...



1999, lithography, perf. 14

Sometimes my father keep watching on me when I was playing outside



Tanzania 1980, wildlife definitive series
printed on die A and die B, separate by gutter pair. Second printed on 1982

... gave birth to me. Welcome to the world !!!!



Germany 1953, commemorative pictorial postmark,
promoting 75 Years Leipzig Zoo with lion's cub pictorial

My mother did not integrate ourselves back
into the pride
before we were six to eight weeks old.

... when my mother and older families
were hunting outside...



1983, imperforate

There are usually two or three cubs in a litter,
but there can be as few as one or as many as six



Guinea 1977,
Color proof in Yellow



Guinea 1977,
Color proof in Cyan



Guinea 1977,
Color proof in Magenta



Guinea 1977,
Progressive proof, combine
color Cyan, Magenta



Guinea 1977,
Progressive proof, combine
color Cyan, Magenta,
Yellow



Guinea 1977,
Color proof in Black

... jus quite close to
our thicket or den ...



1979, lithography, perf. 14
First issue

When I was young, I had light brown coats
with brownish-black spots on our bodies
and legs, almost like leopard



1978, photogravure, perf. 14

1.3 The little lion cub - In the litter

When my mother sensed danger, she moved me and my sisters from the den to a safer place. She carried us in her mouth, holding us by the scruff of our neck



1993, lithography, perf. 14

While my mother was hunting, I stayed behind in our well-hidden den, or shelter



Great Britain advertisement postage meter with inscription LIONS DEN. Type Pitney Bowes A900. Rectangular franking with GREAT BRITAIN at left and vertical POSTAGE PAID at right. Double circular date, first use in 1991. Used 19.3.2001

My mother moved us to a new den site several times a month, carrying us one by one by the nape of our neck ...



1998, lithography, perf. 13 x 12½

... to prevent scent from building up at a single den site ...



Comoro Island 1999, lithography, perf. 14

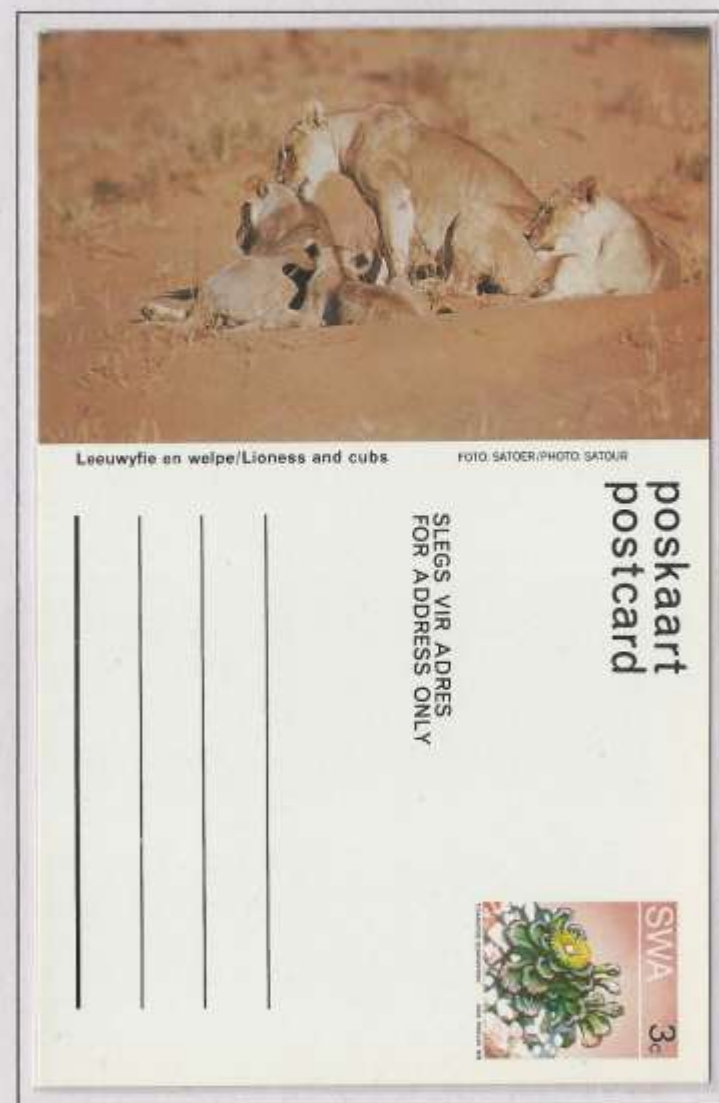
... and thus avoiding the attention of predators that may harm us



1993, perf. 14½ x 14 issued for Namibia Nature Foundation

For instance, lionesses in a pride often synchronize their reproductive cycles so that they cooperate in the raising and suckling of the young (once the cubs are past the initial stage of isolation with their mother) ...

Lion cubs are born in groups called litters. More than half the cubs will not live to become adults



South West Africa 1973, 3 cent imprint stationery card for domestic usage



India 1999, maximum card with 3.00R lion stamp. Postcard photo by Joanna van Gruiven

... who suckle indiscriminately from any or all of the nursing females in the pride



1.4 Growing up

When first introduced to the rest of the pride, I initially lack confidence when confronted with adult lions other than our mother ...



1993, lithography, perf. 13
Print design without margin
(from souvenir sheet)



1993, lithography, perf. 13
Print design with margin
(from full sheet)

... However, I soon begin to immerse myself in the pride life, playing with other cubs ...



1998, Imperforate

... or attempting to initiate play with the adults

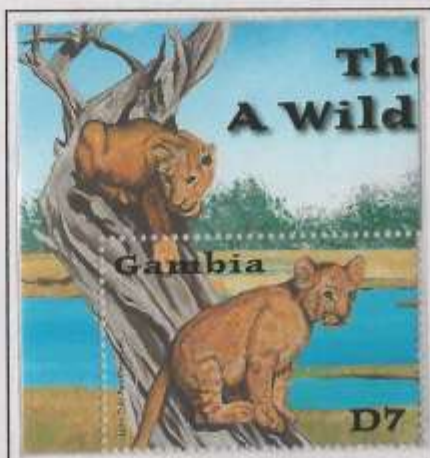


2002, lithography, Imperforate

Lionesses with cubs of their own are more likely to be tolerant of another lioness's cubs than lionesses without cub



1995, perf. 14



2001, Issue stamp
Text The Gambia Wildlife Paradise

Male lions are fierce creatures, but they can be remarkably gentle with cubs



GENERAL MANAGER
INDIA SECURITY PRESS, NASIK ROAD

If some females are not hunting, they will take care of the cubs



1995, lithography, perf. 14

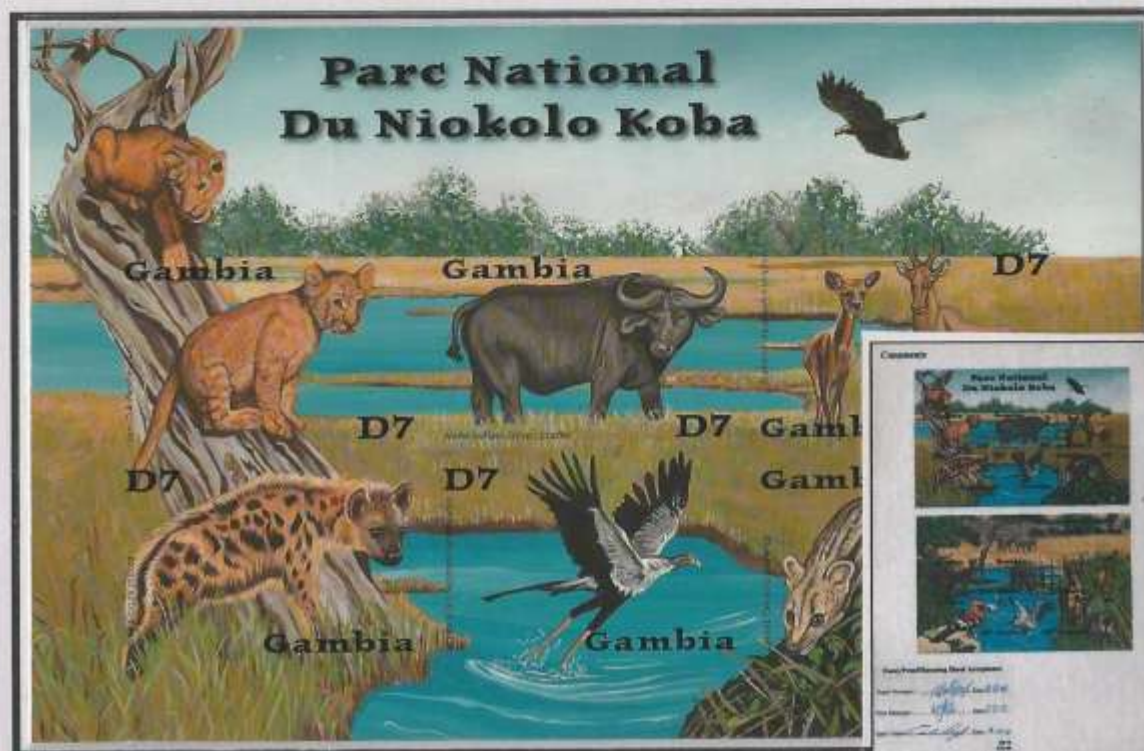
When danger comes, my father will also come to protect us



1965, MAURICE FIEVET
(name designer) below design

**
India 1999 un-adopted original drawing
Watercolor on heavy paper,
signed by General Manager of India
Security Press

it was very fun to play with other cubs, while watching the neighborhoods



Gambia 2001, imperforate printer's proof on thick paper for approval from Printer's archive
Text Parc National Du Niokolo Koba, different with issuing sheet (The Gambia Wildlife Paradise)

1.5 My Family

My family consist of my parents, my sister and also my aunts and cousins



Rwanda 1972, progressive proof imperforate 80 F stamp with color gradation chart

At three years of age, my young sister old enough to mate and have cubs of her own



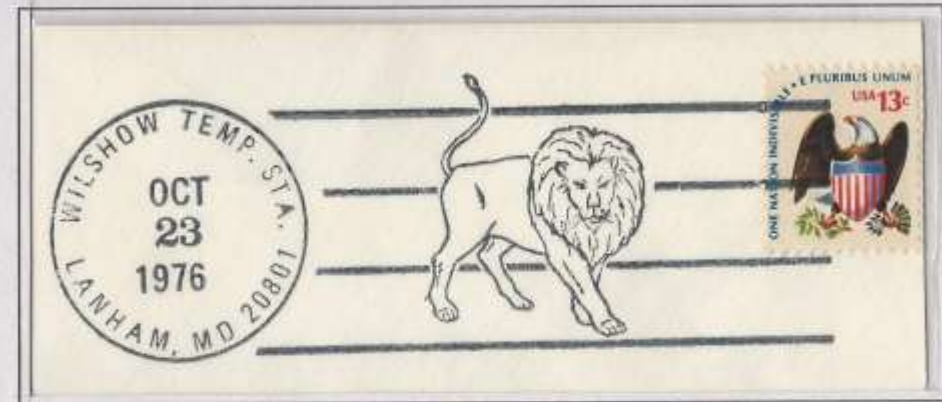
1981, lithography, perf. 14, Composite se-tenant pair

My mane starts growing at ages of two ...



1995, perf. 14

... I was recognized by the color of my mane ...



USA 1976, Pictorial rubber postmark, depicting young male lion

The color of mane very important for a young lion like me. We, the young lions can be easily recognized by our mane's color.

... and my sister was recognized by black spot on her ears



South Africa essay, un-adopted proposed design for Omnibus issued, laser color printed



Zaire 1982, imperforate Progressive color proof cyan and black

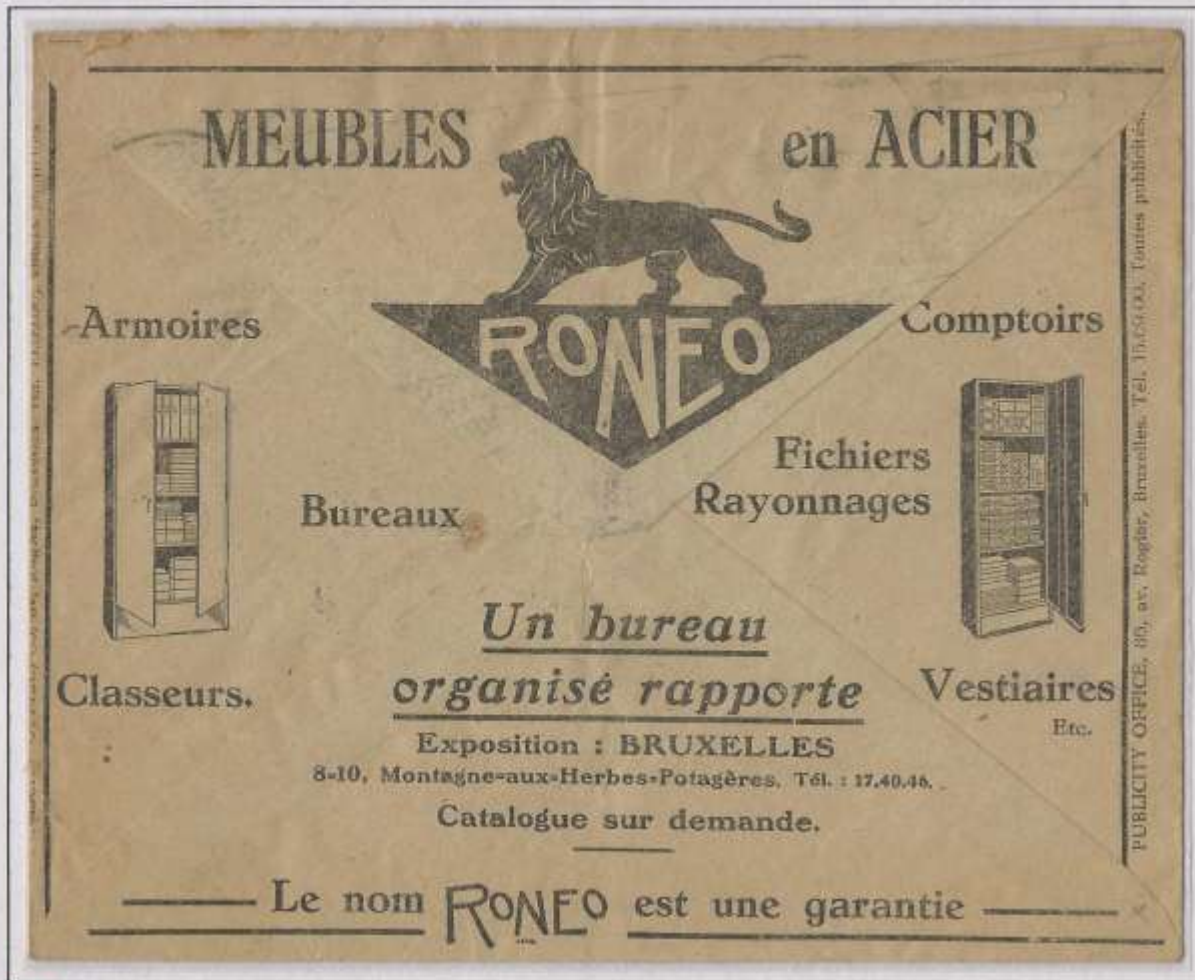
My young sister usually stays with our own pride, with our mother, aunts, cousins, and sisters



Zaire 1982, imperforate Progressive color proof yellow and magenta

2.1 I am different from my daughter - Body

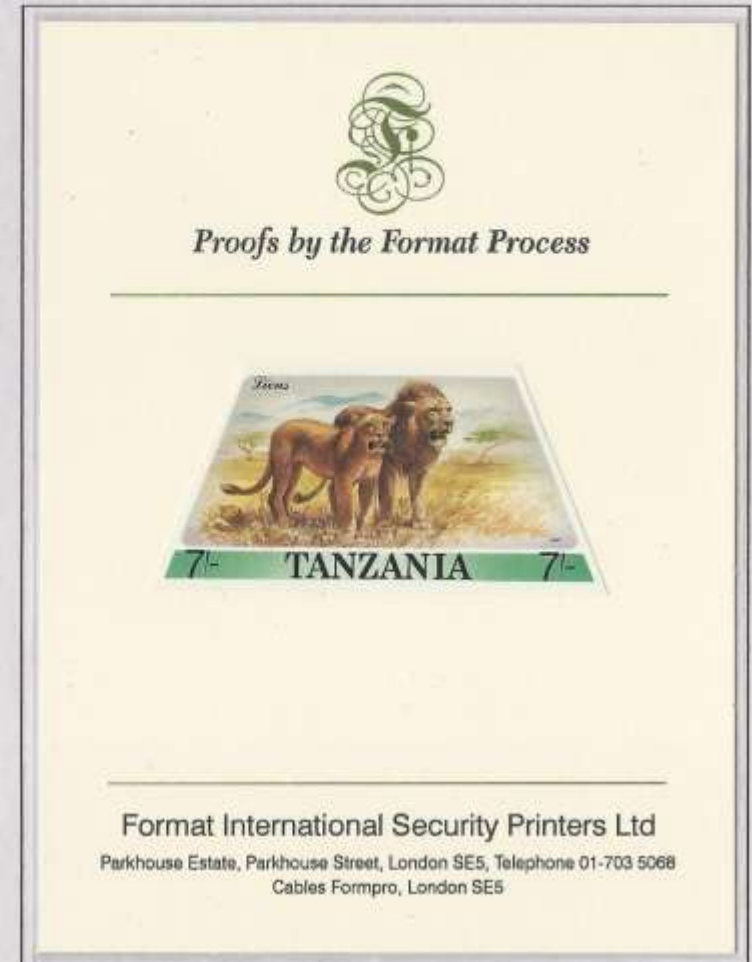
Visually, I, as a male lion, am highly distinctive and can be easily recognized by the mane



** Belgium postage free advertising official cover from check bureau, used 19.11.1932

SELF LEARNING IN MY HOMELAND

The male lions can reach a length of 2.50 m and a height of 1.20 m at the shoulder. The females are somewhat smaller with a length of 1.70 m and a height of 1.05 m at the shoulder



** Tanzania 1987, presentation card for seeking allowance to produce the stamp by Format International Security Printers

Lions tend to vary in size depending on their environment and area

my relatives lion in Southern Africa tend to be about 5 percent heavier ...

... than those in Central and East Africa, in general



1993, lithography, perf 14½ x 14



1975, photogravure, perf. 13



1976, EMPIRE CENTRAFICAINE ovpt.



Sweden 1972, Pictorial rubber commemorative postmark

The weight is between 150 to 250 kg for the males and 120-180 kg for the females



1961, un-watermark, photogravure, granite paper, perf. 11½



1964, Variety, overprint black with missing overprint silver block color



1964, Variety, shifted ovpt silver block color, with missing ovpt black color



1964, Variety, overprint silver block color, with shifted overprint black color



1964, Variety, inverted overprint black color

2.1 I am different from my daughter - Mane

Only adult male lions have manes

I have a large, bushy mane that makes me look bigger than I actually am



*** Bavarian 2 Pfennig advertisement stationery cover, imprinted on private order, local mail Köln 1895



** Tanzania 1993, presentation proof from agency printer международная книга Moscow. This proof use different paper and different perforation (11 x 11) compare to normal issuing stamp



**** 1978, Essay Artist's mock up using Polaroid photo of object with overlay for lettering and marginal designs. Value of issued stamp and marginal design were changed

I have long hairy mane ...



2000, Lithography, perf. 13¼

Female lion doesn't have mane



1978, Issue stamp, different value and marginal design

... it makes me appear larger ...



... and provides an excellent intimidating display



2011, pictorial margin, die A



1993, Issue stamp, perf. 12 x 12½

The mane helps us attract females and scare other males away. The mane may also protect my face and neck when fighting

The mane of the adult male lion, the most unique among cats, it is one of the most distinctive characteristics of the species



1965, engrave, Trial color proof in brown

2.2 I have similarity too - Teeth

We have 30 teeth... ... shaped perfectly for killing prey and tearing flesh from the bone



diagonal SPECIMEN overprint in red with small punch hole



1996, lithography, perf. 12½ x 12

The differently shaped teeth are designed for purposes like holding, killing, and cutting



*** Italy 1940, advertisement postage meter with cachet depicting lion open the mouth showing the teeth. Type Francktyp "C". Spacing 77-79mm between centers of date and value figures. Special greater border: Simulated perforations. Used 24.9.1940

We can open our jaws up to 65 degrees, it means that we can bite a chunk of meat that is big enough. The scissor like carnassials in the cheeks can shear through the flesh. The small teeth at the front of my mouth nip small pieces of meat off bones



1999, lithography, perf. 14¼

Our teeth are well adapted for killing the preys and eating them. The great canine teeth are spaced in such a way that we can slip between the cervical vertebrae of their favorite-sized prey animals, and sever the spinal cord.

The sharp canine teeth at the front are functioned like daggers that kill prey



1993, lithography, perf. 14



1983, Issue stamp photogravure, perf. 13



Limited issue with WWF logo



Burundi 1983, adopted original drawing for 2 F issuing stamp, watercolor on cardboard. UNIQUE

2.2 I have similarity too - Coat and coloration

Our coat is well designed for stealth. Blending in with the grasses stalking our prey, we are able to use the element of surprise in subduing unsuspecting creatures

SOUTH 1^d SUID-
AFRICA AFRIKA



POSSEEL POSTAGE 1^d
INKOMSTE REVENUE



South Africa 1954,
stamp size original drawing
of un-issued stamp

Lion coloration varies from light
buff to yellowish, reddish, or
dark ochraceous brown



1962, engrave, perf. 12½ x 12

We looks invisible,
especially in savannah,
because our coat
has similar color
to the dried grass on savannah



1989, perf. 14½ x 14, pictorial margin

South Africa 1954, original drawing un-issued stamp, watercolor on paper

2.2 I have similarity too - Power of leg

Powerful muscles in our chest and front legs give us tremendous strength



South Africa 1996 stamp booklet, consist 5 stamps for airmail postcard rate, no watermark, perf.14

We can easily knock down - and hold down - animals that are three times bigger than their size such as gnu



1999, proof imperforate

The paws are particularly large and equipped with long claws, used as hooks to hold the preys

See the powerful muscle of my legs ...

We make great use of the force from legs when hunting ...



*** Bayern 5 Pfennig proof imperforate stamp in green color watermarked thin paper



Variation, shifted black color to right. See the different position of lion

... a combination of team work and power of our legs, makes hunting bigger animals easier ...

... making use of the blows from our paws to knock down and weaken the prey



1989, perf. 14½ x 14



Mozambique 1972, 2\$50c imprinted stationery aerogramme Diorama in the Museum Alvaro de Castro, depicting Lion attacking buffalo using their powerful leg



** Mali 1975, Trial color proof in color combination 14

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2.3 Discovering more about my talent - Jumping

Usually we jump to catch the prey ...



2001, Lithography, perf. 12

... after the prey goes down; we use the deadly bite over the neck

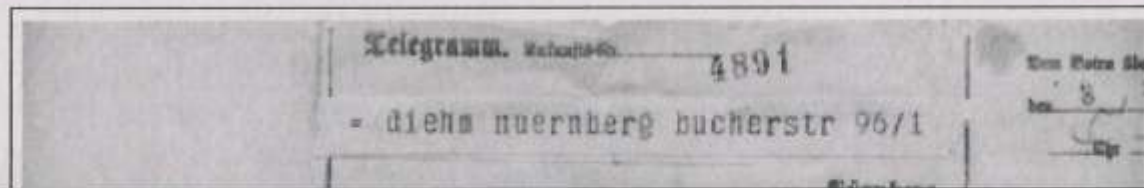


Male and female lion has the same power of jumping



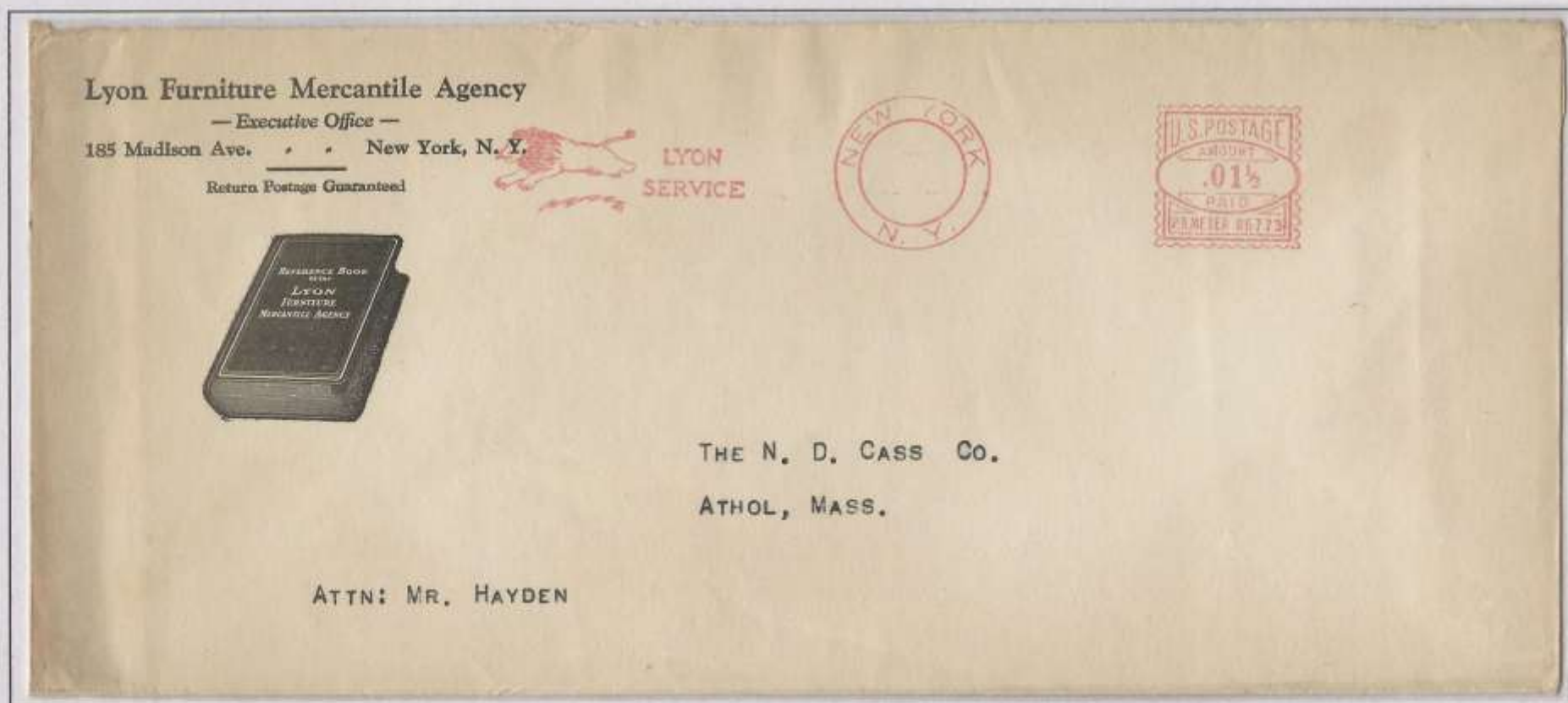
1997, specimen, perf. 11½

Strong muscles and tendons in our rear legs provide power for jumping



1921, Germany advertising telegram, sent from Nurnberg

We are too heavy to be the best jumpers in the cat's family, but we can still jump great distances



USA 1950, advertisement postage meter with cachet depicting jumping lion. Type Pitney Bowes DC3 machine series 6000. Simulated perforations Advertising cover sent from New York to Athol (Massachusetts), 1½ cent for domestic printed matter letter rate

2.3 Discovering more about my talent - Roaring

The roar of an adult lion ...



Great Britain advertisement postage meter, type Pitney Bowes "CV", used 17.6.1936



Specimen with control punch hole

... can be heard up to 5 km away

We roar to help to keep together the members of pride



We roar to protect the territory



Trial color proof



Trial color proof



Specimen

We have the loudest roar among the big cats

If a male lion wins a duel against other male lion, he will roar loudly to celebrate his victory



Bayern 1918 essay original drawing for Bavarian Bayern Stamp, designed by Prof. O. Hupp, October 1918



P.R. China 2001 peony 60 fen imprinted stationery card



1969, un-watermark, perf. 14½

We also roar to keep intruders like cheetah away from our kingdoms



1965, photogravure

2.3 Discovering more about my talent - Running

We are not the fastest animal in the world

... but still capable of making short bursts of speed up to 50 km per hour ...

The fastest animal in the world is Cheetah



Specimen with punch control hole



... we are not always successful in catching our intended victim ...



France 1967 specimen advertisement postage meter, Type Secap "N". Simulated perforations. Straight-line town mark (used by SPECIMEN) stacked below the frank

Lioness walking in the grass and preparing to run ...



South Africa 1d inland stationery card, up-rated 7d for 8d international airmail, sent from Johannesburg South Africa to Natharya Israel, 12.9.1953

... hunting strategy in group is the most successful factor in catching the prey, not speed of running ...

... some animals bolt and dash quickly out of reach ...



** Proof with punch control hole



** Proof with punch control hole



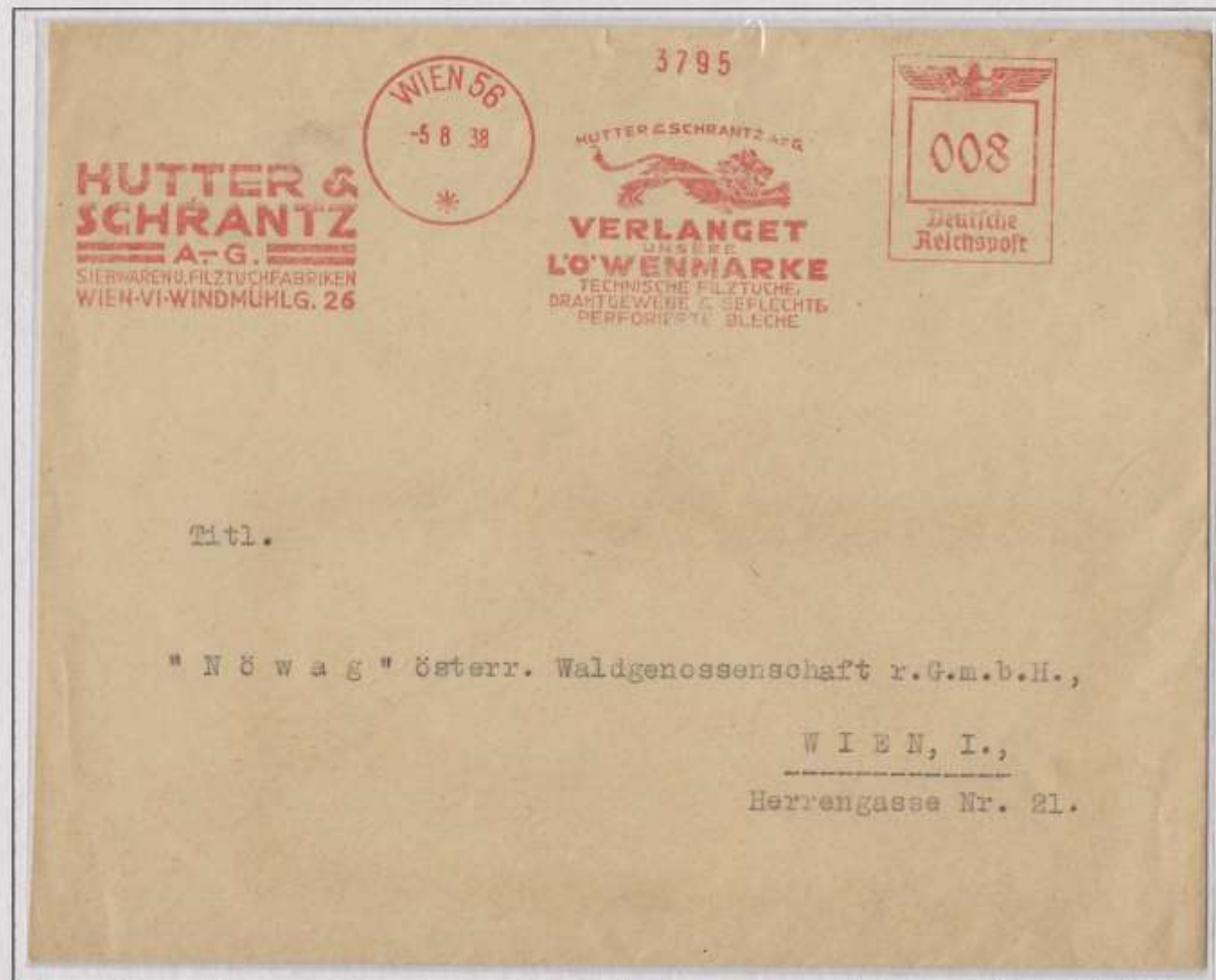
1982, lithography, perf. 13½

... our lack of stamina makes me incapable of long, hard pursuits ...

... and we must take a rest for a while to recover



1979, lithography, perf. 12 17



** Germany advertisement postage meter, Type Francotyp "C". with impression counter between TM and frank. Used 5.8.1938

2.3 Discovering more about my talent - Emotional expression

We usually combine our fierce face with roaring to scare the intruder



** Kenya 1966, presentation card for seeking allowance to produce the issuing 20sh stamp by Harrison and sons limited

... first sign, we only open our mouth a little with a slow roar ...



1995, perf. 13 x 12½

... if the intruder is not afraid, we will start increasing level of roaring ...



1999, perf. 14

... by opening our mouth bigger



1988, perf. 12½ x 13

When we are in anger, with our loud roaring, our face becomes very scary and somewhat intimidating



USA 1996, pictorial commemorative rubber cancellation, depicting anger scary lion

In opposite, when we are watching a prey, our face looks very calm ...



2001, pictorial margin, perf. 13¾

... we focus on our eyesight. Looks like a serious lion



1978, perf. 14½



1980, perf. 14½ x 14

Formerly Rhodesia. The Republic of Zimbabwe was established April 18, 1980

When we call our children, we roar with no face of hatred



**** Guinea 1975, adopted original drawing for issuing 10s stamp Acrylic on cardboard. **UNIQUE**

We have a strong bond with our children.

Our love is reflected by a calm expression



1996, perf. 13 x 12½



1995, lithography, perf. 13



Guinea 1975, Progressive proof of issue stamp

3.1 My hunting experience - Diet

We are the top predator in our environment

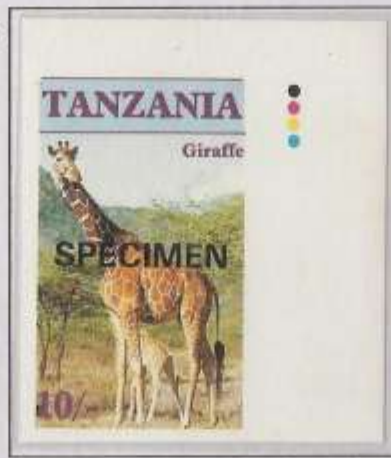


1976, lithography

We will eat pangolin or giraffe, and most anything between their size



1989, perf. 14½ x 14



1986 lithography, specimen imperforate

... impala ...



** Ruanda-Urundi 1959, when Burundi established as independent country, ovpt in 1962
Error on Second Row Overprint on the Middle Stamp, "Royaume" instead of "Burundi"

... kudu ...



** French Equatorial Africa 1957, Color trial proof for 3 basic colors, in the sequence :
(1) Black, (2) Blue, (3) Brown, and (4) combining 3 colors, Black, Blue and Brown

... oryx ...

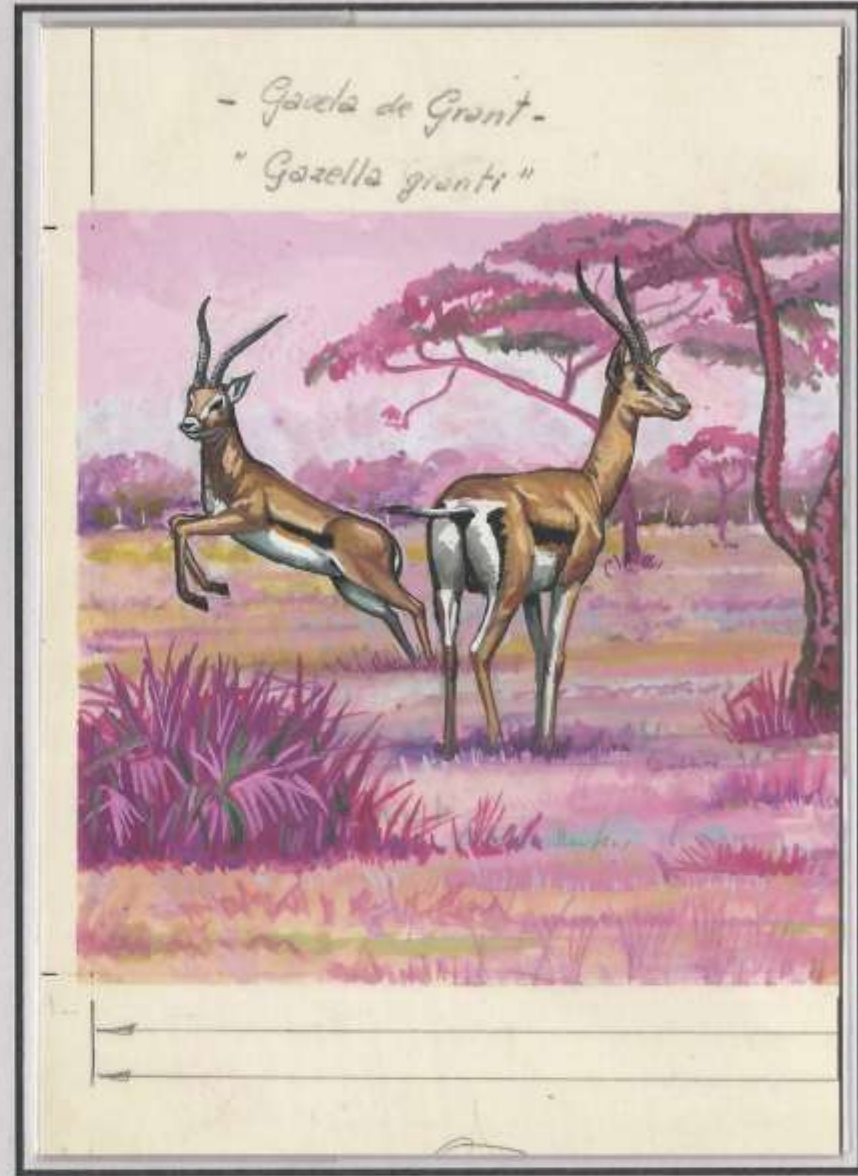


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SLEGS VIR ADRES
FOR ADDRESS ONLY

*** South West Africa 1980, proof 5 c Oryx inland stationery card, wide margin on the right side, designed by Paul Bosman

We have preferred prey, though. Their everyday diet consist of Gazelle, ...



**** Burundi 1971, adopted original drawing of 3F Gazelle stamp, watercolor on cardboard. **UNIQUE**



1971, Issue stamp

... and zebra, which are common species that are large enough to feed a group of hungry hunters like us, yet not big enough to exhaust or endanger our lives



3.1 My hunting experience - Hunting technique

... we are watching patiently on the ground in the savannah, a group of antelopes, which attract our attention ...



1953, perf. 14 x 13½



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1975, Czechoslovakia pictorial roll cancellation, depicting antelope, used 27.8.1975

... and the lioness also watching our prey patiently ...



1991, lithography, perf. 14

... we walk slowly through different ways to get closer to our prey ...



... and finally we can catch and kill our prey

... we have to be close to our prey before starting the attack ...

... the lioness stalk as close to their prey as they can, until about 20 meters and then launch an attack ...



2001, Lithography, perf. 12

... in other direction, we intercept our prey to surprise them ...



1982, lithography, perf. 14

If our prey just a baby, it sometimes walk alone and is not aware of our presence ...



2004, lithography, perf. 14½

... we can easily get close to them and catch them



1987, lithography, perf. 12½



perf. 13½ horizontal only from booklet

After we eat our prey, we take a rest for a while



2001, lithography, airmail rate = 1.90 Rand



1932, registered cover with advertisement postage meter, sent from Semarang Netherlands Indies 27.4.32 via New York 31.5.1932 to Toronto 2.6.1932. Rating surface 15 c and registered fee 20 c. Correct postage payment. Type Francotyp "C", horizontal shield-shaped frank with concave sides superimposed by smaller shields containing "Ct". "NED-INDIE" at top, post horn at bottom. With 4-digit impression counter number high between TM and frank. Serie no 32 advertising Koffiebranderij De Leeuw, first use on 20.11.1931

3.1 My hunting experience - Hunting technique

The lionesses do the most of the hunting. Often the lionesses hunt together. Several of them lie in wait downwind of a herd, while another one goes around the herd to the upwind side



When we join the hunting, we wait in the other side, surrounding the prey ...



SWA 1990, Pictorial cancellation, replacement of permanent date-stamp Okaukuejo camp, in Etosha Game reserve

Our target is a group of zebras



Hungary 1997, Specimen applied with no place and date round cancellation

Typically, several lion work together and encircle the herd from different points ...



... once they have got close to a herd, they usually target the closest prey ...



... the attack is short and powerful; they attempt to catch the victim with a fast rush and final leap ...



1996, lithography, perf. 14

... suddenly she breaks cover and chases the frightened zebras towards the other lionesses waiting in ambush



1995, South Africa non denominated imprinted zebra stamp aerogramme for international mailing rate

3.1 My hunting experience - Feeding

Several lionesses work together and encircle the herd from different points ...



1996, lithography, perf. 14

... on sudden break, the prey running fast ...



1969, Muster (Specimen) ovpt

... the attack is short and powerful; they attempt to catch the victim with a fast rush and final leap ...



1996, lithography, perf. 14

... the prey usually is killed by strangulation, which can cause cerebral ischemia or asphyxia (which results in hypoxemic, or "general," hypoxia) ...

... if one prey is down, we will just let the other prey gone ...



2001, Lithography, perf. 12

... we guard our prey from the intruders ...



My strong teeth can tear the meat easily

... all of us start surrounding the dead body of prey ...



... I roar a loud to call my relatives in pride ...



... they came to join the party together...



1996, lithography, perf. 14



*** 1944, East Africa airgraph sent to New Port UK 13 March 1944

In 1941 the GPO introduced the Airgraph Service for messages between servicemen and civilians. The message was written onto a special form that was then given an identification number and photographed onto microfilm. The miniature photographic negative was flown to its destination. Sending 1600 airgraphs on microfilm weighed just 5 ounces compared to 50 pounds for the same number of letters. The original was retained by PO so that if they were shot down the message could be resent. The original was eventually destroyed

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Italia 1921 Busta lettera Postale, sent from Roma to Milano
BLP-Italy letter card authorized by Royal Decree to raise fund to aid of invalid soldier
Issued and sold at 5c below the value of pre-stamp
The balance was financed by advertisers promoting their products or services herein



2000, lithography, perf. 13 1/4

Male lion eat first; and then followed the lioness and the cub eat latest

One big prey like zebra can fulfill all the pride's hunger

3.1 My hunting experience - Grooming and resting

After satisfying our hunger with a good meal, we settle down to clean, or groom, our self with our tongue



*** South West Africa (SWA) 1979.
proof of stationery card,
The proof paper is thicker than issued card

the most common peaceful tactile gestures are head rubbing and social licking, which have been compared with grooming in primates



1999, photogravure, perf. 13¼ x 13



1994, issue stamp

Madagascar 1994 original final artwork, watercolor on poster board with acetate overlay for lettering. Signature by BOTO Ferdinan, Le Directeur General A djoint, attached with monochrome proof of stamp and official seal.
UNIQUE



1996, lithography, perf. 14

Sometimes we like resting in bough trees



2001, lithography, perf. 14

We can sleep over the tree

Our rough tongue is covered with small horny spikes called papillae. The papillae work like a brush or comb for us to clean our body. The papillae also help us to scrape pieces of meat off bones and lick them clean

or on the stone

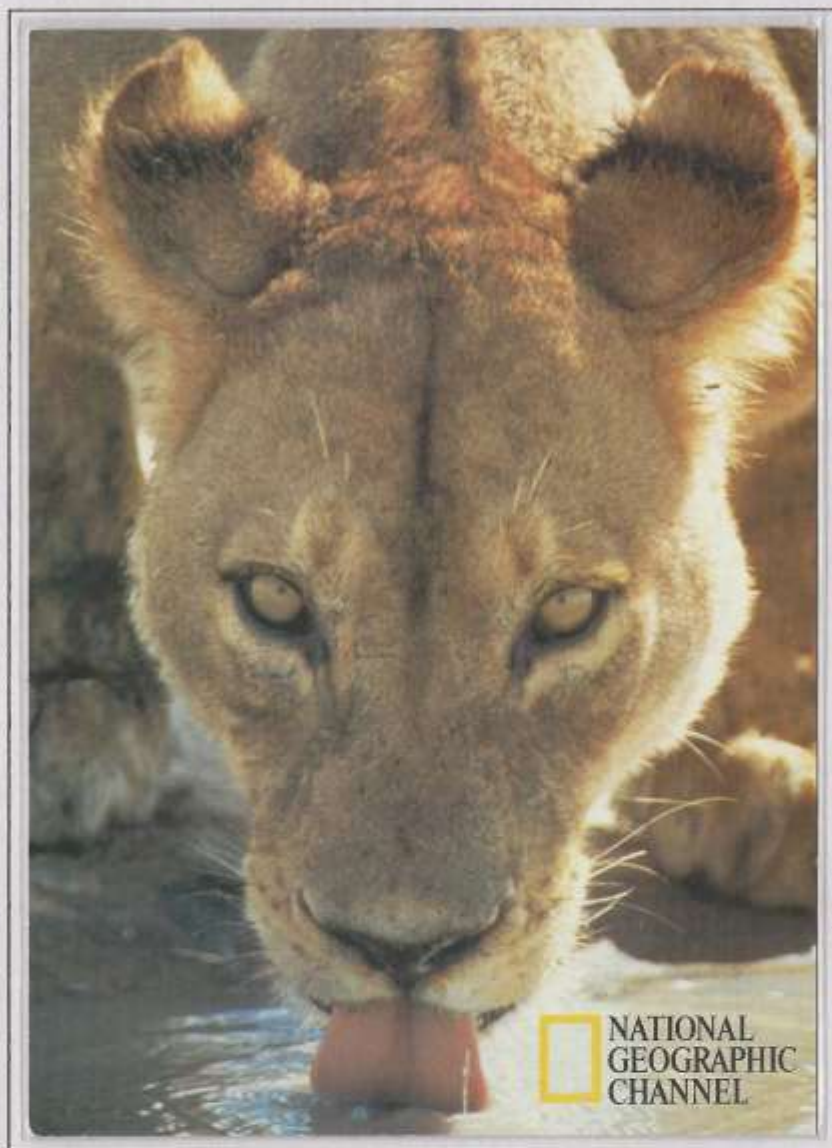


1998, variation, missing horizontal perforation



3.1 My hunting experience - Drinking

If we have access to water, we often drink after a large meal ...



Hungary 1999 27 Ft imprinted stamp stationery card. Photograph by Beverly Joubert

... cub drinking under lioness protection



Corner proof imperforate with cutting guide

River or ponds are the best resources of water



2007, pictorial margin with traffic light marking used to indicate how many colors and in which position this sheet printed on the big sheet plate size. These stamps were printed in 4 basic colors and 1 special color (silver)

Water is needed more than prey ...



... sometimes we live near the ponds, the source of water and the preys ...



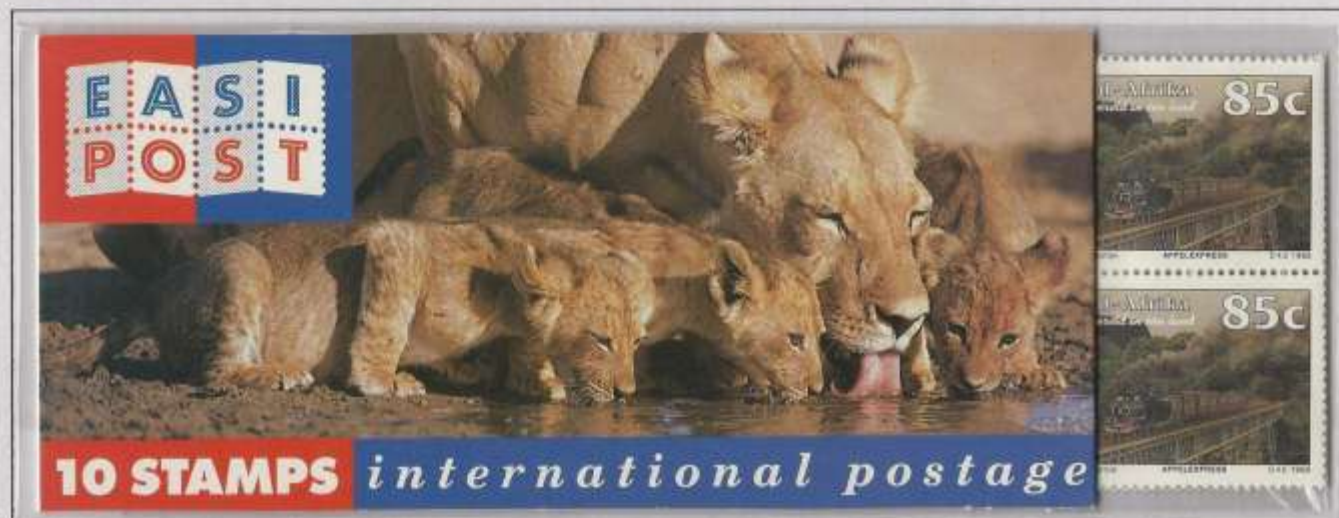
1996, lithography, perf. 14

... and always keep watching for the intruder ...



1987, lithography, perf. 14½

There are some ponds in the area which we live. If our pond is drying, the pride moves to another pond



South Africa 1993 stamp booklet, rates 85 c for postage to South America, Europe, UK and North Africa

... when we are drinking together in the pond



2001, perf. 13¼ x 13½

... in dry areas, we can survive by using the liquid we get from our prey



1980, specimen ovpt in red

3.2 Different role of duties and obligations - My sister female lion (lioness)

Lionesses do the majority of the hunting for their pride ...



1981, 1½c imprinted South Africa inland stationery card, up-rated 1½c sent from Port Elizabeth to Cape Town to cover 3c inland postcard airmail rate



1939, photogravure, surtax for the Leopoldville Zoological Garden

Lioness may stay in the same pride for life. All the female members of a pride are closely related to each other ...



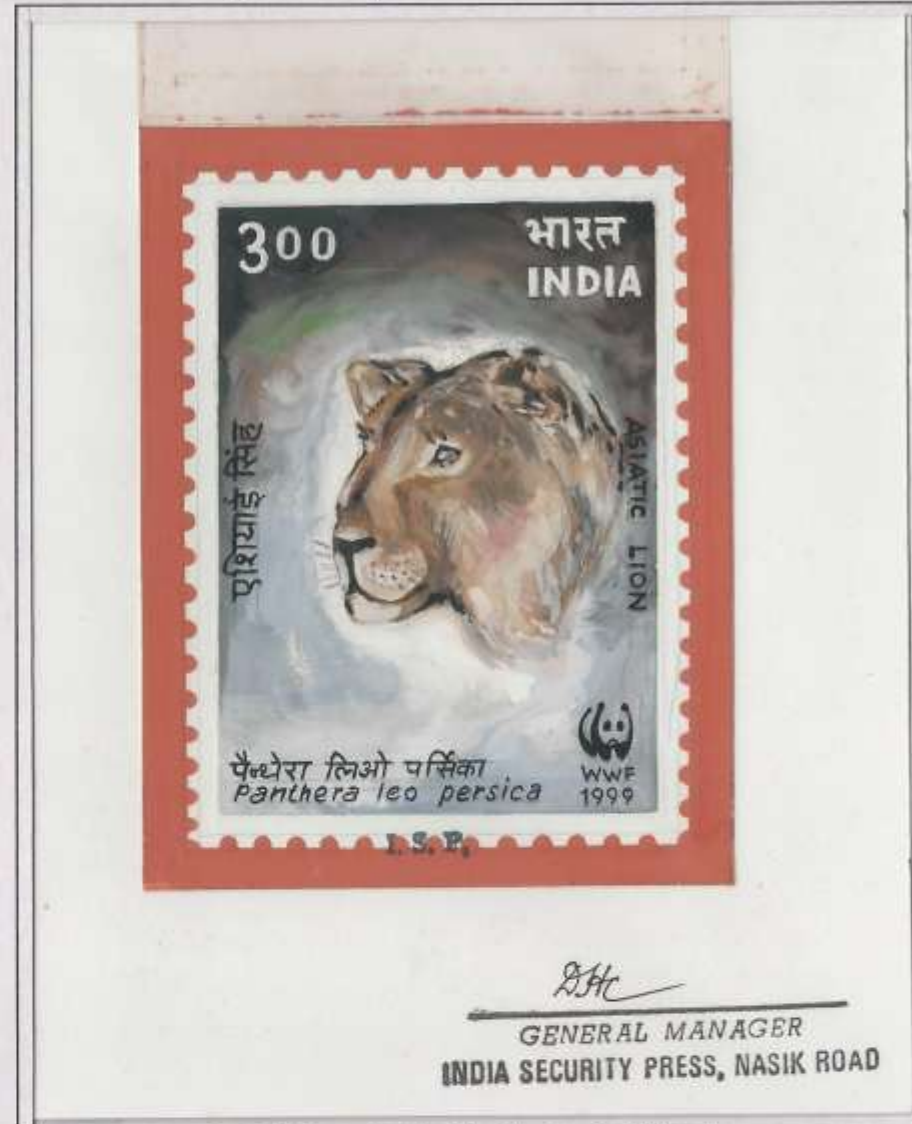
South Africa 1998, issue stamp booklet, consist 10 stamps no value indicator for airmail postcard rate, no watermark, perf. 14

... grand-daughters, aunts, or nieces of the lioness they replace



*** South Africa 1998 proof cover booklet, from Format printing house. Offset on glossy heavy card paper

... as they are smaller, swifter and more agile than the males



** India 1999 un-adopted original drawing for WWF series. Watercolor on heavy paper, signed by General Manager of India Security Press

When the male guard the territory, The females work together to protect and feed all of the cubs in the pride

... since all new members are daughters ...



2005, perf. 13¼ x 12¼



3.2 Different role of duties and obligations - Male lion

Visually, the male lion is highly distinctive and is easily recognized by its mane.
 Adult male lion must left his young pride and made his own new pride by attacking
 another pride leader using his power and superiority
 The lion, particularly the face of the male,
 is one of the most widely recognized animal symbols in human culture



Czechoslovakia use the male lion,
 white bohemian lion
 as symbol of freedom, power and superiority

*This stamps designed by J. Obrovsky
 to commemorate
 first anniversary of independence*



** 1919, proof, on thick paper, In brown red color



1919, issue stamp
 In blue color



1919, issue stamp
 In brown color



1919, issue stamp
 In olive green color



**
 Proof perf. 13½
 in deep blue color



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in light black



**
 Proof perf. 13½
 in light brown color



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in green



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in brown ochre



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in black, thin paper



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in deep blue



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in black, yellowish paper



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in olive sepia



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in dull blue



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in reddish violet



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in black, thick paper



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in black



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in silver



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in black



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in dull purple



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in carmine



**
 Trial color imperforate
 in black, yellowish paper



Trial print
 on waste printing paper



Variation 1
 interrupted comma



Variation 2
 uninterrupted comma



Trial print
 on waste printing paper

3.3 Process to be a king - Fight to beat the old leader

Now it is
a show time !!!!
I am now
adult lion
and feel
strong enough,
and will fight
to beat
the old leader...



** 1959, engrave, imperforate color trial proof in strip of 5 (Brown-Green-Brown-Green- combination Brown and Green)

Color Trials are stamps issued on gummed sheet form and are printed by the same plates (dies) as are used for the issued stamps.

Color Trials exist only for engraved issues, are printed in full sheets and are usually printed in up to three different colors or shades, plus combination of colors. For stamps printed in two colors and in sheets of 25, the color combinations will usually be as follows:

The first four rows are monocolored (each row in a different basic color), first and third row: color 1; second and fourth row: color 2; The fifth row shows combinations of the two colors

... the supremacy challenge begun ...



1964, lithograph, issue stamp

Burundi 1964, adopted original drawing, watercolor on cardboard. **UNIQUE**

... to be a leader,
I must beat the old leader ...



1984, lithography, perf. 13

... now,
after beat
the old leader
in the pride,
finally
I became
A KING !!



2000, Netherlands advertisement postage meter, used 13.04.2000

Type Hasler "Mailmaster" (MV), 1978. Horizontal rectangle with complete outer frame line
Small post horns in lower corners with meter number between. M# with "HR" prefix, 4000 and up

4.1 The crowning glory - I am a king

THE GLORY OF THE KING IS NOT PERMANENT

Now it is time
for my crowning glory



2002, self-adhesive,
die cut perf. 12 syncopated

The Kings / Queens of England
have been using me
to symbolize
his / her power and supremacy
as a KING / QUEEN



1911, progressive die proof on thick
paper, Downey head die 1A

King George V (Reign 1910 - 1936)
used lying lion
to symbolize the power

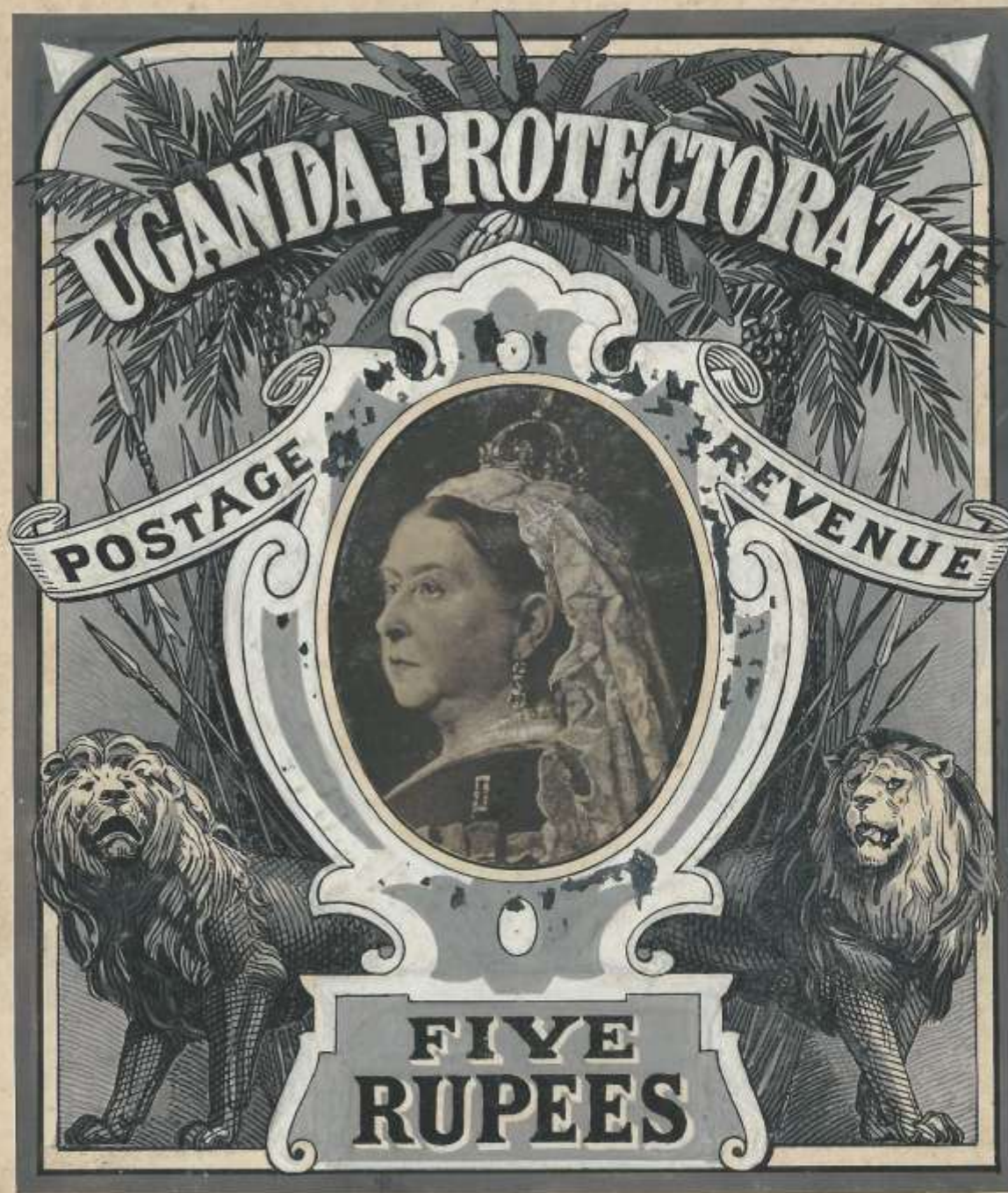


1911, Hentchel zink essay,
unissued 2 1/2 d value



**
1896, engrave, perf. 14
printed by De La Rue & Co
specimen of issue stamp

After being the leader of the pride, I am crowned as a KING in our pride with our rights and obligations



Uganda Protectorate 1896 adopted original drawing, watercolor on cardboard. **UNIQUE**

Queen Victoria (Reign 1837 - 1901) used two lions to symbolize the power

4.2 The king's job - Protecting the pride and prepare our next generation

As a KING, like in the other kingdoms, I have a group to lead with some specialized job



Great Britain 1840 specimen mulready lettersheet one Penny (e)
Stereo A78, hand-stamped "SPECIMEN" Type 2. **ONLY 13 RECORDED**

The main job of the KING is protecting the area which the pride lives from other intruders ...



Italy 1941, military postcard,
sent from Sasari 152 Infantry Regiment Compagnia 29.5.41 to Milano (Italy)

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1918 essay, Trial color in red



As a KING, I
mate with all
adult female in
our pride, to
create our own
future heirs
(cubs) ...



1977, photogravure, imperforate proof

... and killing all the old king's
heirs (cubs) ...



1976, photogravure

... who might become the potential threat
for me and my heirs in next few years ...



1954, imperforate proof pair

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... and fighting as a leader to protect the people



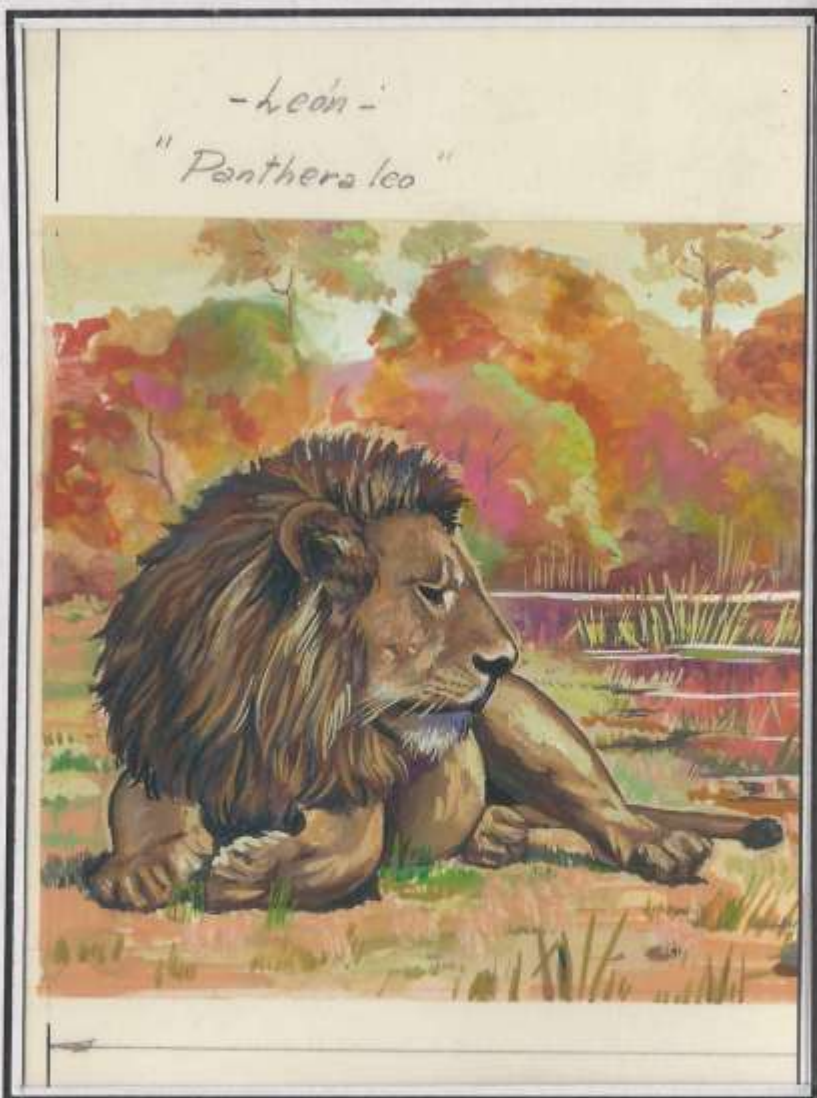
Bavaria Germany 1918 essay, original drawing,
designer Prof. O. Hupp, submitted for peace design Bavarian Bayern stamp

4.3 The king's privilege

In a hot daytime
I as a KING usually take a rest
lay down in a shady area ...



... our facility can be enviable for other solitary male lions
to take over the leadership ...



Burundi 1971 adopted original drawing,
watercolor on cardboard, **UNIQUE**

As a KING of, I have privilege
When the pride members successfully get the prey, the first bite is for the king ...



1947, Commercial cover with advertisement postage meter, sent from Copenhagen
19.5.1947 to Randers, Denmark. Type Francotyp "C", spacing (78-80 mm)
between centers of date and value figures with dotted crown only.
Rating 20 Ore for local inland letter



1971, Issue stamp

... the king eat first, after
that followed the lioness
and the last is cub, eat
the rest ...



Stamp issued 1973, surcharged on 1973
chanaïna denomination and currency name

... I always warns the intruder with our loud roar ...



South Africa 2001 self adhesive stamp booklet, consist 10 stamps no value indicator for domestic airmail postcard rate



1996 pictorial label

4.4 Threat to the king - Shrinkage of habitats

Sometimes we have to retreat and give up areas ...



... as the human population of Africa increases ...



2002, lithography, perf. 13 1/4 x 13 3/4

... they need land for cultivation ...



... farm are springing up along the edge of the park ...

... many people spread along the edge of the park ...



1965, engrave, perf. 13

... people herding livestock along the edges of the park ...



1961, engrave, perf. 13

... and then, we eventually often interact with people and his livestock



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Vietnam 1989, presentation proof from agency printer международная книга Moscow. with some correction note. This proof use different paper and different perforation (11 x 11) compare to normal issuing stamp

The economic development is often not in line with nature conservation. For example, the construction of an oil pipeline across the area of life lion



1975, perf. 13 3/4, issue stamp

**** Guinea 1975 adopted original drawing, acrylic on cardboard. **UNIQUE**

Hungry lions ...



... sometimes go after the livestock on these farms ...



1996, lithography, perf. 11 3/4

... when they do, they often killed by angry farmers



1972, trial color proof in brown, Imperforate

4.4 Threat to the king - Traditional hunters

The future of lions is in the hands of human beings. Early human hunters in Africa and Asia were armed only with spears. From ancient history, lions hunt was a traditional hobby of the kings. Especially in Iran, Middle East and North Africa

... the king would kill the lion from the chariot with his bow and arrow or with a spear ...

In ancient Assyria also, lion-hunting was a sport reserved for kings ...



1970, lithography, perf. 12½

... these hunts were symbolic of the



1971, lithography, perf. 10½

the prestige of lion hunting was shown in Hercules first labor, the killing of the Nemean lion



* 1981, engrave, imperforate proof semi-postal stamp, surtax for the red cross

That was a history. Now we have a REAL and SERIOUS problem with traditional hunter

They hunt by spears ...



1992, lithography, perf. 13½



Egypt 1964 adopted original drawing, watercolor on heavy cardboard with acrylic overlay. **UNIQUE**



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Egypt 1964 positive film actual size

Ancient Egyptian lion hunts were usually reserved for those in power. These hunts nearly resulted in the extermination of regional lion populations by 1100 BC

Commemorative artwork has been found telling of how during a single hunt, Pharaoh Amenhotep III killed more than 100 lions



1964, photogravure, perf. 11½ x 11 issue stamp

Cattle-herding African peoples, such as the Masai of East Africa, had always hunted lions. Such a hunt was a test of manhood in some cultures

Traditional hunter especially on Africa, still the big treat for our living. They not only hunting our prey, but also hunting us. Now we are the hunter become hunted

... and arrows



1959, engrave, trial color proof imperforate



1947, engrave, imperforate proof



Togo 1941 progressive die proof on thin paper without denomination with approval notation

4.4 Threat to the king - Big game safari hunting

A safari is an overland journey. It usually refers to a trip to Africa, traditionally for a big-game hunt. People arrived from Europe with guns, and the killing of lions became much easier. In North Africa, lions were wiped out entirely ...



... European rifles were far deadlier than African spears, however, and sportsmen could kill dozens of lions in a single hunt



** 1936, cover with slogan cancel applied to promote safari, sent from Abeche Chad 16.2.1936 to Fort Lamy Chad 16.2.1936. Rating for domestic airmail postage 51 centimes. TCHAD PARADIS des CHASSEURS (CHAD PARADISE of HUNTER) on front cover FORT - LAMY Centre de Tourisme CHASSES aux LIONS (FORT-LAMY Tourism center LION HUNT) on back cover

Now I am happy that safari hunting was not allowed, but still any illegal hunter in action ...

Tartarin of Tarascon (French: Tartarin de Tarascon) is an 1872 novel written by the French author Alphonse Daudet



1972, engrave, perf. 13

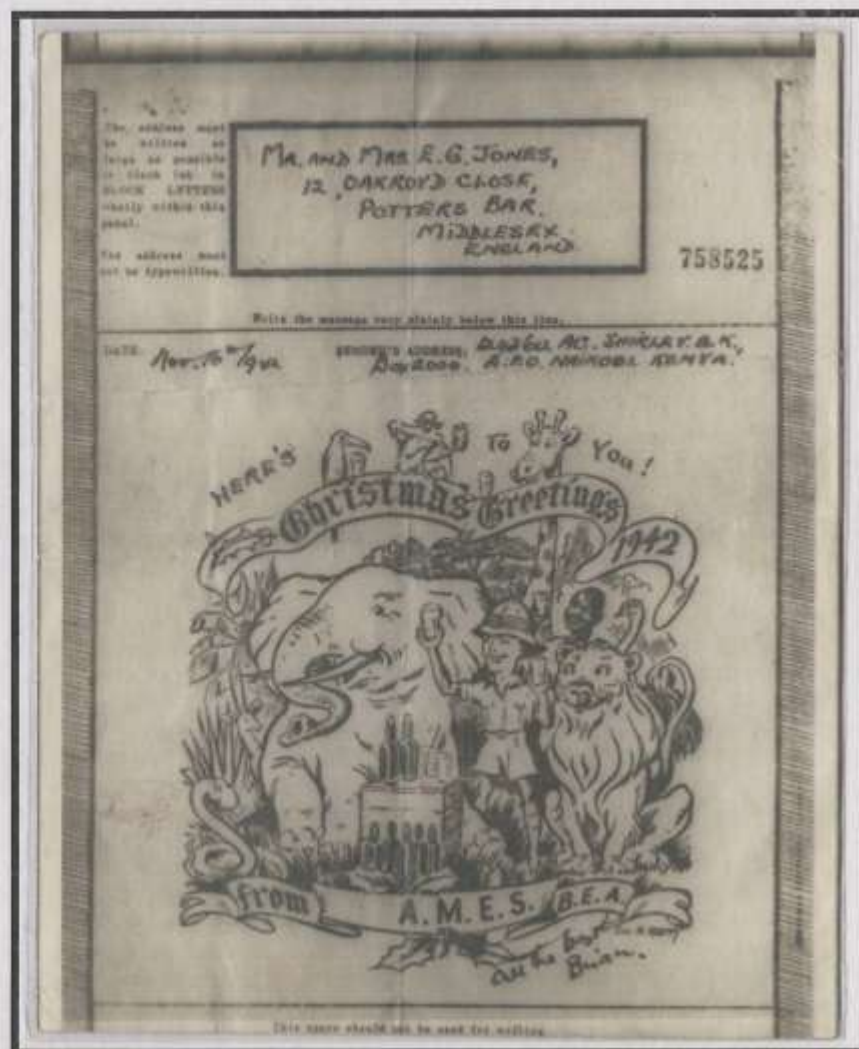


The famous story was related with a safari hunting killed lion



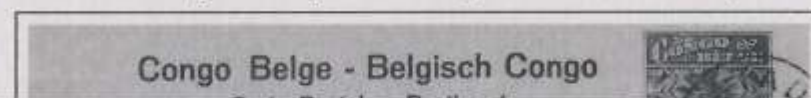
1972, engrave, imperforate trial color proof

... European hunters took pride in killing big game, and lions were among the biggest of their prizes ...



*** 1942, Airgraph, sent from Nairobi Kenya 16.11.1942 to Middlesex England The airgraph service in Nairobi commenced in 15 November 1941

... the illegal hunter just want to fly our skin as a commodity



* Belgian Congo 1939 stationery card 30 centimes imprinted stamp for inland postcard rate

4.4 Threat to the king - Situational predator

Although we are the top predator, it turns out that there are many other predators targeting us, especially our cubs. Even unexpectedly, animals are usually preyed by lions, become lions predator, like zebra and buffalo. They kill our cubs, in a way of butting, stepping the foot, kicking, etc. In other way, some other competition for food animals also became lions' predator by reason of minimizing the competition for food

When our cub alone,
a lot of predator watching
and waiting to kill them



1997, Pictorial tab label

When alone,
Buffalo rarely attack us ...



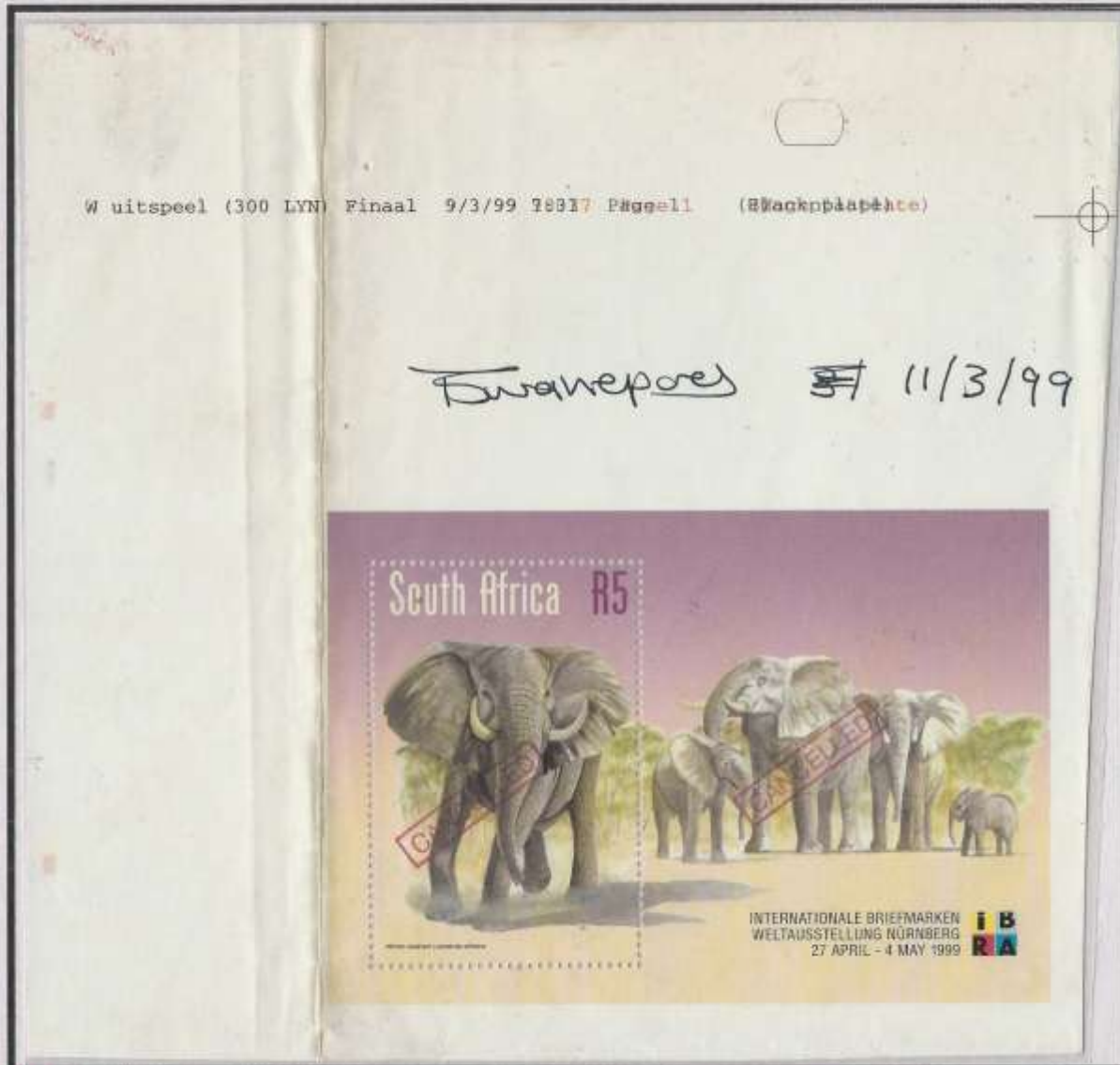
2011, Pictorial corner margin
with traffic light color code

... but when in large groups, they can be very fierce and brave to attack us.
Sometimes they deliberately crash our cubs sheltering in grass



South West Africa 1985 stamp booklet containing 10 stamps for domestic letter rate

Elephant in a large group is the number one destroyer
They do not care about the obstacles in front of them
Often our cubs in the savannah die trampled by an elephant



South Africa 1999, proof print for inspection,
final proof uncut with signature dated 11 March 1999. Applied with "CANCELLED" in the box.
This proof was part of the printers archive for production the sheets

Leopard is one of the group of big cats as well. They used to live alone



1969, New Zealand advertisement postage meter, used 12.11.1969
type Neopost "205/2205", machine# with "J" prefix.
Square frank with herringbone sides and rays in lower corners

Some of their nest
adjacent to the our
den. If our cubs
inadvertently approach
their nest, they will be
attacked and killed to
protect her child



* 1987, lithography, imperforate color proof

Hyena is a cunning animal



1980, lithography

They often attack in a group.
they also kill our cubs to eat
when our cubs are left
unprotected



1993, perf. 14½ x 14

4.4 Threat to the king - Predator competition

Lions, leopards, cheetahs and hyenas all compete for food. Of all competitors on the plains, hyenas are pride's worst enemies ...



1987, lithography

Series of hyena hunting tactical similar to lioness hunting tactic



1997, perf. 13

Hyena steal our meal



1984, perf. 13 1/4

Lions and hyenas roam the same land and hunt the same animals. A large group of hyenas can chase away our pride and steal our meal. Hyenas always hunt in a large group. Hyenas lead by the dominant females of hyena clans



1993, lithography, perf. 14, pictorial corner margin

... we sometimes attack and killed the dominant female's hyena and her children, but we rarely eat them



Lesotho 1984 adopted original mockup, photo proof with paper overlay. This mock up used as design of issued stamp. **UNIQUE**



1984, perf. 13 1/4, issue stamp



Lions, cheetah and leopard feed on the same prey, and are therefore in direct competition with one another



Belgian Congo 1942, imperforate plate proof print of 2F50c, block of 8 with large and small punch hole control and printing number, with note of correction

4.5 Disaster coming - Catching by a net

One day, I heard some people coming with noisy sound ...



1992, lithography, perf. 13½

... then I was ran away to escape from the coming disaster ...



... a big net covered my body. I couldn't run anywhere until some people came and caught me...

... they enter me to the cage and bring me to another place, left all pride members in the savannah



1972, engrave, perf. 13, issue stamp

Esquisse de Tumbou

C. DURRENS

5.1 Learning to be entertainer

NEW EXPERIENCE, JOIN THE CIRCUS

Lion has been a star in circus entertainment all around the world.
Circus became a prestigious entertainment in the 19th century

After being caught, I was trained to perform a variety of attractions in the circus.
It's a different job with the previous I have ever done.
I must adapt and follow the coach's instructions to avoid getting whipped



2002, photogravure, designed by Nobilescu,
pictorial margin depicting lion show (jump through ring of fire) in circus tent

**
Great Britain 1983 unadopted essay,
hand painted by the official designer
Andrew Restall,
stuck onto a perforated stamp



Many attraction used Lion
as a star, including lion
tamer and other lion
performances



2002, lithography

Usually circus was held at the fair,
attracting a lot of visitors

Lion taming is the
training of lions for
entertainment,
particularly in the
circus



2008, photogravure

I was taught by the coach
following various commands,
such as moving from one
place to another



1965, photogravure, imperforate

Sometimes I was imagine
if we swapped positions

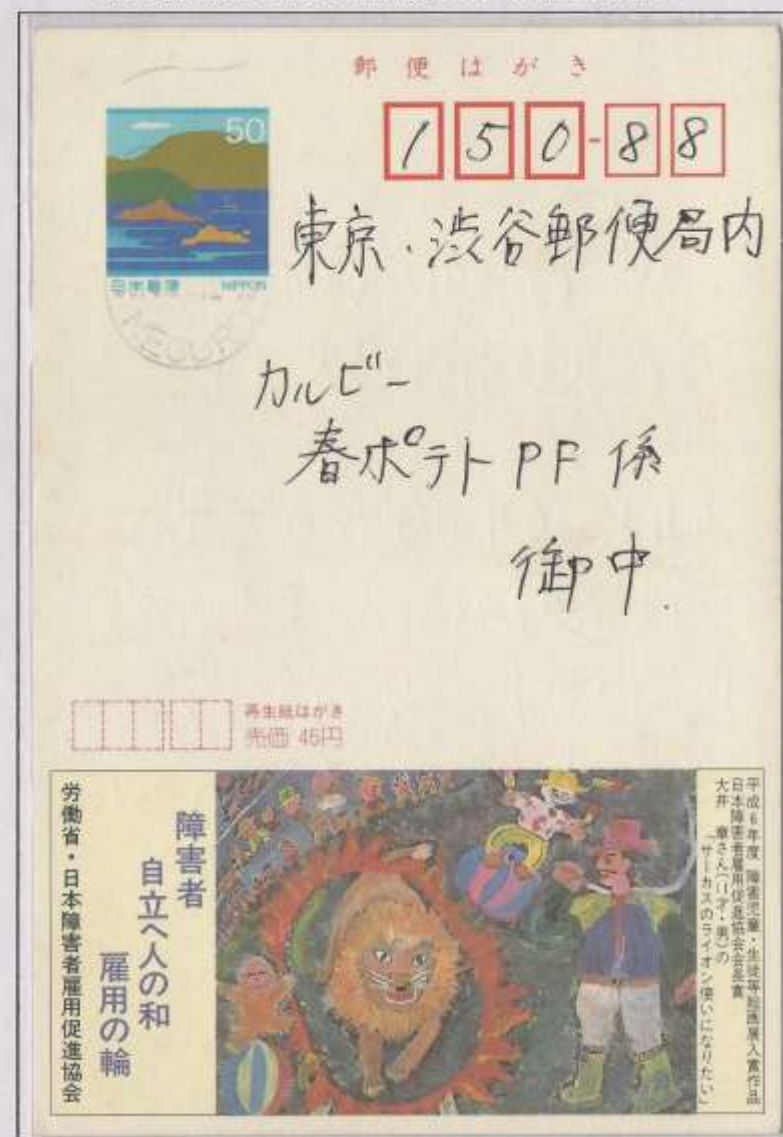


one of the circus show that I was trained is to jump
through ring of fire. A thrilling scene to the audience

in other section, The show of my skill to balance my body on the ball are also interesting.
An exhausting work overall. I felt like to punch the coach



Soviet Union 1969, 4 Kopek imprinted stationery envelope for inland mail, used 23.10.1969



Japan 2003 printed advertisement on 50 Yen stationery card,
Message from Ministry of Labours and Japanese association to facilitate the
hiring of handicapped people. The Picture "I'll be a lion tamer of the circus",
drawn by Mr. Akira Oi, a handicapped 11 years old boy.
Route: Meguro(Tokyo) → Shibuya P.O. (Tokyo)

5.2 Preparing for the world tour

I play in a huge circus group.
There are many highly skilled
circus performer

Our friend Jimmy the clown
keep practicing
sentences and movements
that make us all laugh happy



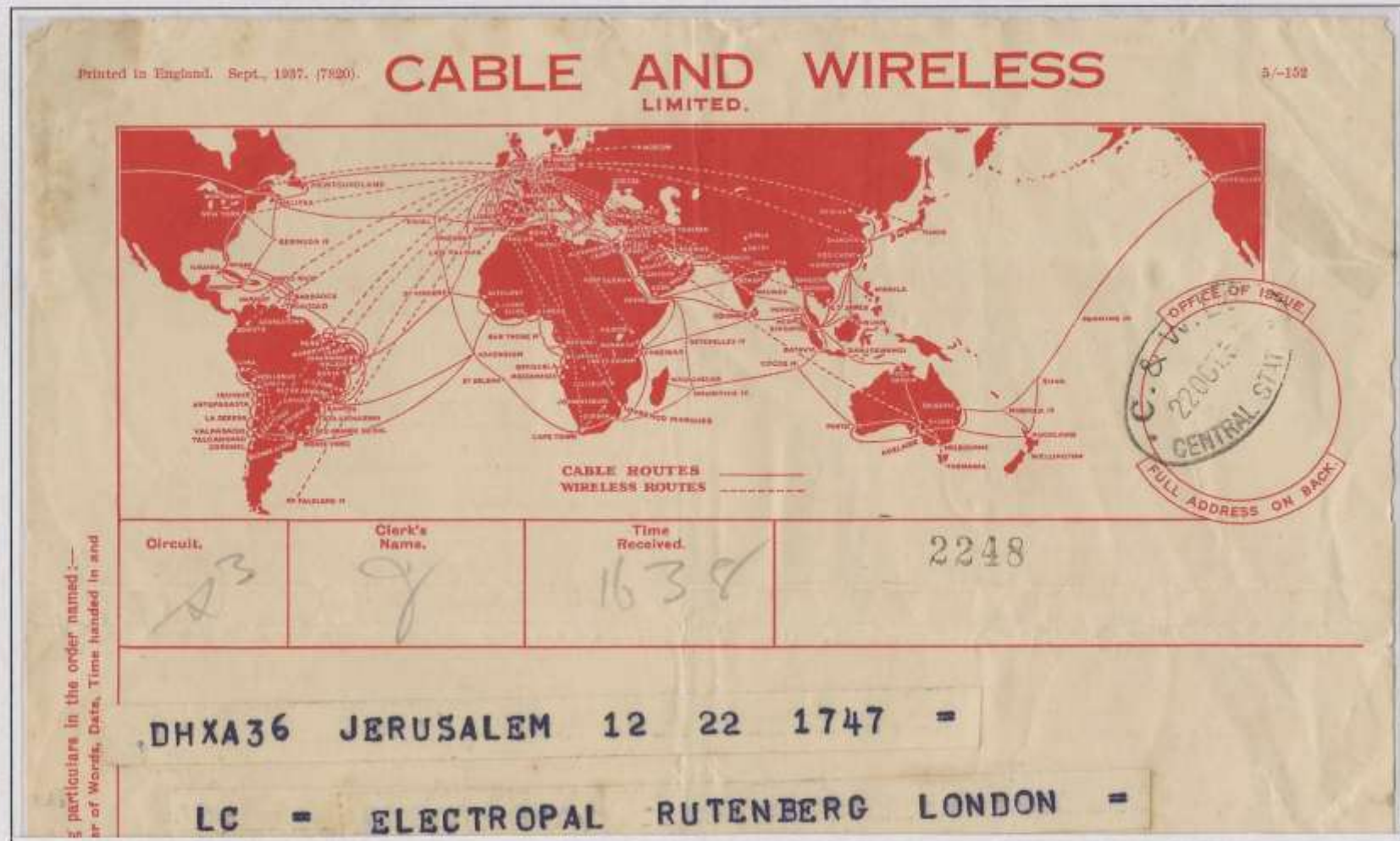
1987, lithography + engrave

We practice activities tamper lion,
we are trying to do
all the coaches told us well



1978, engrave, perf. 13 x 12½

Our circus group planned to hold a world tour. A very ambitious effort. We plan to do a tour to the continent of Asia, Europe and America



1937, telegram from Israel to London, sent by cable & wireless limited 22 October 1937

We all train hard to be able to display the best performance

Herman also training hard
through the ropes
with a wheel.
A thrilling scenes



2002, photogravure, perf. 14½

Jumbo, the elephant also practice
followed all the instructions from the coach
and Bonita practicing for style on a horse
that ran without falling



Australia 1997, lithography, circus parade on pictorial gutter pair



Sweden 1987 stamp booklet contain 6 stamps @2.10 krona for inland letter rate

5.3 Traveling around the world

When we had performance in Eastern part of China, we found Forest of lion at Yellow Mountain. It was a beautiful scenery



We visited Singapore after China, we were very excited because the name *Singapore* was derived from the Malay word *singa* (lion), which itself is derived from the Sanskrit word *siMha* of the same meaning, and the Sanskrit word *pura* (city) ...



USA 1958 advertisement postage meter, use 26.09.1958.
Type Pitney Bowes "R" series, the value box has thirteen small stars at right



First Printing (Sept 1995), no additional imprinted date

In Asia journey, we were sponsored by the Hong Kong Bank. They had the picture of our head as a symbol !!



Hong Kong 1985 prestige booklet commemorate new Hong Kong Bank headquarters

The Merlion (Malay: Singa-Laut) is an imaginary creature with the head of a lion and the body of a fish, used as a mascot of Singapore ...



Second Printing (Dec 1995), with additional imprinted date in the bottom "DEC 1995"

... part lion, part fish - the Merlion perfectly reflects the charming blend of contradictions that is Singapore. Born of legend and lore, it is a presence so uniquely enchanting it's beyond words

From our visitor, we heard that there are some places in Asia called with the same name, LION ROCK. We are very proud to hear it. They called lion rock, because from the distance, it figures our head



1996, lithography, perf. 14 x 14½

Lion Rock, is a famous hill in Hong Kong and is 495m high

Sigiriya (Lion Rock) is an ancient rock fortress and palace ruin, one of the seven World Heritage Sites of Sri Lanka



** 1938, engrave Specimen perforated punch



Singapore 2006, prepaid overseas card, sponsored by Singapore Tourism Board, issued to all Singaporean home hold, valid from 25 Nov 2006 to 5 January 2007 to send overseas, to promote Singapore



5.3 Traveling around the world



1970, photogravure, perf. 13

When I knew that we were going to visit Persia, I was very sad because it reminded me of the story of the ancient kings hunting lions and killing a lot of my ancestors ...

... when we arrived in Persia, our sadness turned into joy, knowing that the lion is used as a symbol of Persian society, even they use it as a design for the first stamps issued in Persia !!!! It is indeed a very high honor



Cliché type 2 (e)



Cliché type 3 (e)



Cliché type 4 (e)



Cliché type 5 (e)

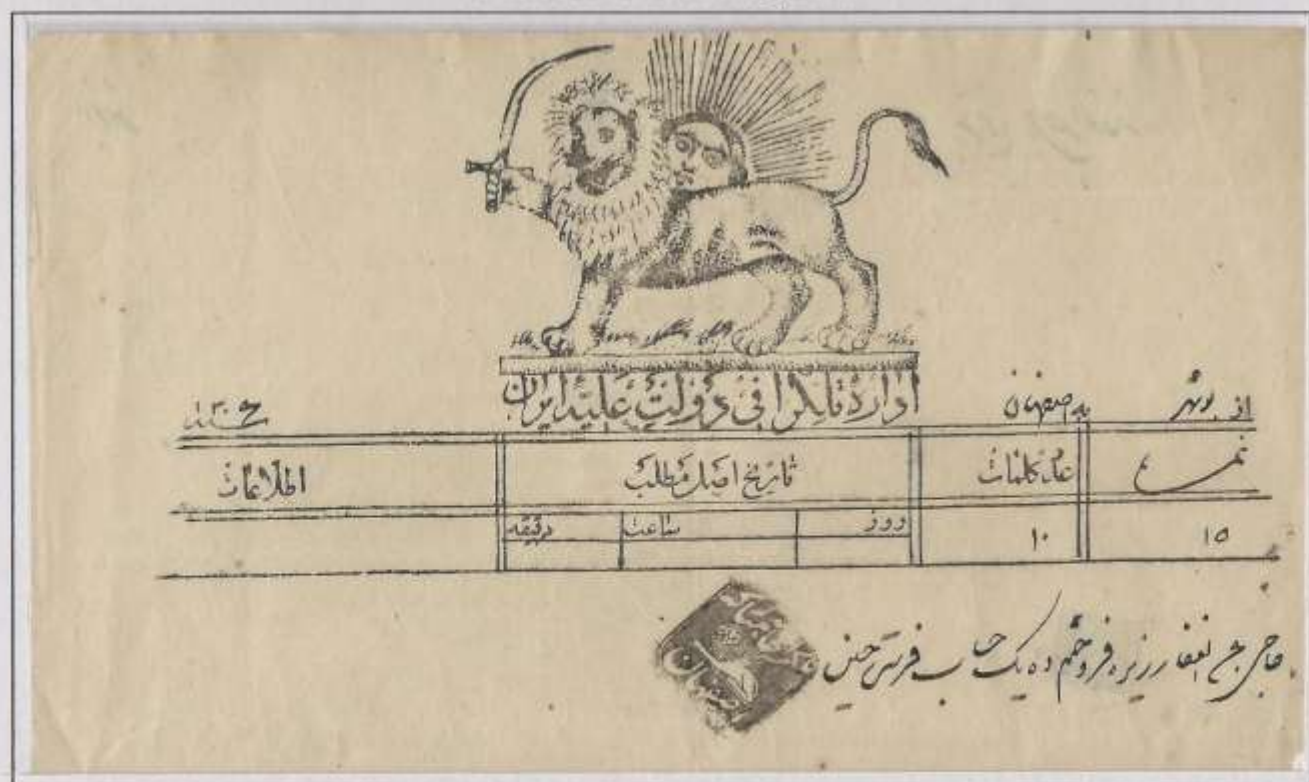
The Lion and Sun (Persian: خورشید و پیرش, Šīr o Xoršīd) is one of the main emblems of Iran. The Persian use it for official government symbol, use in government related document. For example it use as stamp design in a lot of issued ...

From 5 Clichés available, the 1870 1 Shahi stamp only printed from Cliché type 2, 3, 4 and 5. The stamps printed in block of four by means of a hand press and they were then cut into singles by the postal employees and packets of one hundred were made of each value



... It is used on official telegram ...

Persia 1897, prepaid 1 Shahi wrapping newspaper, up-rated with 13 Shahi to pay the rate of register international newspaper sent from Sultanabad Persia 26.9.1897 to Zurich Swiss 4.11.1897



*

Persia 1921, official telegram with lion and sun symbol on top and on the stamp

... and even on watermark security printing paper for stamp !!! ...



Watermark as security printing on stamp paper

On September 4, 1980, the newly proclaimed Islamic Republic of Iran replaced the Red Lion and Sun with the Red Crescent. Though the Red Lion and Sun has now fallen into disuse, Iran has in the past reserved the right to take it up again at any time

5.3 Traveling around the world

When we visited the UK, I felt very lucky. The lion is very well known in the UK, used in several heraldries. Even the lion is regarded as representative of the UK from the British lion designation. In addition, we know there are two English people who have nicknames related to lions, King Richard and Winston Churchill



2001, photogravure, perf. 14¼

Richard I (1157 -1199) was King of England from 1189 to 1199



1970, perf. 14½ x 14

King Richard was well known as Richard "the lion heart"



1928, engrave

the troubadour Bertran de Born called him *Ôc-e-Non (Yes-and-No)*, while some later writers referred to him as Richard the lion heart, *Cœur de Lion*, as he is still known in France



1999, France commemorative cancellation, used 8.4.99 to commemorate 800th year death of Richard the lion heart

Sir Winston Leonard Spencer-Churchill (30 November 1874 - 24 January 1965) was a British politician, best known as Prime Minister of the United Kingdom during the Second World War. At various times a soldier, journalist, author, painter, and politician, Churchill is generally regarded as one of the most important leaders in British and world history



Liberia 1975, adopted original drawing, watercolor on heavy cardboard with lettering overlay, **UNIQUE**

Sir Winston Leonard Spencer-Churchill has Coat of Arms Three Lions



1974, lithography

William Manchester wrote a book "The Last Lion Winston Spenser Churchill" ...



1974, photogravure, specimen ovpt in black

... and in Oxford Dictionary, it states that Winston Churchill was the most LION-HEARTED Statesmen of the 20th century, LIONIZED

5.3 Traveling around the world

In London, I was told that in British Empire Exhibition, Lion was used extensively as a postal marking design and commemorative stamps



*** Omitted horizontal perforation to sheet margin
ONLY 6 RECORDED



** 1924, specimen ovpt
2mm x 14mm



** 1925, specimen ovpt
2mm x 13mm



1924, genuine stamp with
forgery on specimen ovpt



1924, genuine stamp with
forgery on specimen ovpt

The British Empire Exhibition was a colonial exhibition held at Wembley, Middlesex in 1924 and 1925

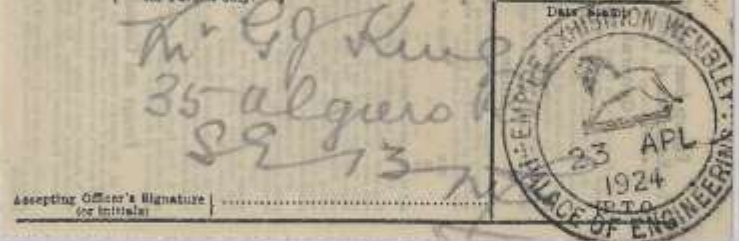


*** 1924, Specimen meter franking machines used in New Zealand Pavilion, machine no 1. Model Universal Postal Frankers Limited



* 1924, registered 3d up-rated imprinted 1 1/2d Empire Exhibition stamp stationery cover, sent from Empire Exhibition Palace of Industry 31 Oct 1924 to Whitehall, England. Special Empire Exhibition postmark applied

Regn. No. Certificate of Posting of a Registered Postal Packet
& Postal Packet addressed as under, upon which a Fee of Three Pence has been paid, in addition to the Postage (if for Foreign only), has been registered and posted here this day:



** 1924, certificate of posting of a registered postal packet showing an EMPIRE EXHIBITION WEMBLEY PALACE OF ENGINEERING 23 APL 1924 "LION" DATESTAMP. (first day of issue)

We have some example of Lion postal marking usage in British Empire Exhibition as follow :

P. No. 22 **INLAND PARCEL POST.**
CERTIFICATE OF POSTING OF AN UNREGISTERED PARCEL.

A Parcel prepaid _____ and addressed as under* has been posted here this day--

Mr G. J. KING,
80, ALGIERS ROAD,
LONDON, S.E.



(Postmaster's Signature.)

* The address should be entered in full by the sender. The Department will accept no responsibility if, in the event of miscarriage, it should be found impossible, owing to the incompleteness of the address furnished, to trace the parcel.

** 1924, certificate of posting of an unregistered parcel showing an EMPIRE EXHIBITION WEMBLEY PALACE OF ENGINEERING 24 JUN 1924 "LION" DATESTAMP

FROM THE
BRITISH EMPIRE EXHIBITION
LONDON 1925



-DELIVER IMMEDIATELY-

* 1925, paid mail rubber hand-stamp for mail prepaid in cash, showing EMPIRE EXHIBITION WEMBLEY PARK GT BRITAIN (1) 1 JY 1925 PAID 8d used in North West District Office

5.3 Traveling around the world

We visited France and made show at Belfort. In this city, we found a big sculpture of lion. the sculpture dominates the local landscape



1974, engrave, trial color proof, (1) orange, (2) violet and (3) green color



1974, perf. 13
Issue stamp in brown color

The Lion of Belfort is a sculpture made by Frédéric Bartholdi, it was finished in 1880 and is entirely made of pink sandstone



France 1959, 1st stage die proof, signed by the engraver J Pheulphin

Frédéric Bartholdi, was a famous architect of the Statue of Liberty in New York, so his work was in no doubt



1934, perf. 13½
specimen with small punch hole control from Waterlow & Sons Printer

Pierre Philippe Marie Aristide Denfert-Rochereau, achieved fame by successfully defending besieged Belfort, this earned him the soubriquet the Lion of Belfort



1970, engrave



1959, engrave, perf. 13
issue stamp
surtax for red cross

The lion monument was built to honor the Siege of Belfort. The lion symbolizes the heroic resistance of Belfort during the Franco-Prussian War

the blocs it is made of were individually sculpted then moved under Belfort castle to be assembled



1915, France non denominated military postcard, free postage, used 11 June 1915



1917, France non denominated military postcard, free postage, used 21 Apr 1917

the sculpture is 22 meters long and 11 meters high



1917, Semi-postal stamp



1919, Surcharge semi-postal stamp

5.3 Traveling around the world

Our circus visited Italy. First show in Venice. This city has a lion !!!! But strangely it was winged lion ...

... it was the emblem of the lion of St. Mark



1961, engrave, perf. 11½ on granite paper

St. Mark is patron of Venice

In 1604, to defray the cost of flood relief, Venice introduced what could be considered the first example of a 'stamp tax'.

When the revenue fell short of expectations in 1608,

Venice introduced paper with the superscription 'AQ' and imprinted instructions, which was to be used for 'letters to officials'.

At first, this was to be a temporary tax, but it remained in effect until the fall of the Republic in 1797

Winged lion as a symbol of Venice, in the period 1700 - 1800, is used as an official stamp in mail delivery



*** Folded letter dated 7-5-1849 with hand-stamp, certifying the franchise, of the Saint Clara military hospital head office (in the crown : "DIREZIONE DELL'OSPITALE MILITARE S. CHIARA" with st. Mark lion emblem) used throughout the period of the provisional government of the "Republic of Venice" (only "Venice" after the occupation of the dry land by the Austrian troops), therefore from March 23, 1848 (uprising of Venice) to August 21, 1849 (its surrender)

In Venice, I have a special story about aqua letters with a winged lion emblem

N 1270

A



Q

DE Ordine dell' Illustriss. Sig. Savij, & Esecutori alle Acque in sta la deliberatione per sue Sig. Illustriss. presa sotto li 12. Nouemb. 1608. per il Dacio delli soldi 4. per Lettera, si commette à cadauno Cancelliero delle Cancellarie del Stato nostro, che per l'auenire non dia risposta, nè esecuzione à niuna sorte di Lettere che li faranno scritte per cadaun Officio, & Magistrato di questa Città eccettuati però li Eccellentiss. Consigli, & Collegi, & l'Officio Illustriss. dell' Auogaria. Auditor Noui, & Nouissimi, & Vecchi, & li Conferuarii delle Leggi se non faranno ogn' vna di esse Lettere incluse, ouero scritte in vno delli presenti nostri mezi fogli stampati, & numerati, & se faranno incluse più di vna sol Lettera debbano le sudette Cancellarie inuiarle all' Officio nostro sotto pena di Ducati 100. per cadauna volta che contrafaranno da esser diuisa conforme alla deliberatione sudetta, & ancora siano tenuti à maggior pene, douendo il tutto infilar, & l'istessa deliberatione farà anco obseruata dalli sudetti Officij, & Magistrati di questa Città, sotto le pene in essa dichiarate, eccettuati li sopranominati officij. Douendosi dar esecuzione à tal nostra deliberatione adì primo Febraro prossimo venturo 1608.

Francesco Millo Dacio VII.

per. et gnore Vri Ad' vico. dei M. d. Grand. Grand, Vicario et Guardia da Mattin della V. scola del S. Rocco d' il Gio: Paulo d' questa Città la q. V. fara utar e valer Reas alti 3 parti per il 4 giorno giuridico d' mattina, comparen debba auant. noi et off. nro a vedevn. le reneniar f occasion e affit. cart e non pagotj et della ut. con uel a renenien. et h. rou.

*** From 1609 to 1797, the Republic of Venice required that all notaries, scribes, and public agents sending letters to government agencies had to pay 4 soldi per letter. The money went to the office of water commissioners to control tidal flooding. The sheets bore the letters AQ (Acque or waters) and the lion of St. Mark, the symbol of Venice. The numbered letter sheets were privately printed and distributed by a "daziere" or revenue officer. The AQ sheets were used as a wrapper enclosing the letter, or the message could be written directly on the sheet.

The AQ lettersheets are considered by many to be the world's first postal stationery. However, others consider the AQ lettersheets to be a type of revenue (fiscal) paper. Finally, some consider the AQ lettersheets to be semi-postal in nature, due to the use of the revenue for flood relief.

5.3 Traveling around the world

When we visited Tuscany, my heart was beating wildly. This is the place where the lion was first captured as a stamp design. Lion of Tuscany is known throughout the world as the first postage stamp with lion design in the world. The stamps issued on 1851



First issue 1851
1 Quattrini black

Forgery
1 Quattrini black
no watermark,
white paper

1851, 1 Soldi
lemon on
bright blue
paper (e)

1851, 1 Soldi
orange on grey
paper (e)

*** First issue 1851, 1 Crazie on bright blue paper,
crown watermark

*** Second issue 1857, 1 Crazie on grey paper,
cross wave watermark

In this period,
lion of Tuscany stamps was issued in many variation of paper and color gradation



**
2 Crazie
light blue on
blue paper

**
2 Crazie, dark
blue on blue
paper

**
2 Crazie
light blue on
grey paper

**
2 Crazie
green on grey
paper

**
2 Crazie
blue on grey
paper

also cancelled in many type of cancellations



straight line
canc.

PD in box
canc.

PD canc.

argyle canc.

circular canc.



*** 1857, folded letter, with 2 cz on bright blue paper (x3) Lion of Tuscany issued on 1851,
sent from Firenze 14 April 1857 to Piacenza (e)

I was then shocked. It was later revealed that the lion of Tuscany is not the first stamp with lion design in the world !!!



The first postage stamp
with lion design in the world
is stamp from Hanover, issued 1850

1850, 1 Groschen
gray-blue



1851, 1 Groschen
gray-green

1851, 1/30 Thaler

1851, 1/15 Thaler

1851, 1/10 Thaler



1856, 1/30 Thaler

1855, 1/10 Thaler

The first issue (1850-1851) the lion on
coat of arm printed in black on
colored paper

The second issue (1855-1857), printed
on patterned background color paper

Lion of Tuscany issued in 1851.

Turns in 1850, in Hanover Germany, has been issued a postage stamp with lion design in it



** 1857, Cover with second issues Hanover stamp, sent from Wimburg 6 April to Wolfenbuttel 7 April

5.3 Traveling around the world

We visited America and found many lions there, but none of them were real. There was one very similar to a lioness, the mountain lion, her face is very similar to the lioness. Mountain lion often lived in the rocky mountains, Perhaps that is why it is called mountain lion



2005, photogravure, imperforate proof

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The cougar (Puma concolor), also known as puma, mountain lion, mountain cat, catamount or panther, depending on the region, is a mammal of the family Felidae, native to the Americas



1968, lithography, perf. 13 x 12½



1973, overprint with new country name (British Honduras - Belize)



1974, lithography, perf. 13½



Precanceled stamp, RED LION, PA.



1934, rubber postmark, RED LION, COLO.

When we performed a show in New York, I found two stone lions guarding the entrance of the library of New York city, nicknamed Patience and Fortitude



2000, self adhesive plate number S11111



2000, self adhesive plate number S22222



2000, self adhesive plate number S33333



2000, self adhesive plate number S44444



2003, self adhesive plate number S55555



2000, self adhesive plate number S66666



2000, self adhesive plate number S77777



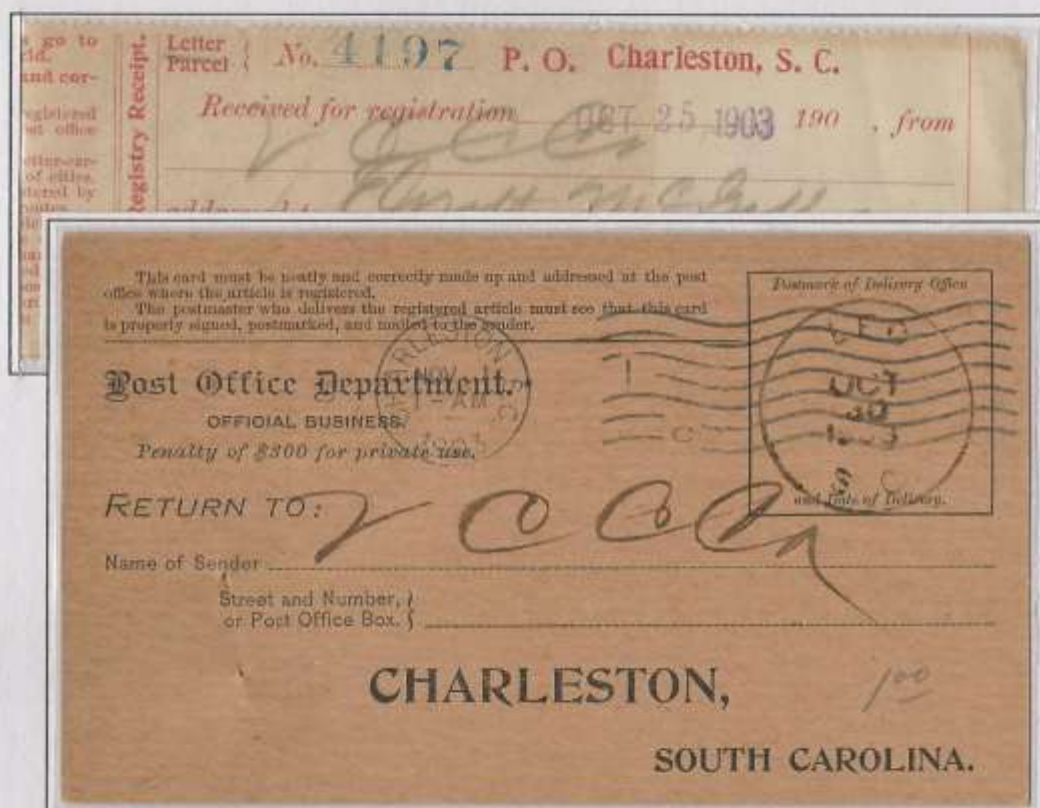
2003, gummed plate number S11111

See the similarity between face of mountain lion and lioness but male mountain lion doesn't have a mane



1979, lithography, shifted double print on red color, imperforate

In the USA, many cities are using the name of the lion / leo, such as Red Lion in Pennsylvania, Red Lion in Colorado, Leo in South Carolina



** 1903, postmark, LEO, SC. on Registry Return Receipt card as a proof for registered letter sent from Charleston SC 25 Oct 1903 already receipt by the addressee in Leo SC

We also heard an iron horse named the Stourbridge Lion It was the first locomotive to be operated in the United States; manufactured in 1828 ...



1983, Progressive proof imperforate

... the locomotive earned the name Lion from the picture of a lion's face that was painted on the front of the locomotive by its builder

The Stourbridge portion of the name is from the town of Stourbridge in England, where the locomotive was manufactured



1983, lithography, perf. 12½ normal stamp

5.4 The best achievement

The International Circus Festival has been held in Monte Carlo and was the first of many international awards for circus performers



2012, photogravure

This festival is the most prestigious circus entertainment event, where the entire best circus performers from all around the world perform their best attraction in one event ...



... this festival was initiated and supported by Prince Rainier of Monaco. He passed away on 2005



**

Monaco 1999, color trial proof, imperforate, issued in green

The Monte Carlo International Circus Festival held every year

25th circus Festival 2001



2000, perf. 13¼

26th circus Festival 2002



2000, photogravure

27th circus Festival 2003



2003, perf. 13¼



Monaco 1999, color trial proof, imperforate, issued in green

Prince Albert is the successor of the Prince Rainier. He continued to support the Monte Carlo Circus Festival ...

... so the Festival still running every year until now



2014, advertising pictorial postmark, used 18.1.2014

It was time for me to show my skills.
I played with my coach
I am proud that I can do every order of my coach
without any errors
An honor to play in the biggest circus festival at Monte Carlo



**

Monaco 1978, color trial proof, imperforate.

Color Trials are stamps issued on gummed sheet form and are printed by the same plates (dies) as are used for the issued stamps.

Color Trials exist only for engraved issues, are printed in full sheets

and are usually printed in up to three different colors or shades, plus combination of colors.

For stamps printed in three colors and in sheets of 25, the color combinations will usually be as follows:

The first three rows are mono colored (each row in a different basic color),

first row: color 1; second row: color 2; third row: color 3. The fourth row shows a repetition of one of the basic colors(1, 2 or 3);

The fifth row shows various combinations of the three colors (multicolor impression)

The Monte Carlo International Circus Festival still the best circus festival event in the world

5.5 Injuries

In circus show, a lot of dangerous action in performances caused big probability injured

Disaster occurred again.
At one show,
I accidentally fell down
when jumping

2002, perf 14½
with pictorial margin
showing lion tamer order
the lion to jump



1997, Issue stamp with pictorial
on the corner sheet margin

My legs were injured and I must take a rest for a while ...



Lion

Panthera leo

Denis Murphy
197/04/09

**** Namibia 1997 original drawing, pencil on paper, signed by the designer Dennis Murphy. **UNIQUE**

... .. I was cured with muscle tonic. But after a while,
the curing resulted to my inability to perform such actions anymore ...



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** Portugal 1877, advertisement on the back of postal telegram paper, depicting a man with lion promoting muscle tonic

... with that bad news,
I must leave
our friends in circus,
because my circus manager
sent me to the zoo



Singapore 1990, perf. 14½
specimen applied with no place
and date round cancellation

6.1 Hey, there are a lot of kind lions in zoo

At the zoo, I did encounter some animals named lion. As far as I know, they are not included in the lion family, not even big cats. Once I get to know them better, it turns out that they use the name of the lion due to similarities to lions like me. Some of my new friends are lionfish, sea lion and golden lion tamarin

A lionfish is any of several species of venomous marine fish in the genera *Pterois* or *Dendrochirus*, family Scorpaenidae



Tuvalu 1979 stamp booklet, consist 16 stamps in various denominations



** Tonga 1995 chromalin proof by Walsall Security printers on thick cardboard. one of 5 example

lionfish has a tassel on the body similar to as can be seen in the lion's mane



1995, self adhesive specimen ovpt



1995, official use specimen ovpt



1987, lithography, perf. 14½

Sea lions are definitely not lions but they look like big cats in some ways. Sea lions eat meat and have hairy coats and whiskers. Well, they can roar. And worse, some types of male sea lions even have mane !!!



Belgium 2002, pictorial rubber postmark

What I saw reminded of my friend, Henry, the sea lion, who was good at playing the ball in the circus

The golden lion tamarin (*Leontopithecus rosalia*), or golden marmoset, is a small new world monkey of the family Cebidae, with hair like lion's mane ...



Brasil 1999 non denominated imprint golden lion tamarin stamp on stationery aerogramme, for international destination

... its hair is longer and darker around the face, forming a mane on top of the head and on the cheeks and throat



1992, printed from plate no 1



1992, printed from plate no 2



2000, perf. 14

As its name would suggest, golden lion tamarin is a reddish orange to golden brown in color

and definitely not in black



1998, Monochrome print 49

6.2 Also have a new "real lion" friends

I am not the only real lion stay in this zoo.
We have some friends, they come from South Africa ...



1961, South Africa 5c imprinted stationery envelope, up-rated with 22½c to pay the rate of sending registered airmail letter from Jacobs South Africa 19.8.1961 to Texas USA 24.8.1961. The stamp for postage must be added on registered entire with 5c prepaid registered fee with "Republic of Republiek van" bilingual overprint



1954, 6d registered entire

1961, 6d registered entire with 5c revaluation overprint "Republic of Republiek van" bilingual overprint

since 1961, the currency change from Pound to Rand

South Africa, upon formation the country was named the Union of South Africa, reflecting its origin from the unification of four formerly separate British colonies. Since 1961 the long form name has been the "Republic of South Africa". In Dutch the country was named Republiek van Suid-Afrika



** South Africa essay, preliminary drawing, Pencil on paper proposed for aerogramme animal series



... their bodies are slightly bigger than my body.
His mane also darker than mine

Last year they moved to this zoo from Kruger National Park of South Africa



1947, South Africa imprinted 1d Kruger National Park stationery card, up-rated with ½d to pay the rate of sending international postcard from Johannesburg 1.12.1947 to Indiana USA

The South African lion already have a spouse, a beauty lioness. It make me jealous.....

6.3 Research object - African lion

One day, the zoo was visited by researchers. They wanted to examine the existing lion in our zoo. Based on their explanation, African lions consist of several species, only four subspecies of the African lions left :

... the Angolan lion ...



1953, perf. 12½

... the Senegalese lion ...



1993, lithography

The Cape lion from tip of Southern Africa and ...

... the Masai lion in the East ...

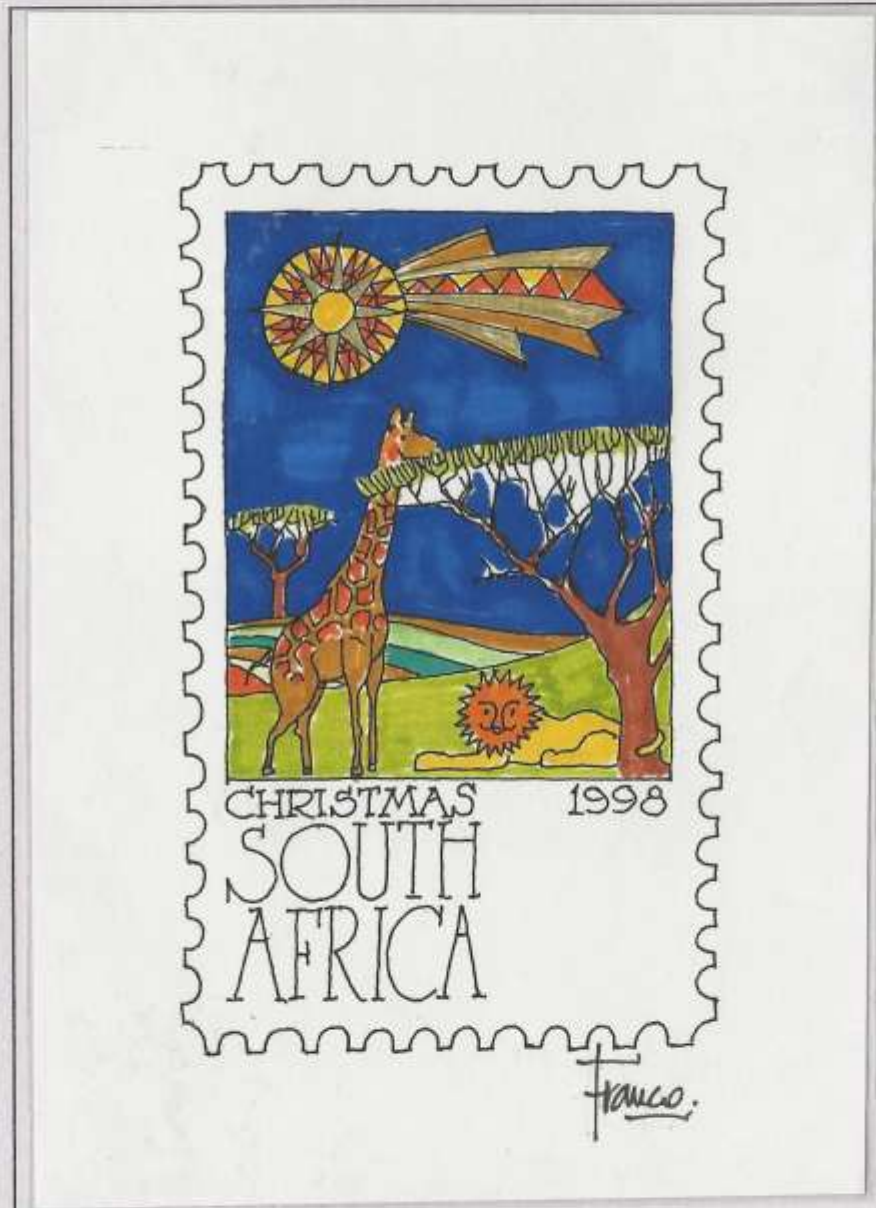


1989, perf. 12½, tete beche

... and the Transvaal lion in Kruger National Park



2001, perf. 14¾ x 14½
sold for 1.90 Rand



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South Africa 1998 essay, un-adopted drawing, proposed for Christmas series. Signed by the designer, Franco



1996, perf. 14 x 14½
sold for 1.00 Rand

In a dry area, lion sometimes rest on the stone



1998, perf. 14¾ x 14
on 3 side from booklet
sold for 1.30 Rand

... the Barbary lion in the North Africa are extinct



2011, photogravure

The researchers told me that In Africa, lions can be found in savanna grasslands with scattered Acacia trees which serve as shade. This is exactly similar with Serengeti, my homeland



2000, photogravure, perf. 12½

... but the researcher also told me that some Lions also live in deserts, such as the Kalahari Desert in Southern Africa. I cannot imagine how hot the weather there



2011 Korea 100 Won imprinted stationery card up-rated 50 Won, used for inland mail 24.11.2011

6.3 Research object - Asiatic lion

The researchers stated that Asiatic lions (*Panthera leo persica*) once roamed across southern Europe, the Middle East and Asia



1999, lithography, perf. 12
with pictorial margin depicting Middle East and Asia

But even it names with *Panthera leo persica*, the last sighting of a live Asiatic lion in Iran was in 1941 ...



1974, with lion and sun
on tab margin

... today they are an endangered species ...



1982, lithography

... now they found only in nature preserve in the Gir Forest of Northwest India



1963 commemorative pictorial postmark
on 1962 Asiatic lion stamp,
to promote wildlife preservation in Gir Forest India

Gir Forest about 300 lions live in a 1,412 km² (558 square miles) sanctuary in the state of Gujarat, which covers most of the forest ...



... Asiatic lions always have a fold of skin running lengthways along the underside of the belly (African lions rarely do)



1992, lithography, perf. 14

The Asiatic lion (*Panthera leo persica*), also known as the Indian lion



1999, photogravure,
issue stamp



India 1999 adopted original drawing, watercolor on cardboard with signature of General Manager India Security Press

African lions differ a little than Asiatic lions



South Africa 1996 proof of booklet cover, with color indication.
Archive from Format printer

Asiatic lions tend to have small manes ...



2011, issued in personalized stamp sheet using the 1962 issue stamp design

... and larger tail tuft



1981, imperforate proof

6.4 Learning the history from scientist - Smilodon, the ancestor

From the scientist, I learnt the history of my ancestor. In the past, the Lions ancient family ruled the area wherever stayed. *Smilodon*, which it means "carving knife tooth" was related to the Lions ancient family



2002, lithography, perf. 12½ x 12½

Smilodon populator,
1 million-10,000 years ago;
found in the eastern parts of South America. It
is perhaps the largest known felid,
with a body mass range of 220 to 400 kg

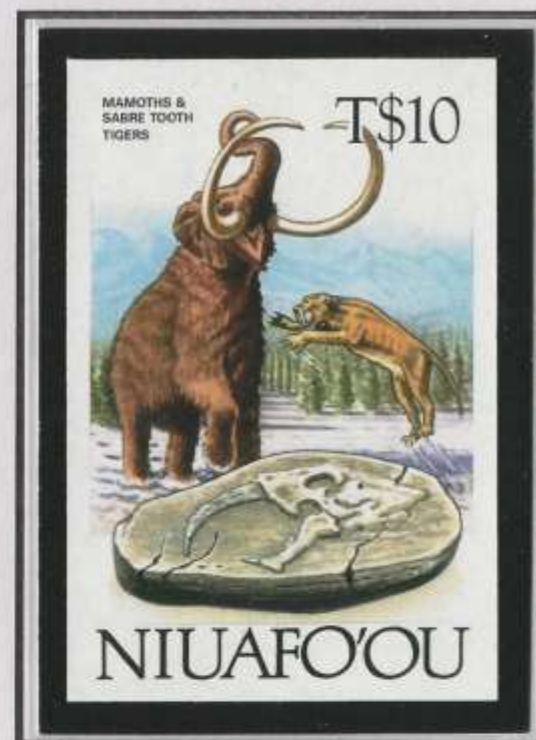


1997, die cut self adhesive

It is perhaps the best known saber-toothed cat



1993, issue stamp specimen ovpt



Smilodon has a similar characteristics to lions,
but with bigger body and longer tooth

Ancient humans used fire to repel nuisance animals,
including *Smilodon*



2004, photogravure, proof imperforate pair



1996, monochrome proof

*** Niuafo'ou 1993, adopted artist presentation proof, this item is an important part of the design and approval process before printing of the stamps can take place. The printers who were Walsall Security Printers of London, UK, reduced the final artwork to FOUR TIMES the required stamp size on card so all the design details could be clearly seen, and then this Artist's Presentation was sent to the relevant authorities for approval (or rejection). This design received approval and printing of the stamps was able to proceed

The Danish naturalist and palaeontologist Peter Wilhelm Lund described the genus *Smilodon* in 1841
He found the fossils of *Smilodon populator* in caves
near the small town of Lagoa Santa, in the state of Minas Gerais, Brazil

Smilodon has a very distinctive characteristic is that their canines
are very long and curved. Very keen to kill prey and rip flesh



Madagascar 1993 adopted original drawing,
watercolor on poster board with acetate overlay for lettering, **UNIQUE**



1999, lithography, with pictorial margin



1993, issue stamp

Smilodon went extinct
10,000 years ago, its extinction
may be linked to the decline
and extinction of large herbivores,
which were replaced by smaller
and more agile ones like deer.

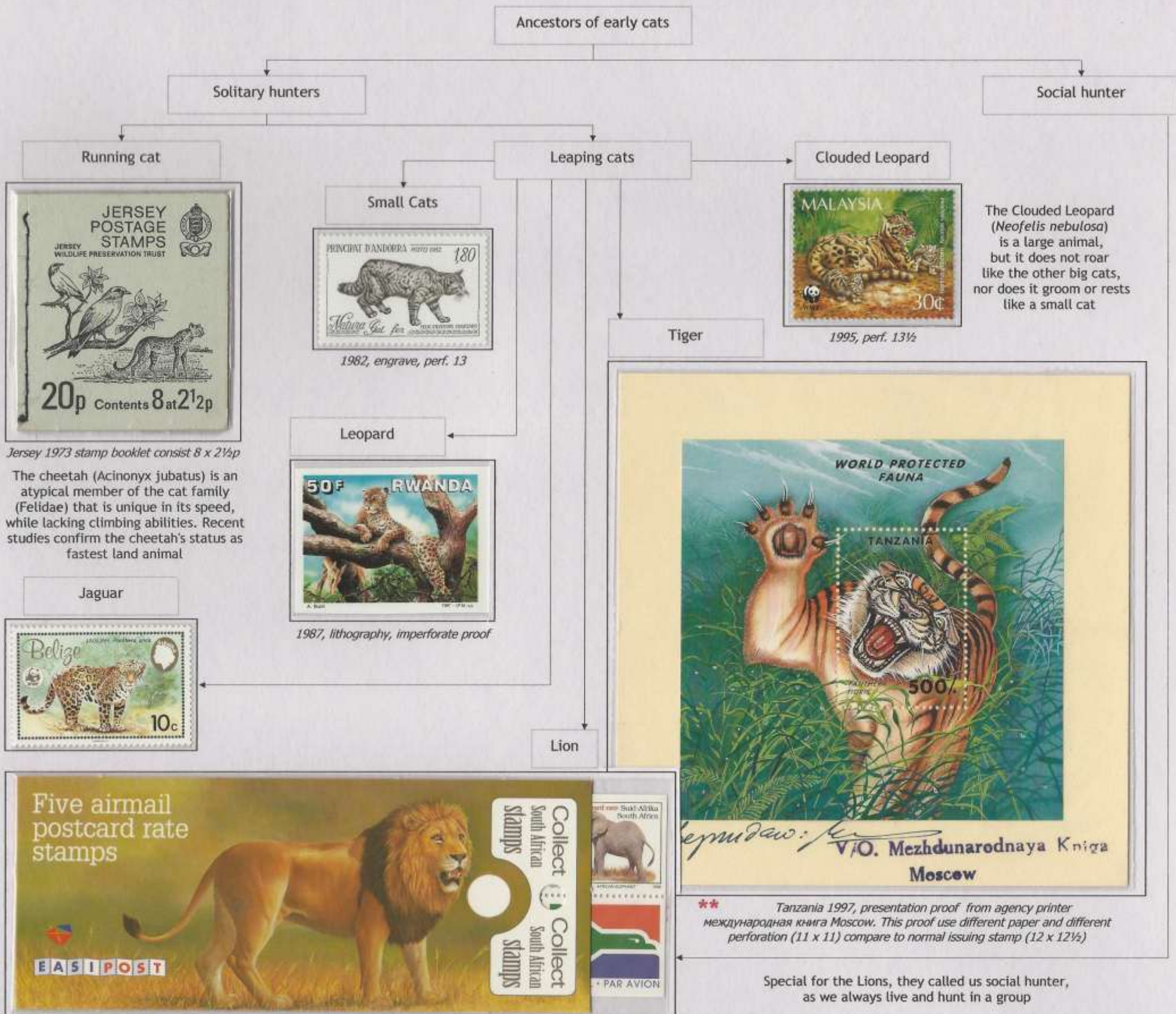
Hence, *Smilodon* could have been
too specialized at hunting large prey
and may have been unable to adapt

6.4 Learning the history from scientist - The descent of smilodon, related to the lion

From the previous learning, now I have a clear picture of the lion lineage and family ties with other cat family. These are listed in the following diagram.

The relationships and fossil history of the different cats are not fully understood.

In this diagram, the Cheetah (Guepard or *Acinonyx jubatus*) is separated from all the others and is called a running cat because it is unique in being able to chase its prey at great speed. All other cats are called leaping cats, because they slowly stalk their prey and then leap on it



The term big cat - which is not a biological classification - is used informally to distinguish the larger cat species from smaller ones.

One definition of "big cat" includes the four members of the genus *Panthera*: the tiger, lion, leopard, and jaguar. Members of this genus are the only cats able to roar.

A more expansive definition of "big cat" also includes the cheetah, snow leopard, and cougar

6.4 Learning the history from scientist - *Panthera leo*, the modern lion

My subspecies is *Panthera leo nubuca*. Its sound very scientific. Yes, those scientists told me a lot about modern taxonomy introduced by Carolus Linnaeus. Carolus Linnaeus was a Swedish Botanist and Physician who laid the foundations for the modern scheme of taxonomy, what became known as the Linnaean taxonomy; the system of scientific classification now widely used in the biological sciences. The Linnaean system classified living things within a hierarchy

Carolus Linnaeus
(1707 - 1778)



1983, photogravure

Lets mention the official facts about the Lion :

Class : Mammalia
Order : Carnivora
Family : Felidae
Genus : Panthera
Species : *Panthera leo*

This entire means that the Lions closed related families are the Panthera lineage such as the Jaguar (*Panthera onca*), the Tiger (*Panthera tigris*) and the Leopard (*Panthera pardus*)

Panthera leo



1990, pictorial margin



**** Guinea 1968 adopted original drawing, watercolor on cardboard, **UNIQUE**



* 1968, proof imperforate of issue stamp, without denomination

Panthera leo senegalensis, known as the West African lion, is found in Western Africa, from Senegal, Guinea to the Central African Republic



1963, perf. 13 x 13½

Panthera leo persica, known as the Asiatic lion or South Asian, Persian, or Indian lion, once was widespread from Turkey, across South West Asia to India and Pakistan, now around 400 exist in and near the Gir Forest of India

From the scientist, now in the world only left five recent subspecies of lion and it spread into 5 region :



Photographic proof

2000, perf. 14

Panthera leo bleyenberghi, known as the southwest African or Katanga lion, is found in southwestern Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Angola, Katanga (Democratic Republic of the Congo), Zambia, and Zimbabwe



1999, lithography

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Panthera leo krugeri, known as the southeast African or Transvaal lion, is found in the Transvaal region of southeastern Africa, including Kruger National Park



1996, lithography, perf. 13½

Panthera leo nubica, known as the East African or Masai lion is found in East Africa, from Ethiopia and Kenya to Tanzania and Mozambique



1954, photographic proof

6.5 Looking to the stars - Constellation Leo

on a clear night, I stand outside on the grass staring at the sky. I see a lot of star-studded. I was reminded of the lessons given researchers about zodiac constellations



2005, photogravure, self adhesive stamp with gutter

The Lion (also Great Lion, Leo major) is one of the constellations of the Zodiac. It comprises 77 stars that are visible to the 'unarmed' human eye ...

... the brightest is Regulus (= 'Little King') at 85 light-years from Earth. The second brightest Denebola at 42 light-years ...



1974, lithography



2009, lithography

Constellation Leo is one of the 48 constellations described by the 2nd century astronomer Ptolemaios,



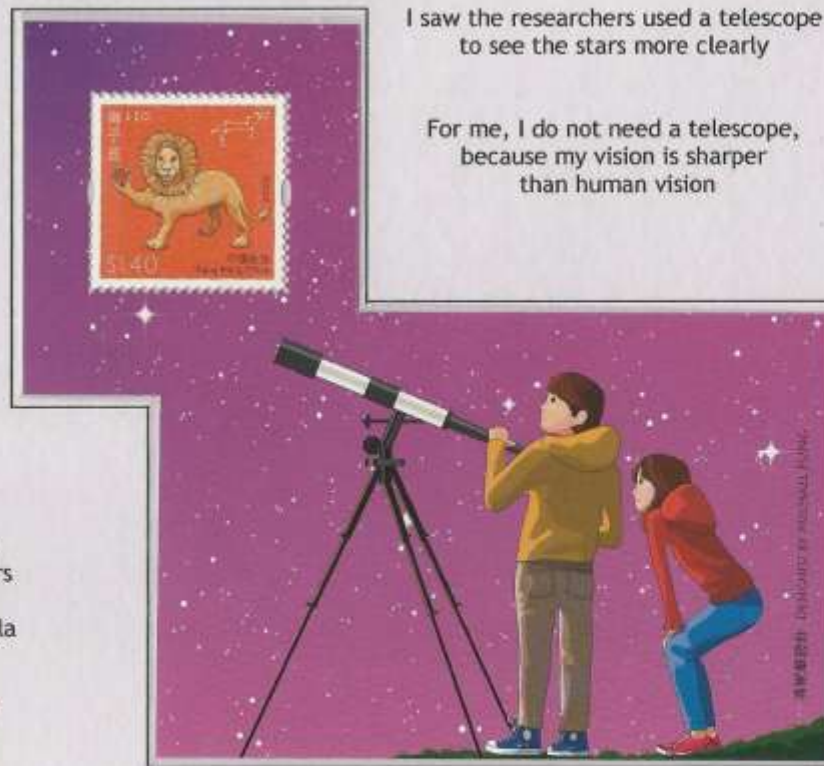
2007, with normal perforation



2007, with security perforation



* 2007, imperforate proof



I saw the researchers used a telescope to see the stars more clearly

For me, I do not need a telescope, because my vision is sharper than human vision

2012, with security perforation and pictorial margin

Copernicus gave Regulus its name during the Fifteenth Century



1955, engrave, perf. 12½



2004, lithography + emboss

... Eta Leonis, position at North from Regulus, looks weak, but it spreads a hundred times as much light as Regulus



2002, booklet pane from "across the universe" Great Britain prestige booklet

The constellation of Leo was already mentioned in the famous Almagest of the Egyptian astronomer Ptolemaios



2005, lithography, serpentine die cut perf. 10%, self adhesive stamp

We call constellation Leo because if some point of the star connected, will form an imaginary of a lion

6.5 Looking to the stars - Leo, lion on the zodiac

Humans like astrology

Astrologers say about the astrological Leo as follow :

Leo zodiac has a symbol



One of our guard said that she is a Leo
She believed in astrology



Warm and friendly

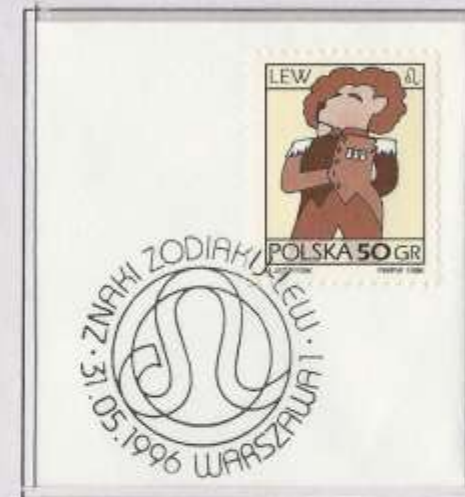
Leo

PERSONALITY

LEOS like to live life to the full. While their outlook on life is generally positive and happy, Leos crave love more than might be supposed. While appearing confident, many Leos quietly harbour doubts about themselves and their worth. They need love, adoration, appreciation and recognition to fuel their generous, fun-loving nature.

Leo is ruled by the sun, and typically, Lions rather expect to be the centre of attention. Everything should revolve around them. At the same time, when in form, Leos beam out warmth, joy and pleasure to friends and family.

Leos like to be leaders, and expect to rule the roost at home. Good organisers, they have a talent for motivating others.



Poland 1996, rubber pictorial postmark



Between July 21 and August 21 the Sun is in the constellation of Lion

** 1977, imp. proof

Australia 2005, inside interleaving page from prestige stamp booklet Leo zodiac series

Key Leo Traits :

LIKES : Pleasure, Appreciation, Activity DISLIKES : Being ignored, Dishonesty, Being laughed at
POSITIVE : Honest and loyal, Generous, Courageous NEGATIVE : Stubborn, Boastful, Indifferent

She is very proud because she has a Leo zodiac. She feels that she has all the characteristics of Leo. How proud I was
At the time of her birthday, she made personalized stamp with the image of his face and of course, the character of a Leo. GREAT !!!

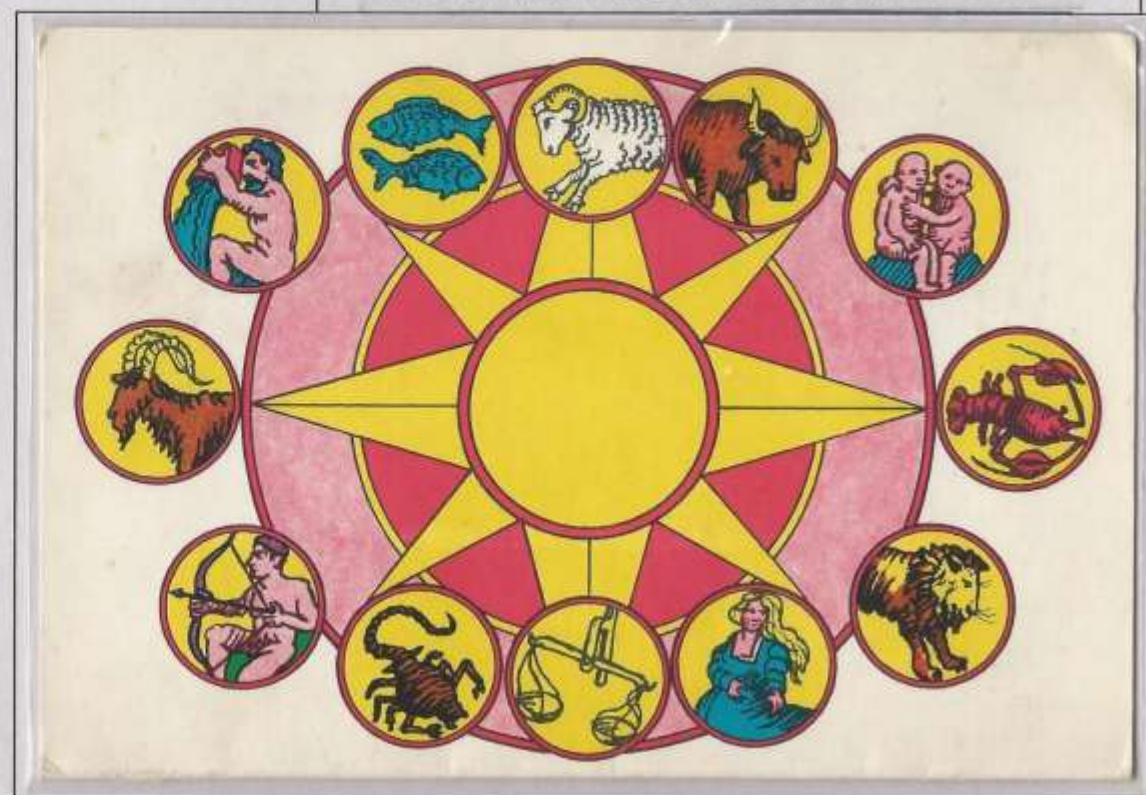
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Perfect for sending out your birthday invitations!

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Conditions apply, see website for details.

Australia 2007, advertisement on back of self adhesive stamp booklet

Leo is the fifth out of twelve constellation of the Zodiac



Poland 1979, greeting telegram depicting 12 constellation of the zodiac

6.6 Starting a new family - Meet with nice lioness

In the zoo,
I was alone, no partner



Lithography,
with security perforation

That situation brought my mind
to my partner in the past,
we were in Serengeti



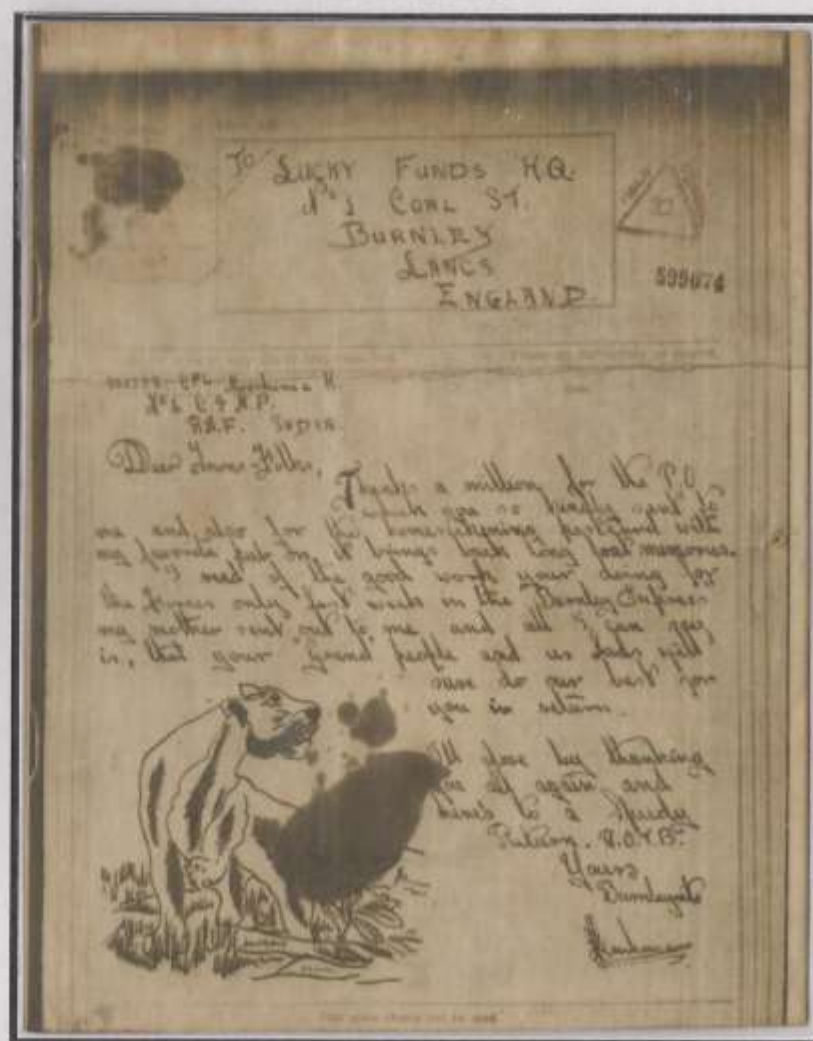
1979, lithography

was still a handsome lion,
even the king of the Serengeti



Paraguay 1940, negative plate
for stamp printing

At the zoo I saw there was a lioness who has not got a partner
She is from India



The lioness looked
very graceful and attractive



1932, photogravure

very similar
to my first partner in life



1977, photogravure



1977, perf. 14 x 13 1/2

... during the age
of glory in the Serengeti

After paying attention for a while, I felt the lioness was appropriate for me to be my partner



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India 1999 un-adopted original drawing,
watercolor on cardboard, signed by General Manager India Security Press

*** India 1942 censored airgraph, sent to Burnley UK 9.12.1942
In 1941 the GPO introduced the Airgraph Service for messages between
servicemen and civilians. Sending 1600 airgraphs on microfilm weighed
just 5 ounces compared to 50 pounds for the same number of letters

I approached the lioness



** 1957, trial color proof,
(1) green (2) black and (3) combine
black, brown and green

We ended up being
a happy partner lion



Finally, happiness is almost perfect,
almost the same as before
when I lived in the Serengeti



* Burundi 1984, lithography
Progressive proof imperforate

6.6 Starting a new family - Mating

Now I am 12 years old
twice my age when I got caught in the Serengeti when I was six
I can still build a new family and reproduce well

My partner's age is now five, she's been ready for breeding by the time she turned four
We do not mate at any specific time of year, and the females are polyestrous



1960, South Africa prepaid 6d inland rate aerogramme up-rated with 6d stamp to cover international rate, sent from Pretoria South Africa 7.1.1960 to Tucson USA

As with other cats' penises,
the male lion's penis has spines that point backward
During withdrawal of the penis, the spines rake the walls of the
female's vagina, which may cause ovulation

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Sierra Leone 1995 proof print for viewing, with cross cutting marking and simulated perforation.
This design slightly different with issued stamp on the position of country name and denomination



P.R. China 2002 imprinted 60 Fen stationery card depicting lion mating



1995, lithography, issue sheet

during a mating bout,
which could last
several days, we
copulates at least
twenty times a day



Specimen with
punch hole control

we can
reproduce
very well
in captivity



2000, lithography 59

6.6 Starting a new family - Having new baby in the zoo

I finally have more children at the zoo
It feels to be victorious again ...



** 1944, photogravure
proof imperforate with punch hole control

I can still show my courage ...



** Paraguay 1886
official stamp with control
marking lion printed on reverse

... I have 5 cubs, they look similar but I can recognize them all



** Benin 1976, trial color proof, in basic colors and combination color

... as a father
who was once a king ...



1935, perf. 11½ x 13½
engrave and typography

... I am not sure
whether one of my sons ...



photogravure

... would become king in his adult life ?



*** 1938, variation 1
Perforation 11½ x 13



* 1941, variation 2
Perforation 14



* 1954, variation 3
Perforation 12½

My sons do their everyday activity with playing together with the other cubs



** DPR Korea 1998 unadopted original drawing, watercolor on cardboard.
The postal authority of DPR Korea make some drawings with similar design and slightly
different in background for issued stamp

The birth of lion cubs at the zoo was a great news.
These event made our children as the center of
attention and promotional materials to visit the
zoo. Well seemed like a celebrity, ha ha ha ha



Germany 1928, advertising postmark

Even now we all become one of the most
attractive animal for visitors who come to the zoo

I love my son very much
and protect them



1998, lithography
Issue stamp



1999, lithography,
perf. 13 x 13¼

7.1 Pretender to the throne - Egyptian sphinx

My son, I'll tell you about how the lion became the inspiration for humankind.
They even incorporate some of our body with other beings
to reflect the combined strength and power of the dream imagery.
Let see the Egyptian Sphinx, believed as a goddess of wisdom and knowledge ...



**** Egypt 1983 adopted original drawing, watercolor on heavy cardboard. **UNIQUE**

Memphis, the capital of the old kingdom of Egypt. Has some extraordinary funerary monuments, including the Great Pyramid of Giza



Progressive proof revenue stamp

The Great Sphinx of Giza located within the confines of the Giza Pyramid field. When one approaches from the Memphis, the sphinx is seen in profile in front of the Great Pyramid

FIRST LESSON TO MY SON, LION HAS INSPIRING THE WORLD

... Egyptian Sphinx has the body of a lion and the head of a human
in expression of the union between intellectual capacity
and physical strength



*** 1866, essay of Riester Paris, Printed by recess in brown. No value, on white, wove paper, imperforate



*** 1866, essay of Riester Paris, Printed by recess in blue. No value, on white, wove paper, imperforate



1993, lithography, perf. 11¼

The face of the Great Sphinx is believed to be the head of the pharaoh Khafra



1993, variation, perforation misplaced downward

The Great Sphinx is 57 m long and 6 m wide ...

... and a height 20 m ...



1914, chalk surface paper

... making the Great Sphinx the largest single stone statue in the world



1970, Netherlands advertisement postage meter, used 10.3.1970. Type Francotyp Cc, date figures have stops after day and before year. M# with "FR" prefix. Medium spacing, 40 mm between centers of date and value figures

7.1 Pretender to the throne - Winged lion

My son, as additions to the sphinx of Egypt which already very well known there are many other forms of combination of lion body and other creature that inspires all human life in the European and Middle East region, you'll find a lot of winged lion figures ...



1992, Soviet Union 7k imprinted stationery cover, used for inland mail 24 Sep 1992

FIRST LESSON TO MY SON, LION IS A CHARMING ENTERTAINER

... some of them, with human head like Sphinx of Egypt

If we have wings like that, imagine that we can fly and pounce on our prey from the air like an eagle



1980, specimen avpt in red



2007, photogravure

in the BC era, the winged lion known and enshrined in various shapes as ...

... Phoenician ivory sphinx from ninth century BC ...

... winged lion gold ornament, from Achaemenid Dynasty sixth to fourth century BC



1971, lithography

The Lion of Venice surmounts one of two large granite columns in the Piazza di San Marco (St Mark's Square) of Venice Italy ...

The Lion of Venice is an ancient bronze winged lion sculpture which came to symbolize the city of Venice



1949, perf. 14



1849, folded letter dated 2.1.1849 from Governo Provisorio di Venezia (local use) with st. Mark lion emblem in the Lombardo Veneto Region

Winged lion usually shown in two positions : standing ...



... and sitting with legs forward



*** Stamp coin used in World War II, advertisement figured winged lion of bread shop (Schulstads maltede the tastiest and most economical brown bread)

... thought to have been erected about 1268, bearing ancient symbols of the of Venice. The Lion weights approximately 3,000 kilograms

7.2 Lion dance

My son, I see you like to run and dance
Let me tell you about the lion dance
This story I got when I visited China

Lions are not native in China,
they came to this country
through the famous Silk Road

Dear boy, If you look further, it turns out that the lion dance are various
depending on the area where the dance is played.
Chinese lion dances can be broadly categorized into two styles,
Northern (北獅) and Southern (南獅)



The lion dance dates back to the Han Dynasty and
during the Tang Dynasty when it was at its peak

The northern dance is acrobatic
and is mainly performed as
entertainment. Sometimes, they
perform dangerous stunts

Northern lions have a gold-painted
wooden head, and a shaggy orange
and yellow hair with a red bow on its
head to indicate a male lion

The lion dance is an important tradition in China, usually the dance is part of festivities
like Chinese New Year, the openings of restaurants and weddings.
If well-performed, the lion dance is believed to bring luck and happiness.



1996, perf. 12

The southern dance is more symbolic. It is
usually performed as a ceremony to exorcise
evil spirits and to summon luck and fortune

Southern Lion has a single horn, The lion
consists of a head which is traditionally
constructed using papier-mâché over a
bamboo frame, and a body made of
fabric trimmed with fur



2007, photogravure, perf. 14



2008, granite paper



2007, lithography with foil

The lion dance was not only
introduced in China, but also in
Japan, Vietnam and Korea ...

In Vietnam, The lion dance is referred to as the unicorn
dance (Vietnamese: múa lân). The dance is performed
at Vietnamese lunar new year (Tết) and
Vietnamese Mid-Autumn Festival (Tết trung thu)

Japan has a long tradition of the lion dance
and the dance is known as *shishi-mai*
(獅子舞) in Japanese, associated with
celebration of Buddha's birthday



1958, perf. 13½



1971, imperforate

In Korea, the best known of the Korean lion dances is
the Bukcheong sajanoreum or lion mask play from Bukcheong.
In this dance performers may don five different masks
including a huge but comic lion mask



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Korea 1969, un-adopted original drawing, watercolor on cardboard

7.2 Lion dance



My son, my friend told me a different type of lion dance
 It comes from a big archipelago in the world
 in which no lion lives naturally. It is INDONESIA
 The lion (Indonesian: *barong*) dance in Indonesia
 is a different tradition from the Chinese
 It comes from local Muslim and Hindu cultures
 The most well-known lion dances are performed in Bali and Java



1984, photogravure,
 perf. 12½

The Reog dance of
 Ponorogo involves a lion
 figure known as the singa
 barong. A single dancer, or
 warok, carries the heavy
 lion mask by his teeth

Barong is a protective spirit portrayed
 as a lion in Balinese mythology



2007, lithography, pictorial label
 Joint stamp issue Indonesia - China

In Hindu Balinese culture, the Barong is the king of
 good spirits, and the enemy of the demon queen
 Rangda. Like the Chinese lion, it requires more
 dancers than in the Javanese Reog



2007 issue stamp, with correct total nominal value
 Rp 40.000,- per sheet

*** Indonesia 2007 proof print from the security printer for checking the mistake,
 total nominal value per sheet printed error Rp 45.000,- instead of Rp 40.000,-

7.3 Fables and stories

The lion is also written in books and movies. My son, the lion character can indeed be a major role in the story in the book and film, for example :

Madagascar is a 2005 American computer-animated comedy film produced by DreamWorks Animation, and released in movie theaters on 2005



Austria 2005, stamp booklet comprising 2 x 0.55 Euro for inland mail rate



Austria 2012, self adhesive stamp in composite design



2005, perf. 14 x 14¼

Aslan, the Great Lion, is the eponymous lion of The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe, one of the book from The Chronicles of Narnia is a series of seven high fantasy novels by author C.S. Lewis. Written between 1949 and 1954

The Adventures of Tintin is created by Belgian cartoonist Georges Remi (1907-1983), wrote under the pen name Hergé



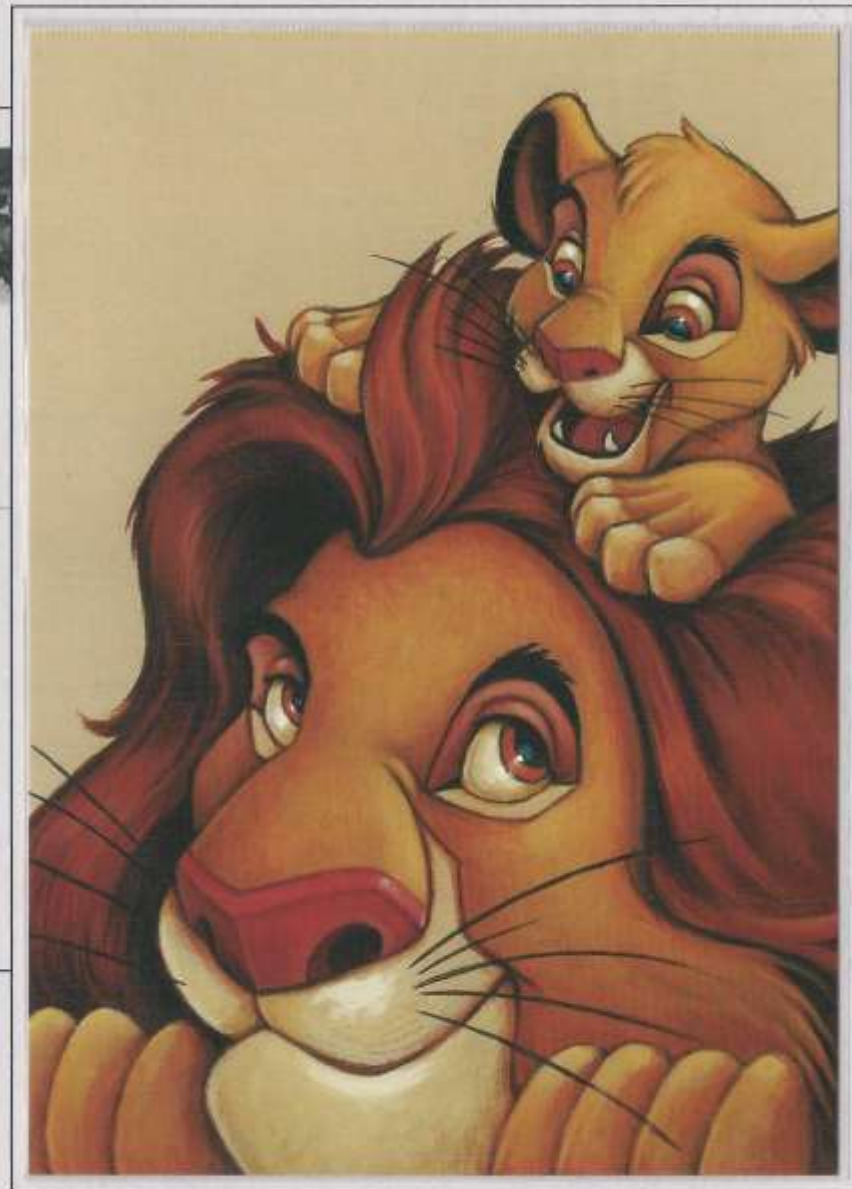
2000, personalized stamp

Simba (from the Swahili word for lion) is a fictional character who appears in The Lion King franchise



** Belgium Congo 1952, specimen advertisement postage meter
Type Francotyp "Cc", Upright frank with simulated perforation outer border.

The Lion King is a 1994 American animated musical adventure film produced by Walt Disney Feature Animation and released by Walt Disney Pictures. It is the 32nd animated feature in the Walt Disney Animated Classics series



USA 2003, imprinted 23c stationery card for inland mail

Don Quixote fully titled The Ingenious Gentleman Don Quixote of La Mancha (Spanish: El ingenioso hidalgo don Quijote de la Mancha), is a Spanish novel by Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra



1958, perf. 12½ x 13

7.3 Fables and stories

Well, son, there are stories of the lions with the other animals. You should take a lesson from these stories. We as lions are destined to be a predator, but do not be cocky and arrogant, because ingenuity will beat us

The Lion is the King, but other animals do not always accept that. It is not nice to say, but sometimes the other animals win ...

... the story about King Lion and the rabbit is one of the example stories
Rabbit is a well-known dodgy animal



*** DPR Korea 1999 adopted original drawing, watercolor on heavy cardboard



1999, DPR Korea stamp booklet comprising 5 stamps

The story about arrogance lion and the ingenuity rabbit is fabled in various countries ...

... in Zambia ...



... in India (panchatantra tale) ...



2001, composite se-tenant pair

... in Korea ...



1999, issue stamp



1999, error, color shifted

... and in Botswana



1980, perf. 14

The extract from the story of King lion and the rabbit, fabled in African countries, India and Korea, all have the same moral :
The power does not guarantee a win. You must be clever, use your mind !

... the lion and the rat ...

Aesop's Fables or the Aesopica is a collection of fables credited to Aesop, a slave and story-teller believed to have lived in ancient Greece between 620 and 560 BCE. Some example of Aesop's Fables related to lion as follow ...



1991, lithography

... The ass in lion skin and the fox ...



1987, lithography, perf. 12½, perforated on 4 side



1987, perf. 13½ horizontal, perforated on 2 side only from booklet

... the fox and the lion



1990, lithography, perf. 14

7.4 Mythology - The Nemean lion and Hercules

My son, you also have to know the story of cruel lion who was defeated by Hercules in Greek mythology

Hercules is the Roman name for the Greek divine hero Heracles ...



... who was the son of Zeus (Roman equivalent Jupiter)



1978, perf. 14

... the first labor was killing the Nemean Lion ...



... Hercules was unclothed before he killed the lion ...



1970, lithography

... the Nemean lion in some version known as cruel lion

Hercules put his arm around the throat of the lion ...

The legendary Greek Hero Heracles (Hercules) was said to have performed twelve difficult labors, or tasks, set by King Eurystheus (his cousin) that became popular subjects for illustration in Greek art ...



* Monaco 1981 engraver's die proof, printed in dark green solid color, signed by the engraver B. Helley, bears the official control seal inscribed "IMPRIMERIE DES TIMBRES-POSTE- CONTROLE". Only 19 printed and 4 in dark green color. The engraver's name not engrave yet on the die (still blank)

... after kill the Nemean lion, afterward, he wore its skin



PETER PAUL RUBENS — „Lupta lui Hercule cu leul din Nemea”

1982, Rumania registered letter uprated 1 Lei on imprinted 55 bani stationery cover to pay the rate of sending locally registered letter from Miercurea-Ciuc 8.2.1982



1989, Germany advertisement meter postage, used 5.1.1989.
Type Francotyp "Cm7000-10000"
Value figures tall and narrow. Meter number with "B" prefix

The Nemean lion's coat was impervious to the elements and all but the most powerful weapons. Hercules use it when he finished the next task



1981, perf. 13, semi-postal stamp surtax for the red cross

7.5 Bible

There are many stories about the lions in the Bible. My son, these are some of quotations related to us.



2000, engrave, composite block of four

Noah's Ark
(Hebrew: Biblical Hebrew: Tevat Noah)
is the vessel in the Genesis flood narrative
(Genesis chapters 6-9) ...



1987, perf. 13½, specimen

... by which God saves Noah, his family,
and a remnant of all the world's animals
from the flood

The story of Samson and lion
can be found in Judges 14: 5, 6



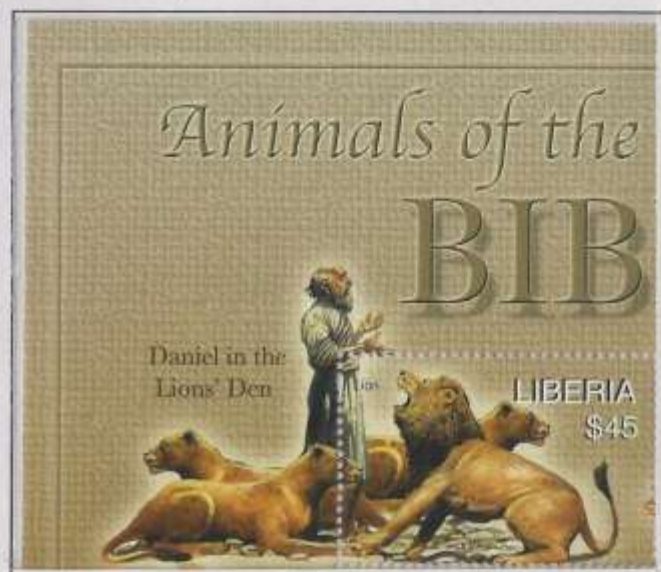
2010, photogravure, with pictorial margin

Even St. Mark,
one of the four Gospel writer
had a lion as his symbol



1978, lithography
imperforate

The story of Daniel in the lions' den is found
in the sixth chapter of the Book of Daniel in the Hebrew Bible



2006, pictorial corner sheet margin

You can find the detail at book issued by LION !!!!.
Eerdmans Handbook of Christian Belief, Lion (GB), 1982 and Eerdmans (USA), 1982.
This book authored by Gabriel an American theologian



1982, Great Britain advertisement postage meter, used 29.11.1982
Type Hasler "Mailmaster". License number with "HF" prefix

King Darius orders
Daniel to be thrown
in the den



1975, perf. 14

The lions are very hungry
but God shuts up the mouths
of the lions



1977, perf. 14½ x 14
composite block of four

The lion has always had a symbolic role as the King of Beasts, representing strength, courage and fortitude

One day Samson travels
to Timna. Along the
road he is unexpectedly
confronted with a
young, roaring lion.
Samson tears the lion
into pieces

Samson, a very strong
man and unfriendly
towards lions



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1938, Australia advertisement postage meter, used 13.1.1938
Type Universal Postal Frankers "Midget"

7.6 Expression in human world - Painting

Lions can be found in many paintings, ranging from prehistoric times, era of Byzantine, till the medieval period to modern ages. Lion painted on stone, mosaic, acrylic canvas by famous painter up over the silk. Everything shows valor and courage of a lion. Be proud, son !

Leaping lion found on rock art at Clocolan South Africa
5th century BC



1987, perf. 14½ x 14

Lion attacking a deer,
byzantine mosaic 7th century
in Um Al Rasas Jordan



1970, photogravure, perf. 12½ x 12

In Twyfelfontein, a site of ancient rock engravings in the Kunene Region of north-western Namibia, which has been inhabited for 6,000 years, found Rock painting pictures Lion Plate with Lion Man



2011, personalized

Lion in the detail of the mosaic
from Byzantine church 14th century
in Jabalia Gaza



1998, lithography



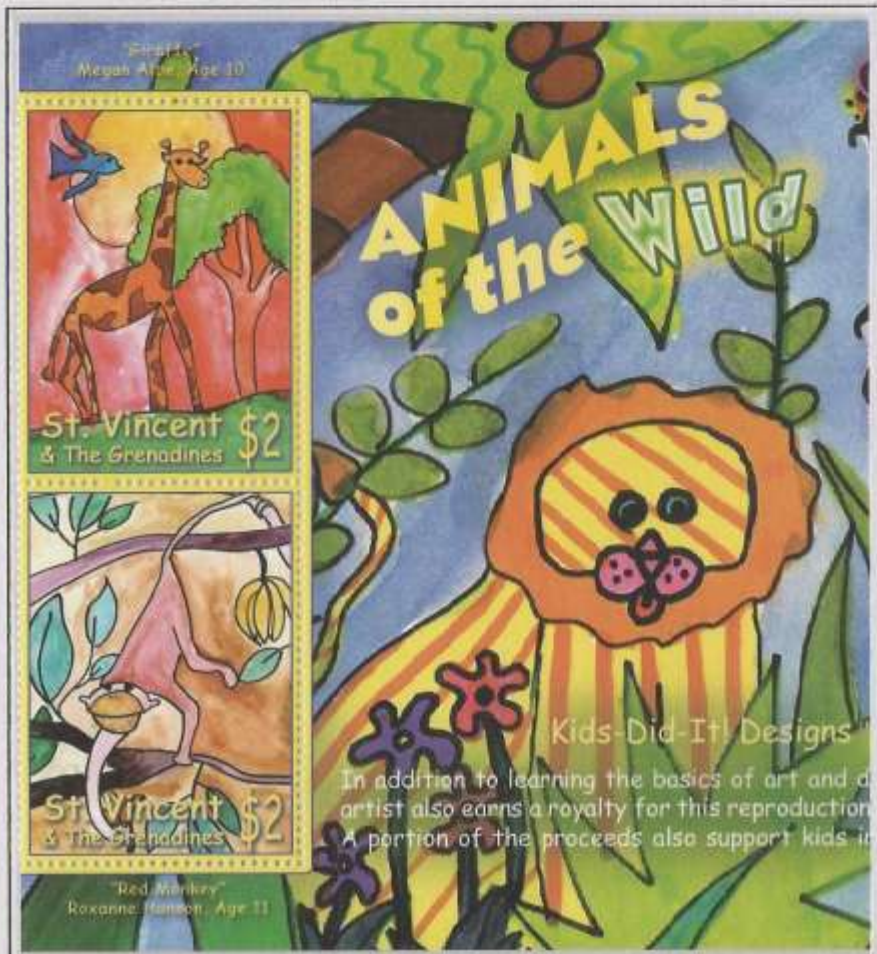
2008, standard mail
sold as N\$2

Hercules and the Nemean lion,
Roman mosaic 2nd - 3rd century
House of Orpheus, Paphos Cyprus



1989, Specimen ovpt in black

"Lion, Jungle night" by Megan Albe (12 years old) child's drawing



2006, Pictorial sheet margin

"La chasse au lions"
(lion hunt)
by Flemish Baroque painter
P.P. Rubens



1977, perf. 13

Lioness, poster for 3rd commercial fair
by Auguste Tremont



2003, printed by Cartor

Lion also found in painting "The Great Deeds of Swedish Kings" belongs to Drottningholm Palace, Stockholm (Sweden). Painted 1695 by David Klöcker Ehrenstrahl, master of the Swedish Baroque Era



17 mars 2000

CZESLAW SLANIAS 1000:e FRIMÄRKE



Mittpartiet ur

David Klöcker Ehrenstrahls målning från 1695
"Svenska konungars berömliga bedrifter"
i Drottningholms slott.



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* 2000, lithography + engrave, perf. 12½
This stamp became the spectacular 1000th stamp engraved by Czeslaw Slania, was issued in 2000, and won a place in the Guinness Book of World Records as the largest engraved stamp ever issued



* 2000, Monochrome print, brighten the detail of engraving method

My son,
see the
beautiful human
reproduce
the painting
into stamp
with engraving
method.
See the detail !!!



7.6 Expression in human world - Statue

Look my son, I've got a funny story. When I was in China, I saw a dog who was very shocked after seeing lions in front of the gate. He thought that it was a gigantic lion, ha ha ha ha ha !!!!!



In France, you remember they have lion of Belfort



1918, surcharge and overprint Indochina over France stamp

Chinese lions are frequently used as statuary in traditional Chinese architecture



1993, Specimen stamp by cancelled the value with bar ovpt

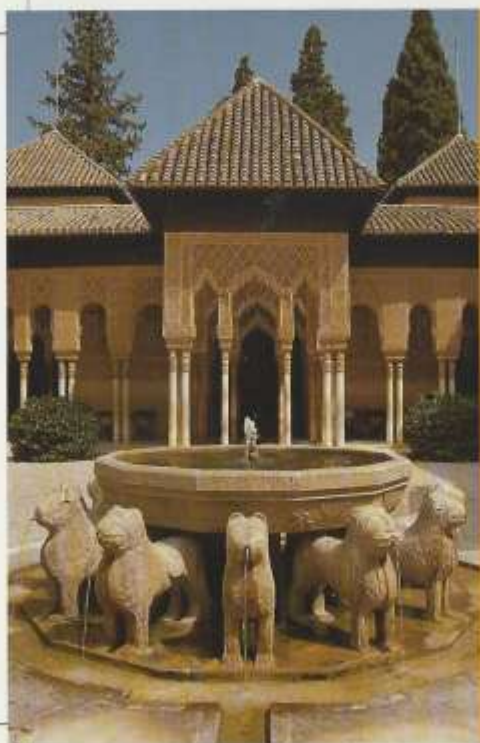
In Luxembourg, they have Bronze lion statue in front of the city hall



1970, photogravure

Granada have the Patio de los Leones (Court of the Lions) in the Alhambra Granada is an oblong court, 35 m in length by 20 m in width, In the centre of the court is the Fountain of Lions, an alabaster basin supported by the figures of twelve lions in white marble, not designed with sculptural accuracy but as symbols of strength and courage

Lions have been widely used in statuary to provide a sense of majesty and awe, especially on public buildings



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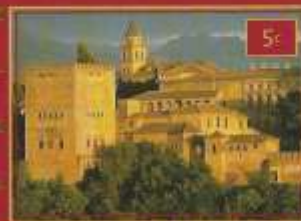


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*** Bayern Germany 1918 essay, original drawing, submitted for peace design Bavarian Bayern stamp

the Fountain of Lions in the Patio de los Leones (Court of the Lions)



1931, engrave, perf. 12½ ovpt muestra (specimen)

United Nations 2000, plate proof for the booklet pane, imperforate, pane of four with color indications

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7.6 Expression in human world - Sculpture

My son, Lion is not only made in large size statues, but many of them make in sculpture, in the form of smaller than our actual size, used as decoration outside and inside the house. Some example are ...

... lion ornament above the door ...



** 1937, Italy imprinted 30 Lire inland stationery card, sent from Massalombarda Laverna 21.8.1937 to Bologna

... lions attacking a bull bronze sculpture

5th century BC from Vouni Palace, Limnitis Cyprus ...



1980, specimen ovpt in red



1983, specimen ovpt in black, surcharged 150 mill to 15 c



1983, surcharged, change the currency from millimes to cent Cyprus

... porcelain lion sculpture of Soviet ...



1979, Soviet Union imprinted 4 Kopek stationery cover, used 22.9.1979 for local mail

... The Brunswick Lion (Braunschweiger Löwe) the best-known landmark in the city of Brunswick (Braunschweig) can found in any size ...



1987, German



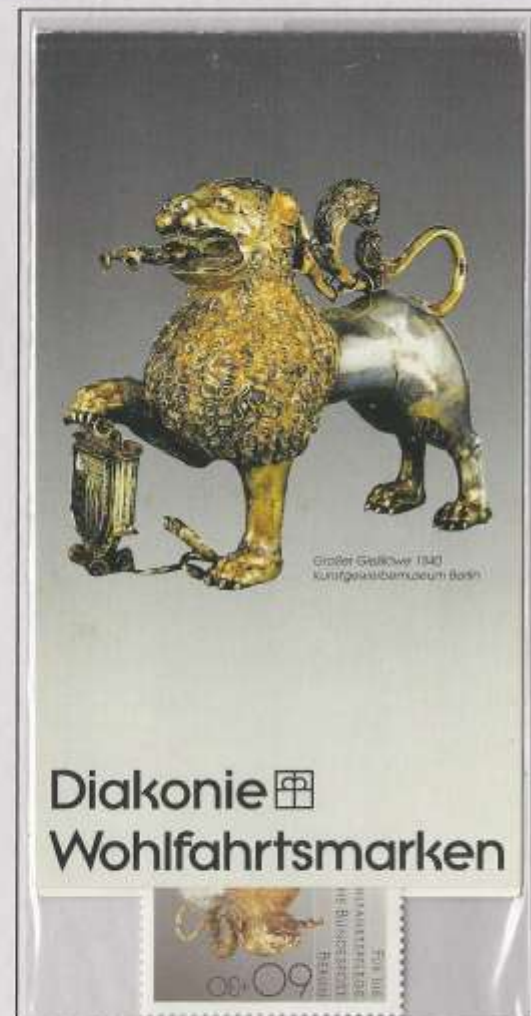
1983, German Berlin

... wooden lion sculpture hand carved by an artisan from Kenya ...



1963, photogravure

... Gold lion, 16th century by German goldsmith Joahim Worm ...



1988, Germany semi-postal stamp booklet surtax for welfare organization

... marble lion figurine of Pakistan ...



2003, perf. 13 x 12 3/4

... and of course Zwarovski crystal lion figurine



Personalized stamp

7.6 Expression in human world - Ornament

Lion is also widely used as a decoration or ornament relief of a building. Sometimes these ornaments become a major sign of the building, and even the name of the building, for example in ...

... The Lions' Gate in the Old City Walls of Jerusalem. ...



1968, perf. 13 x 14 with tab

... lion's head at Jupiter temple in Baalbeck Lebanon. Build 15th BC ...



1968, photogravure, perf. 12½

... Lion ornament in Lion Temple Al-Musawarat Al-Sufra, is a large Meroitic temple complex in Sudan, dating back to the 3rd century BC ...



** 1970, 1st step proof printing, Yellow



** 1970, 2nd step proof printing, Yellow + Blue



** 3rd step proof printing, Yellow + Blue + Black



** 4th step proof printing, Yellow + Blue + Black + Magenta

... The Lion Gate in the main entrance of the Bronze Age citadel of Mycenae, southern Greece. It was erected during the 13th century BC ...



1901, Greek PTPO card,
10 lepta Hermes stamp imprint
(for international usage)

... Bas-relief, arms of Bettencourt family ...



1988, lithography, specimen by
cancellation of stamp with diagonal line



... The Lion Gate of Mycenae is the sole surviving monumental piece of Mycenaean sculpture, as well as the largest sculpture in the prehistoric Aegean ...

... as well as
decoration at home ...

... lion head of the
sanctuary from
Epidauros Greece ...

... Lion head ornament,
part of building ornament



1983, Spain commemorative
rubber pictorial postmark

Lion ornament, Letter box



2011, lithography



1901, Greek PTPO card, 10 lepta Hermes stamp imprint (for international usage)

8.1 Government - National flag

SECOND LESSON TO MY SON, HUMAN LIKES US, THEY USED LION AS A SYMBOL

We have something to be proud of, my son. Not only commercial and sport clubs use lion for their identity, Some countries use lion as the country symbol. The lion appears on the National Flag of Sri Lanka. It is meant to symbolize the Sinhala people (*Sinhalese Singha = Lion*). Let we follow the flag of Sri Lanka evolution

Ancient Sri Lanka flag,
used until 1815



1980, perf. 13

Ancient Sri Lanka flag,
used 1948 - 1951



1980, photogravure

In 1948 the flag was adapted as the national flag
of the Dominion of Ceylon



Lion used in coat of arms of Spain, and it appears in the flag of Spain

Sri Lanka flag, used
1952 - 1972



1968, perf. 14

Sri Lanka flag,
used from 1972



1981, granite paper, lithography



8.1 Government - Currency

In human daily life, yes, we are always involved in it. The lion is used as an image in the coin and currency since ancient history until today. Let's look at some examples ...

A stylized Singapore lion symbol flanked by two stalks of paddy on Singapore 1 dollar coin issued 1967



1992, lithography, perf. 14½

The tetradrachme (Greek: τετράδραχμον) was an Ancient Greek silver coin equivalent to four drachmae. It was in wide circulation from 510 to 38 BC. One example was Tetradrachme de leontini, 460 BC



** 1975, engrave, trial color proof, (1) single color green and (2) multicolor green, red and grey, imperforate

Stater of Idalion, 460 BC



1972, lithography

Silver coin of Amathus, 499 BC



1928, perf. 12

Lion (Leone) as a currency name of Sierra Leone



1965, surcharge 1 pound to 2 Leones on 1961 issued stamp, engrave, since 1964 currency change from Pound to Leones



1993, perf. 13

Heraldic lion, reverse of 10 pence British coin 1992



Heraldic lion, in various Romanian 19th century coins



2007, lithography, perf. 13¼, sheet to commemorate 140 year modern Romanian monetary system

lion, reverse of Sierra Leone gold coin 1966



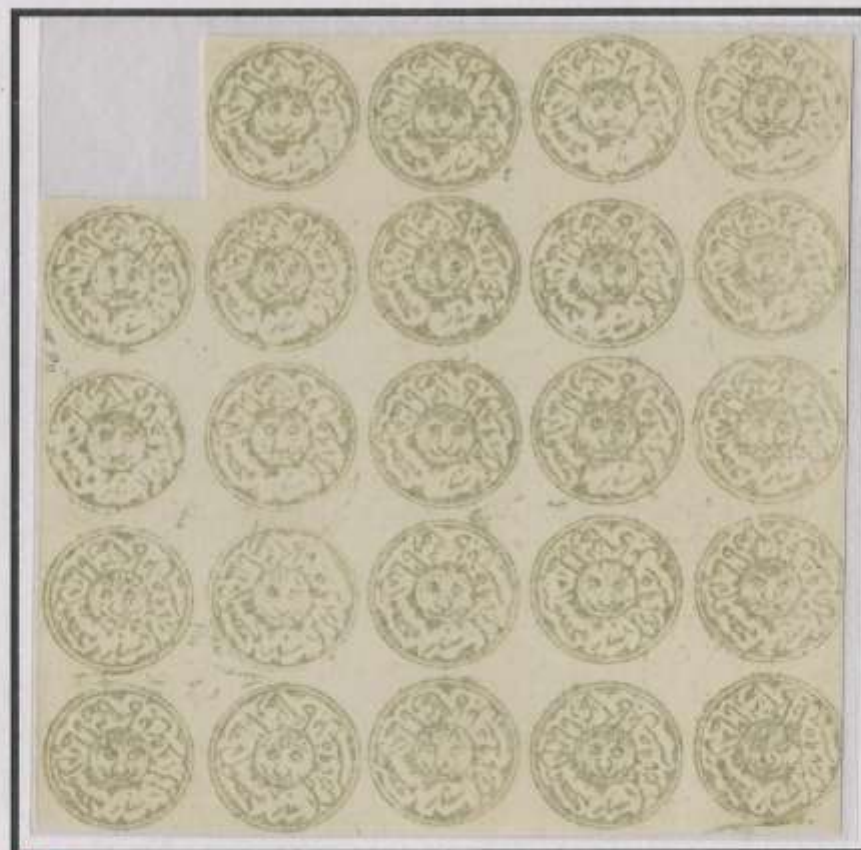
1966, lithography and emboss on gilt foil, die cut, self adhesive 74

8.1 Government - Sher Ali Khan Emir of Kabul

Sher Ali Khan was born in Kabul 1823, he is son of Dost Mohammad Khan, Amir of Kabul (1826-1839, 1843-1863). Sher Ali Khan regulated Afghanistan as Amir of Kabul (1871 - 1878). The early postal history in Afghanistan is credited to Sher Ali Khan, who established a postal system in 1871 as part of a program modernization in the Kingdom of Kabul. The first stamp appeared in 1871. Early design stamp featured a tiger head / lion head symbolizing the name of Sher Ali



*** 1878 complete sheet of 40 TASHKURGHAN 1 Shahi values, plate A in black



*** 1878 block of 24 KABUL 1 Sanar values, position 12 - 35 plate B in grey - green

Kabul issued 1877-1878



1 Shahi grey - green
Position no 28



1 Sanar grey - green
Position no 4



1 Abasi grey - green
Position no 9



½ Rupee grey - green
Position no 2



1 Rupee grey - green
Position no 5

Let us momentarily digress to discuss the use of "Tiger Head" to describe these stamps

In Dari and Urdu "sher" means lion

Dari is one of the main languages spoken in Afghanistan
Urdu is used in areas adjacent to Afghanistan

In Hindi "sher" means tiger

Hindi is not spoken in this area but in other areas of Pakistan and India
Perhaps the early English collectors of Afghan stamps and their perhaps closer association with Hindi may have resulted in this Sher Ali stamp being called Tiger Heads
Rather than renaming them Lion Heads they will continue to be referred to as Tiger Head issues

Under Sher Ali a new series of stamps was issued each year, the circular central design of which was a variant of the original Lion Head.
"New" issues were printed each year probably because the impressions on the stone wore out rather than a conscious decision to issue a new stamp each year

Tashkurghan issued 1877-1878



1 Shahi purple - violet
Position no 24



1 Shahi Black
Position no 32



½ Rupee purple - violet
Position no 2

Peshawar issued 1877-1878



1 Abasi grey
Position no 9



1 Rupee grey
Position no 4

Jalalabad issued 1877-1878



1 Shahi yellow - brown
Position no 30



1 Abasi yellow - brown
Position no 75

8.2 Heraldry - Type of position

We are commonly found in heraldry, traditionally symbolizing our bravery, valor and strength. The following positions of heraldic lions are recognized: Rampant, Passant, Salient, Statant, Sejant, Couchant and Dormant. Rampant Lion is the most design used ...

Lion rampant



* Finland test stamp, used to test the printer machine output

"Lion rampant" is depicted in profile standing erect with forepaws raised, the lion may stand on both hind legs, braced wide apart, or on only one, with the other also rose to strike

Lion rampant regardant



*** Bavaria 1898, telephone stamp, Used telephone stamp/receipt, paid for and canceled when a person made a phone call at the local PO back in the day. Possibly the earliest 'telephone card'

"lion passant" is walking, with the right fore paw raised and all others on the ground

Lion passant guardant



1940, thick gray-toned laid paper

1928, paper with blue network in parenthesis

*** Great Britain 1944, illustrated airgraph form, Pictorial design season greeting from HM Middle East Force

Write Address in large BLOCK letters wholly within this panel



THE ADDRESS MUST NOT BE TYPEWRITTEN

Franking Officer's Signature and Unit Censor Stamp Impression



Military Airgraph Service authorized by Egyptian Postal Administration

Write the message very plainly below this line

Date

Sender's Address

Lion statant guardant

"Lion statant" is standing, all four feet on the ground, usually with the forepaws together

XMAS
1944.



H.M. FORCES IN
THE MIDDLE EAST

GREETINGS
of the SEASON

FROM.
TO.

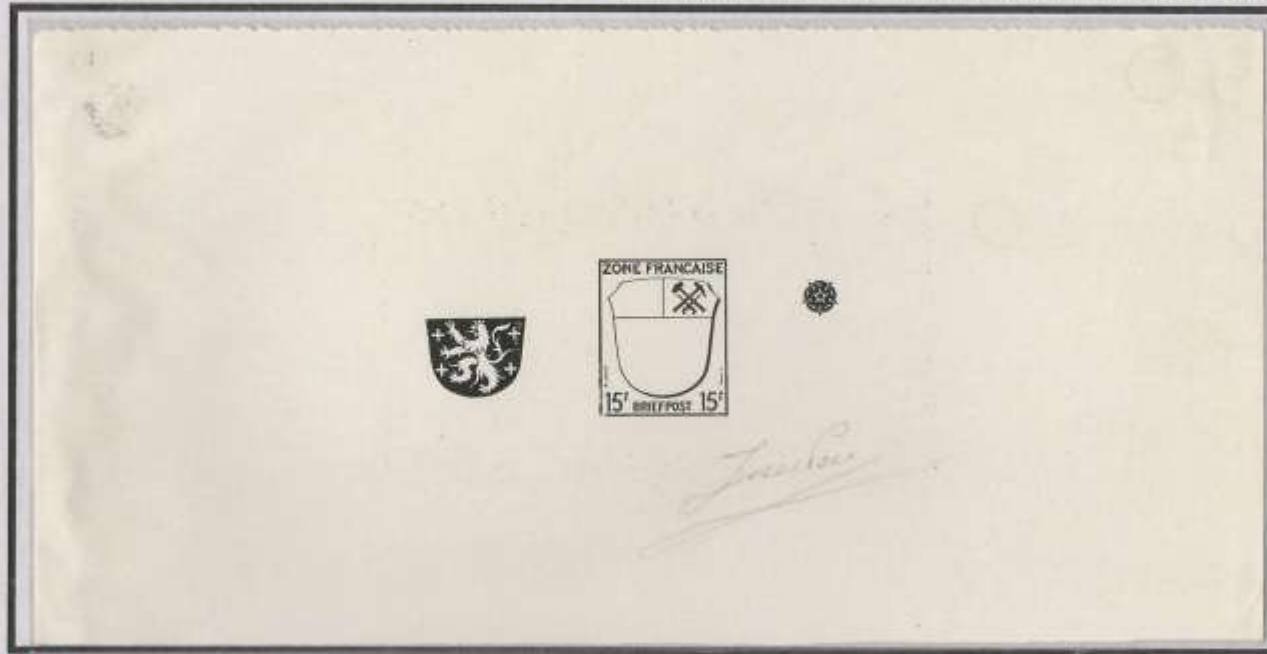


THIS SPACE SHOULD NOT BE USED

8.2 Heraldry - Lion rampant

Lion rampant is the position most widely used in heraldry. A "lion rampant" is depicted in profile standing erect with forepaws raised. The position of the hind legs varies according to local custom: the lion may stand on both hind legs, braced wide apart, or on only one, with the other also raised to strike; the word *rampant* is often omitted, especially in early blazon, as this is the most usual position of a carnivorous quadruped; the term *segreant* denotes the same position, but is only used in reference to griffins and dragons

lion rampant used in arms of Saar under France protectorate after World War II



France Zone in Germany, 1945
Separate test print of the three partial design in black on thin paper with pencil signature



France zone in Germany 1945
proof, on un-gummed coated paper, signed

lion rampant represent of Norway



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Norway 1955, test stamp for official stamp issues,
in green with "0" value and pin hole specimen



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Issued stamp strip of 3 with corrected number
89964 to 70495 on bottom margin

lion rampant represent of Gavardo, Brescia



1826, Local cover sent from Comune di Gavardo 18.5.1823 (Brescia Province)
in Lombardo Veneto (Austrian rule). Taxed 2 ct

lion rampant
represent of
Scotland
Great Britain



1989, lithography,
Gutter pair



2003, perf. 14 3/4 x 14,
syncopated,
printed by De La Rue



2006, from booklet
with printed margin



2012, reprint
printed by Cartor

lion rampant
represent of Belgium



** 1945 Fragment Bisect 3F rampant lion
stamp postmarked Machelen Brabant
15.IX.1945 on first day of
new tariff 1.50F inland letter rate

lion rampant
represent of Finland



** 1921, imperforate,
proof on light red paper

8.2 Heraldry - Lion rampant

Other terms are used to describe the lion's position in further detail. It should be noted that each coat of arms has a right and left (i.e. *dexter* and *sinister*) side - with respect to the person carrying the shield - so the left side of the shield as drawn on the page (thus the right side to the shield bearer) is called the dexter side. The lion's head is normally seen in agreement with the overall position, facing dexter (left) unless otherwise stated

lion rampant used in arms of British East Africa



Variety "Inverted S"



1902, Registered Uganda stationery cover ovpt on B.E.A. with additional franking. sent from Entebbe to Mombasa with twin circle cds ENTEBE MY 5 1902. Backstamp MOMBASA 15 my 1902. Rate for inland mail 18 Anna, register fee 2 Anna

each coat of arms has a right and left (i.e. *dexter* and *sinister*) side



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Danzig 1921, color trial proof imperforate

If his head only faces the viewer he is *guardant* or *gardant*



1992, Netherlands advertisement postage meter, used 15.7.1992, type Pitney Bowes-GB "5349". Six semi-circles along right side. "Nederland" at top right with stylized crown to its left

the dexter side

the sinister side



Luxemburg 1989, stamp booklet, photogravure, perf. 12 x 11½

If a lion's whole body is turned to face right, he is to *sinister* or *contourné*



1969, perf. 12 on 3 sides, from Booklet

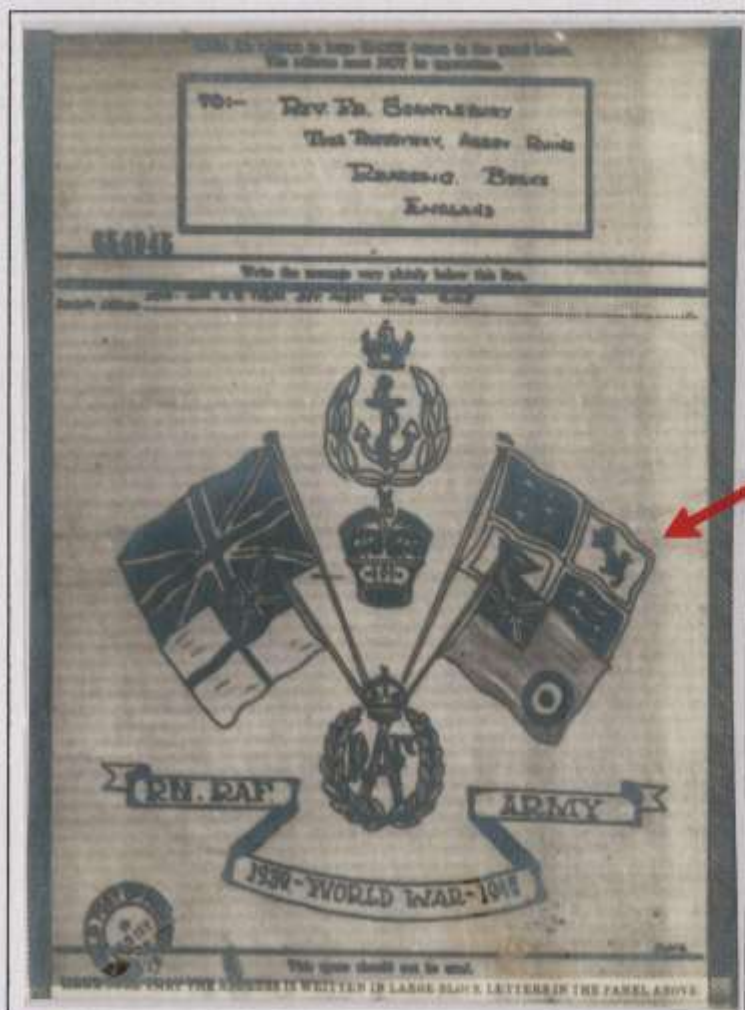
if he looks back over his shoulder he is said *regardant*



1986, Netherlands advertisement postage meter, used 30.12.1986, type Hasler "Smile". Spacing between centers of date and value figures 40 mm M# with "HR" prefix, 50000 and up

8.2 Heraldry - Lion passant

A "lion passant" is walking, with the right fore paw raised and all others on the ground. A "Lion of England" denotes a *lion passant guardant*



** 1945, Great Britain military airgraph sent to Reading Berks England

Lion passant on company arms



1999, Netherlands advertisement postage meter, used 28.12.1999, Type Francotyp "Cc" "NEDERLAND" unframed at top. No 'teeth' at sides of "CENT", Date figures with stops between D and M, and M and Y. Spacing 33 mm between centers of date and value figures

lion passant on Guernsey Arms



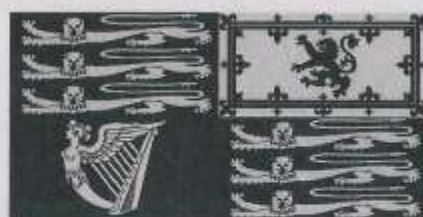
** Specimen, sample print from the printer Waterlow & Son Ltd

lion passant on Baden - Württemberg arms



1992, ovpt Muster (Specimen)

The Royal Standard of the United Kingdom is the flag used by Elizabeth II in her capacity as Sovereign of the United Kingdom and its overseas territories



The province of Leon used a stylized lion in passant position to adorn its nominal hand-stamp during some years before the emission of the first adhesive stamp of Spain ...



1975, perf. 12½ x 13

The Royal Standard of the United Kingdom used out with Scotland, featuring the Royal Standard of Scotland in the second quarter



1987, overprint in silver on 1986 issued, gutter pair between plate 1A and 1B

... this postal marking used during 1816 - 1817



*** 1816, folded letter sent from Leon 17 oct 1816 to Palencia. Internal red rate 5 "reales"

Lion of Judah with the lion passant position, carrying flags, used as symbol of emperor of Ethiopia



*** 1901, imprinted 1 Guerch King Menelik stamp stationery card with lion of Judah sent from Harare 20.1.1901 to Germany

8.2 Heraldry - Stamp design

Since medieval times, the lion has become an animal that is most widely used as the coat of arms. With the start of early usage of postage stamp in the world of postal system, many countries have been issuing stamps and stationeries with the design of lion in coat of arm and many other forms of lion designs. Some examples are as follows :

Lion used as a design for early stationery issued in Finland on 1845 ...



*** 1845, 10 kop. black stationery with watermark. W1, low box cancellation "KARIS 16. JUL. 1849" (e)



*** 1856 Oval arms 5 kop light blue, small pearl, wove paper, with ink cross and Helsingfors cancellation (e)



*** 1856 Oval arms 5 kop dark blue, large pearl, with ink cross (e)

... used as a design for first issued series Finland stamps on 1856 ...

used as a design for first issued series Tibet stamps on 1912



** 1912 Tibet 2/3t carmine imperforate with Error "POTSAGE" (e)
"POTSAGE" error is found on all shades of the 2/3t position 6 and 7

Coat of arm Hanover Germany, 1850



** 1850, typography

... used as a design for first issued series Persia stamps on 1870



*** Cliché type 1 (e)



*** Cliché type 3 (e)



*** Cliché type 4 (e)



*** Cliché type 5 (e)

From 5 Clichés available, the 1870 2 Shahi stamp only printed from Cliché type 1, 3, 4 and 5. The stamps printed in block of four by means of a hand press and they were then cut into singles by the postal employees and packets of one hundred were made of each value

... used as a design for first issued series stamps in Tuscany Italy on 1851 ...



** 1853, Cover with 2 cz Lion of Tuscany sent from Livorno dated 21 December 1853 to Firenze, arrived on 21 December 1853, with P.D. chop cancellation



*** 1856, 10 kop carmine-red on cover from Lovisa to Christinestad, tied with LOVISA 23. SEPT 1858 on cover + "1" and ink cross on stamp. The rate is the normal domestic long distance rate. (e)

Monogram of Sultan Ali bin Hamoud of Zanzibar, 1904

used as a design for Paraguay stamp on 1906



1906, error, shifted vertical perforation



*** 1904, Zanzibar proof on thick cardboard, dated 10 FEB 04

8.2 Heraldry - Mulready

My son, lion is also found in the Mulready design. The design incorporated a munificent Britannia at the centre top with a shield and a reclining lion surrounded on either side by a representation of the continents of Asia and North America with people reading their mail in the two lower corners, bestowing the benefits of mail services to the countries of the world under British control

The Mulready illustration was effectively a very elaborate frank indicating that postage had been pre-paid

... Penny Black ...

In the same way that the first postage stamps were issued in two values ...

1840, Penny black PL,
intense black,
brown-red Maltese cross



... and Two Pence Blue



* 1853, folded letter with two pence blue AA stamp, sent from red lion st. 28 MY 1853 to Lancashire

both the lettersheets and envelopes were issued in one penny and two pence values in the same black and blue colors as the same value postage stamps

1840,
Proof of mulready,
on india paper

My son, at that time, the quality of printer not as good as modern time. The color of printing can have a big difference from time to time ...



*** Mulready lettersheet, stereo a291 in PALE BLUE

... Look for the variety on printing shades of the Mulready



*** Mulready envelope, stereo a210 in BLUE



Mulready lettersheet, stereo a95 in DEEP BLUE

8.2 Heraldry - Bohemian lion

The double-tailed silver Bohemian lion represent of Czechoslovakia. The design is greatly influenced by Austrian heraldry since the country used to be a part of the Habsburg monarchy, and by German heraldry, but also shows Hungarian and Slavic influences. It used in early issued stamp as a symbol of country



1918, Scout Post 20h tied to cover by "NV" cancel with a "POSTA SKAUTU" cds at upper left dated "24 XI 1918" delivered by scout with 2 line cachet and signature

The white double-tale lion use in stamp design produced for special Scout postal services. The need for such services can be caused by certain situations, when the normal postal authorities are unable to operate, or it can be a supplement to the official postal services



1918, Genuine
"D" directly below "S",
missing nick in lion's
right knee

Genuine stamp with
forged overprint, blurred
printing and differences
in letters

Forgery type 1
"D" below left of "S",
nick in lion's right knee

Forgery type 2
Incorrect perforations,
significant differences
in the lion



1918, Genuine
Nick in lion's right knee,
tongue tip pointing
upwards

Genuine stamp with
forged overprint, blurred
printing and differences
in letters

Forgery type 1
Missing nick in right
knee, tongue tip
pointing downwards

Forgery type 2
Incorrect perforations,
significant differences
in the lion

the Czechoslovak Sea Scouts provided a Mail Delivery Service 7-25 November, 1918 in Prague for the National Committee of Liberation, while their country was having a new birth of freedom



** 1918, trial color
in blue



** 1918, trial color
in grey lilac



** 1918, trial color
in light brown

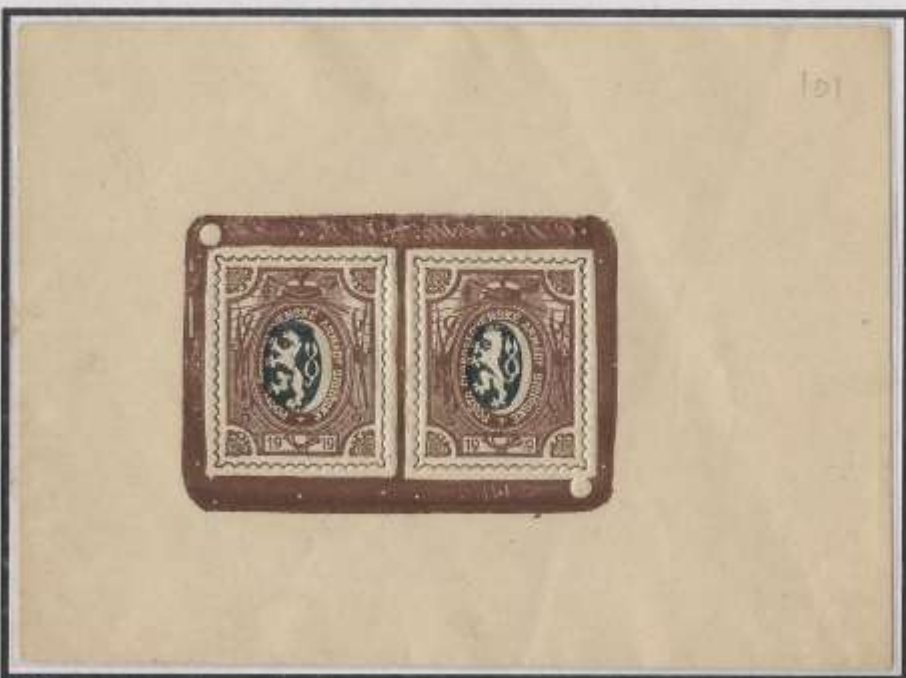


** 1918, trial color
in light blue



*** 1918, Scout Post 20h overprinted with "Prijezd presidenta Masarijk" tied by "NV" cancel with a "POSTA SKAUTU" cds at left dated "21 XII 1918"

In 1919 the Czechoslovak Army in Siberia issued stamps for military posts and use on the Siberian Railway



*** 1919, proof horizontal pair of Lion in oval,
military post Siberian issue, in brown and black color



1919, issue stamp type 1
small q at top left



1919, issue stamp type 2
big q at top left



** 1919, trial color
in grey and light brown



** 1919, trial color
in grey and red



** 1919, trial color
in green and red



** 1919, trial color
in grey and black



** 1919, trial color
in pale blue and gold



1919, error, folded and
partially perforated

8.3 Peace

Peace, in its most apocalyptic meaning, denotes a state of complete harmony, ending conflict not only between man and man but between man and the natural world, and among the creatures of the natural world ...

Peace also figured by Lion and the lady,
its symbol of strong and weak can live and stay together side by side

The lady carry some objects can be represented as ...



** 1941, German Reich commercial letter with advertisement postage meter, used 31.3.1941 Type Francotyp "D". Spacing approximately 67mm between centers of date and value figures. Without Serial number



... or the lady waving cloth in her hand,
where cloth denotes affection ...

1919, perf. 11½

... or the lady plying a harp,
where the music symbolizes serenity



** France 15 centimes imprinted PTPO letter card for inland usage

... the lady carry a series of olive leaf.
Olive leaf has been known as a symbol
of peace ...



1920, ovpt SAMOA type k
on 1919 New Zealand stamp

spirit of peace was evident by the picture on the letter
sent from the prisoner of war camp



*** 1916, Prisoner of war cover with special POW stamp postmarked HARDERWIJK 8.II.16 5.6N, marking "PORTVRJ FRANC DE PORT Militaires étrangers internés dans les Pays-Bas" in violet and oval military interment camp marking "INTERNEERINGSDEPOT 4e Afdeling HARDERWIJK" in violet. This letter sent from Harderwijk camp Netherlands 8.2.1916 to Belgium. The purpose of usage POW stamps was to control how many letters can be sent by the internees monthly. It used only on period 3 February - 15 February 1916 (mostly), but the German were afraid of espionage, they feared that usage of stamp would be easy to smuggle undesirable information under them. The German military authorities in Belgium had refused to accept the letters and had returned them with an imprint stamps "Zurück, weil unzulässig". The internees got their letter back and were informed of the circumstances

Lamb sat down with lions and doves
are also often become symbols of peace



2005,
lithography

8.4 Charity - Lions Club International

We have the world's largest service club organization, the Lions Club International. With great number of members, we must proud of what they did for developing people

Lions Clubs International (LCI) is a secular service organization founded in 1917 by Melvin Jones



In 1967 it had 800.000 member and 20.000 club all over the world.
As of April 2015, it had over 46,000 local clubs and more than 1.4 million members in over 200 countries around the world



1967, perf. 12½ x 13, gutter pair

Headquartered in Oak Brook, Illinois, United States, the organization aims to meet the needs of communities on a local and global scale



the Lions Motto is "We Serve"



Local Lions Club has their individual programs include sight conservation, hearing and speech conservation, diabetes awareness, youth outreach, international relations, environmental issues, and many other programs like ...



The organization became international on 1920, when the first club in Canada was established in Windsor, Ontario. Lions Clubs have since spread across the globe and have a current membership more than 1.35 million in over 200 countries worldwide

... amitié des peuples grâce au tourisme (Peoples' Friendship through tourism)



** 1966, Korea 1966, un-adopted original drawing for Lions International issue, watercolor on cardboard



1966, issue stamp, imperforate

In addition to adult Lions Clubs, the Lions family includes Lioness Clubs, Leo Clubs, Campus Lions Clubs and Lion Cubs



1967, issue overprint to commemorate 50th years anniversary of Lion's Club



Guinea 1967 original design of overprint on stamp to commemorate 50th years anniversary of Lion's Club **UNIQUE**

8.5 Commercial - Company logo

Lion is often used as a part of company logo around the world ...

... it can be a symbol of toughness, strength and supremacy. In short, my dear boy, we have a lot of companies around the world !!!!

Prudence life insurance company founded 1896 in Chicago. They using standing lion for his company logo



1930, USA advertisement postage meter, used 27.6.1930. Type Pitney Bowes "R" series. The value box has thirteen small stars at right

General agency "Büssing" established 1909, use lion on his company logo

		GENERALVERTRETUNG SEIT 1909 BÜSSING-WAGEN-VERTRIEB HUGO DAMMEYER - INH. KONRAD LEIDL	DEUTSCHE BUNDESPOST 020
Francotyp: Cc 1796		Kennzahl:	
Firma: Büssing-Wagen-Vertrieb Hugo Dammeier Inh: K. Leidl			
Post: (13b) München 8			
Motor	Nr.	Volt	PS
Uebersetzung: Motor	Mosch.	Riemen	
Geliefert: 4.4.1952			
Wertkartenbetrag: DM 100,--			
Postschlüssel:		Permutationsnummer: K 1871	
Klischee:	1 auswechselb.	fest	
Spezialeinrichtungen:			
Merkmale: 226.887			
Stolzenberg. 3000. 1. 52			
		GENERALVERTRETUNG SEIT 1909 BÜSSING-WAGEN-VERTRIEB K.u.M. Leidl <i>ausl. Kl. 24/11 58</i>	

Various headquarters and branch buildings of The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and the HSBC Group, feature a pair of lion sculptures. The HSBC lions have become distinctive landmarks in their own right



2004, lithography, with advertisement label

*** 1952, archived card from German postage meter factory Francotyp, so called "stammkarte" for each of the meter machines they delivered. It documenting the history of a particular machines. If any changing (repair or replacement) of the three parts of the meter mark (value head, date stamp and advertising field) all documented in this card. See the changing advertisement picture note. Type Francotyp "Cc"

Holländische Kaffe - Lagerei, Berlin

Holländische Kaffe-Lagerei
BERLIN W.

Hauptlager: Potsdamerstr. 27 nahe d. Brücke.	Filiale: Leipzigerstr. 63 hint. d. Spittelkirche.
Rohe u. geröstete Kaffees sowie Thees zu Engros-Preisen.	Preislisten sowie Muster franco u. gratis.

Wiederverkäufern günstige Bedingungen.

C. MAHNKOPF
BERLIN W.
131, Leipzigerstrasse
offeriert:

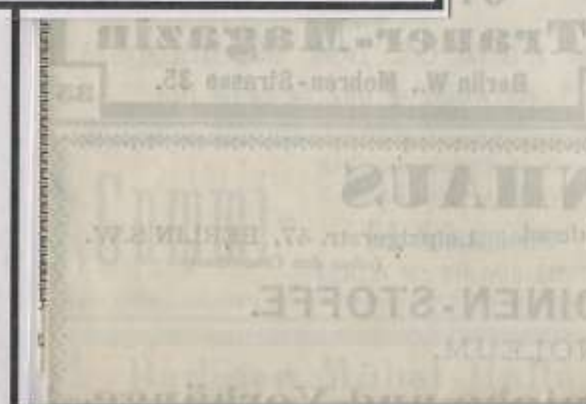
Singer A. *Beste Bezugsquelle in Nähmaschinen.* mit den neuesten Verbesserungen, allen Apparaten, Verschlusskosten und Verpackung. **Mark 54.** Für Güte und Leistungsfähigkeit meiner Maschinen leiste jede Garantie.

OSCAR LAUFER
BERLIN C. Spandauerstr. 15

The family business Peugeot company was founded in 1810 On 20 November 1858, Emile Peugeot applied for the lion trademark



1967, Netherlands advertisement postage meter, used 12.10.1967. Type Postalia "P", "NEDERLAND" at top with two lines below



1875, Germany imprinted 10 Pfennig on advertisement folded letter

8.5 Commercial - Company name / brand

Lion widely used as a part of company names and brands around the world. It can be a symbol of toughness, strength and supremacy. As lion is a King of the animal Kingdom, the use of lion in company name, can symbolize the company spirit that the company will be the leader in their field

Lion Oil Company was established in 1922. Lion Oil continues as a petroleum supplier with its headquarters located in El Dorado, Arkansas



1984, perf. 14, advertisement Tab Label

Central Hotel Lowen Feldkirch Austria is located in the centre of the old town of Feldkirch, a few minutes' walk from the castle



*** Belgium 1954, proof (ANNULE) advertising postal stationery card, Publibel 2015 Postal stationery "Publibel" is a postal cards with on the front at the left hand side an advertisement (products or touristic), printed in one or more colors. The advertisement was printed by the Belgian Agency of Post "Publibel", exclusive concessionaire, on the cardboard sheets, delivered by the stampworkroom of Mechelen

Hotel Schwär's Löwen located in the heart of the old town of Freiburg



1948, Belgium advertisement stationery card Publibel 741, imprinted 65 c small lion for inland postcard rate, effective 20-5-1946 to 15-12-1948 sent from Marchienne-au-Port 14.7.1948 to Bruxelles There are 2790 different "publibels" in existence which all have a specific advertisement. Each postcard has a serial number at the foot of the card on the left side

Lion lager is a flavored, golden beer that satisfies the thirst of a pride of natural leaders, Brewed by South African Breweries (SABMiller)



1973, South Africa advertisement postage meter. Type Pitney Bowes-GB "5000". Unified design with springbok head between TM and value box. Value box 19mm wide with complete frame line

*** 1989, specimen Germany advertisement postage meter on card board for letter printed matter and printed matter, tested on 5-7-89 Type Francotyp-Postalia "MS4/MS5 WK", Spacing ~36-37 mm between centers of date and value figures. Value figures thin and narrow, 4.5 mm tall. M# with "B" prefix

8.6 Sport

The lion's power represents bravery, strength and victory and that tradition remains strong today. We must be proud of it my son. Hundreds of sports teams around the world are named after lion, some examples are ...

BC Lions,
Canadian football club ...



2012, Peel and stick stamp

... the Detroit Lions American football club USA ...



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1954, USA advertisement postage meter, used 15.7.1954
Type Pitney Bowes models "CV5"
"P.B.METER (number)" in bottom panel. Frank 23½-24 mm square
Spacing between TM and frank medium (11-12 mm). Meter numbers 58000 series

... the Three Lion,
England Football National Team ...



1999, rubber pictorial Postmark

By airmail-Air letter
Par avion - Aerogramme
Troimh'n phost-adhair/Litr-adhair

... and the Golden Lions, the free fall parachute display team
of the Scottish Infantry Regiments, Army Champions, 1979



United Kingdom proof uncut 14p QE II stamp imprint stationery aerogramme, with color guide

9.1 Zoo point of interest

My son, we are now living in a modern zoo that gives protection to us. In return, people can see us closely with no fear. A zoological garden or zoo is a place where animals are restricted within artificial environments and exhibited to the public



Germany 1962, Slogan pictorial postmark, "Visit Us in Zoo" used 24.3.1962

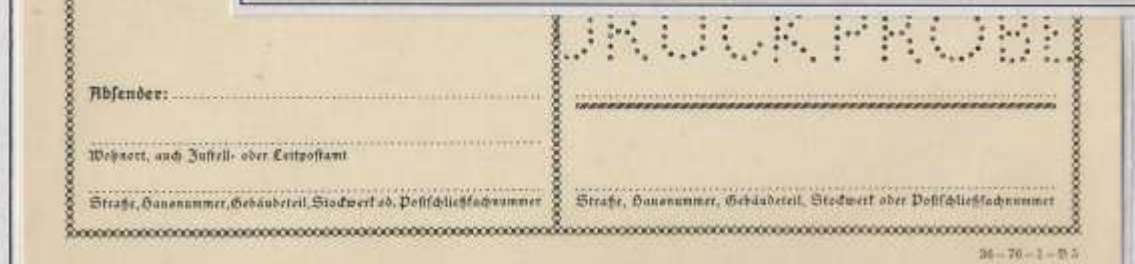
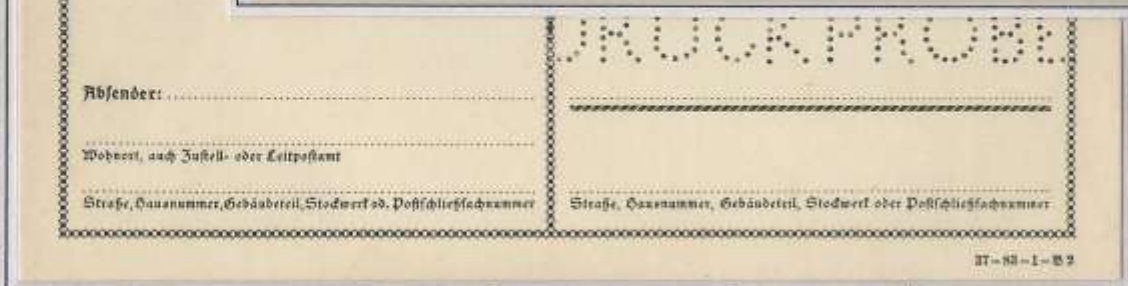
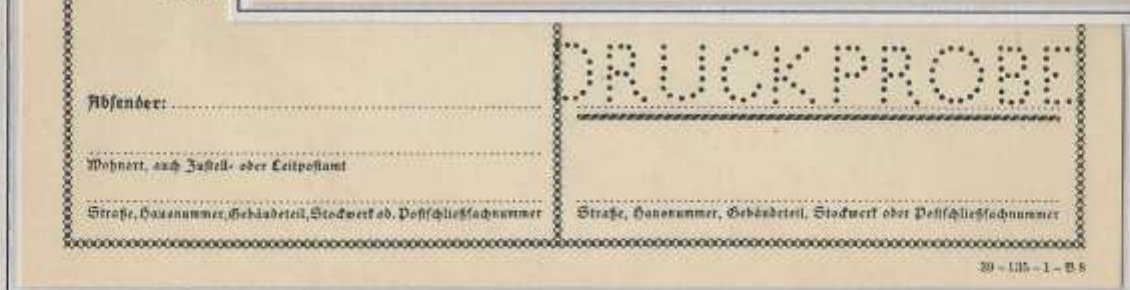
Lion is one of most attractive point of interest to visit zoo ...

Singapore zoo, famous for night safari show



1990, perf. 14

... now so-called "Free Environment" in modern zoos recreated the natural habitat and combine with entertainment



** Germany 1936-1941 proof print of 6 Pfennig Hindenburg Medallion stamp view card (tourist publicity card) with different production code

36-76-1-B5

Reading production code 36-76-1-B5
36 - year number (last two digit of the year 1936)
76 - series number
1 - the printing cylinder number
B5 - the bild (view) number

Zoo is the last alternative to preserve lions. People can see what kind of lion near extinction, like the white lion



2011, lithography



2003, lithography, imperforate proof

9.2 Circus star

I was once a member of circus, I tell you. I am very proud of my shows in the circus, one of the most visitors' favorite parts. A circus is most commonly a traveling company of performers that may include acrobats, clowns, trained animals, and other novelty acts and the word also describes the performance that they give

Circus usually takes performance in every fair with many attractions ...



** Great Britain 1983, photo essay, proposed to the British Fair issue, signed by the designer Andrew Restall

... with a wide variety of attractions in the circus, both human and animal skills ...

... such as games bracelet



1965, photogravure

... and the funny clown



2002, perf. 13¼ x 13½

The lion attractions always be excellent ...



2002, Great Britain commemorative pictorial postmark

Lion show is an event which attracts a lot of visitors to see the circus, and of course the funny clown show for children

... Lion often used for promotional circus performance ...



1999, lithography

... lion tamer attraction was always thrilling when my coach put his head into my mouth ...



2002, perf. 14¼ x 14½

... or when I jumped crossing over the ring of fire ...



2002, perf. 13

... even when I was spoiled with clowns dressed coach



2002, photogravure

... assisted with a variety of promotional media ...



1989, German slogan pictorial postmark, promote circus

... with magnificent circus tent



1989, semi-postal stamp, ovpt Muster (Specimen), surtax for national youth welfare organizations

A circus is held in an oval or circular arena with tiered seating around its circumference

... also a very thrilling attraction, walking with a balance on a tightrope ...



1970, Soviet Union imprint 4 kopek stationery cover, used 10.2.70 for inland mail

9.3 Film star and film industry icon

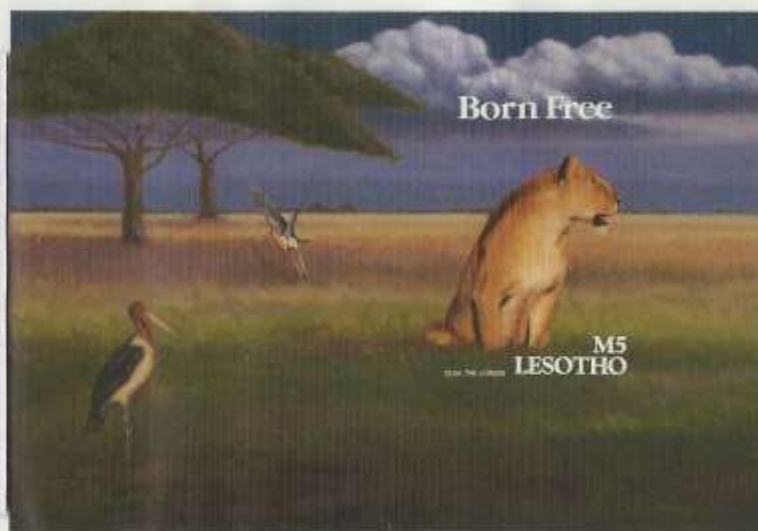
With a strong character, a lion made an icon such as the MGM film industry and also starred in several films. Some of them are the famous of all time, including Madagascar, Born Free, Disney cartoon and Narnia. Well, my son, humans always put their memories of us in their films

Madagascar is a 2005 American computer-animated comedy film. The film tells the story of Alex the lion and three Central Park Zoo animals ...



2005, monochrome print

Born Free is a 1966 British drama film a real-life couple who raised Elsa the Lioness, an orphaned lion cub, to adulthood, and released her into the wilderness of Kenya



*** Lesotho 1991, lithography, imperforate, proof for approval, prepared by the printer agency, the House of Questa

The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe based on the novel with the same title, is the first official film in the series



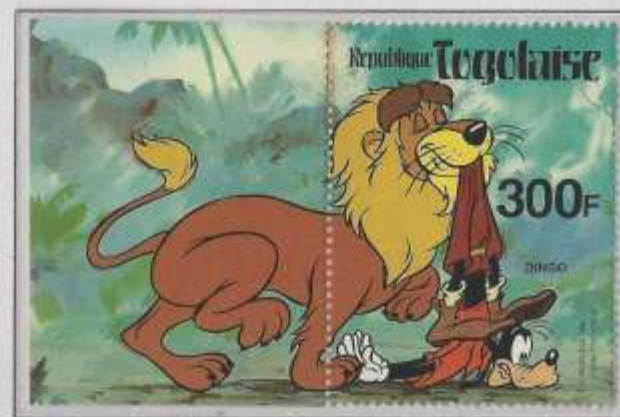
2005, perf. 13%

The film was released theatrically starting on December 9, 2005. The film grossed over \$745 million worldwide, making it the 44th highest grossing film worldwide of all



** 1998, perf. 15 x 14, Variation partially horizontal imperforate

Walt Disney cartoon movie production, starring Donald, Mickey, Pluto, Goofy, etc. sometimes interact with lions in their story



1980, perf. 11 with printed margin

The Metro Goldwyn-Mayer lion has roared on movie screens throughout the world, seen here on corporation's letterhead. The logo, which features Leo the Lion, was created by Dietz in 1916 for Goldwyn Pictures and updated in 1924 for MGM's use.



** 1959, Germany advertisement postage meter, used 6.7.1959 type Francotyp "C"

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios Inc. or simply MGM, is an American media company, involved primarily in the production and distribution of films and television programs



*** Estonia imprint 10 sen coat of arms stamp advertising lettersheet, for domestic usage

9.4 Safari park main attraction

A safari park is a zoo-like commercial tourist attraction where visitors can drive their own vehicles and observe the wildlife rather than viewing animals in cages or small enclosures. Safari parks usually use bigger area than our zoo, my son

In the safari park, visitor drive in their own vehicles and observe the wildlife closely ...



1970, Germany 20 Pfennig imprint PTPO card, used 5.1.1970

A safari park larger than a zoo, but a very small area compared to game reserves in Africa

Safari parks often have other associated tourist attractions: lodges, restaurants and gift shops



1982, lithography



2000, perf. 13 x 13½

The first drive-through safari park outside of Africa opened in 1966 at Longleat in Wiltshire, England.

Longleat, Windsor, Woburn and arguably the whole concept of safari parks were the brainchild of Jimmy Chipperfield (1912-1990)



1976, Great Britain commemorative pictorial postmark

... especially for seeing lion, the most attractive animal in safari park ...



1972, Sweden 1.25 Kron IRC. An international reply coupon (IRC) can be exchanged for one or more postage stamps representing the minimum postage for an unregistered priority airmail letter of up to twenty grams sent to another Universal Postal Union (UPU) member country. IRCs are accepted by all UPU member countries

... they can see the lion and the prey at close range, but is limited by a safety wire

HERBERT BRUNHÖBER & CO. HAMBURG 1
09.8.51

Herbert Brunhöber & Co.
Haare · Fasern · Borsten
Hamburg 1
Altstädterstraße 6
(SPRINKENHOF - MITTELPORTAL)

DEUTSCHE BUNDESPOST
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Motor Nr. Volt PS
Uebersetzung: Motor Masch. Riemen
Geliefert: 10.8.1951
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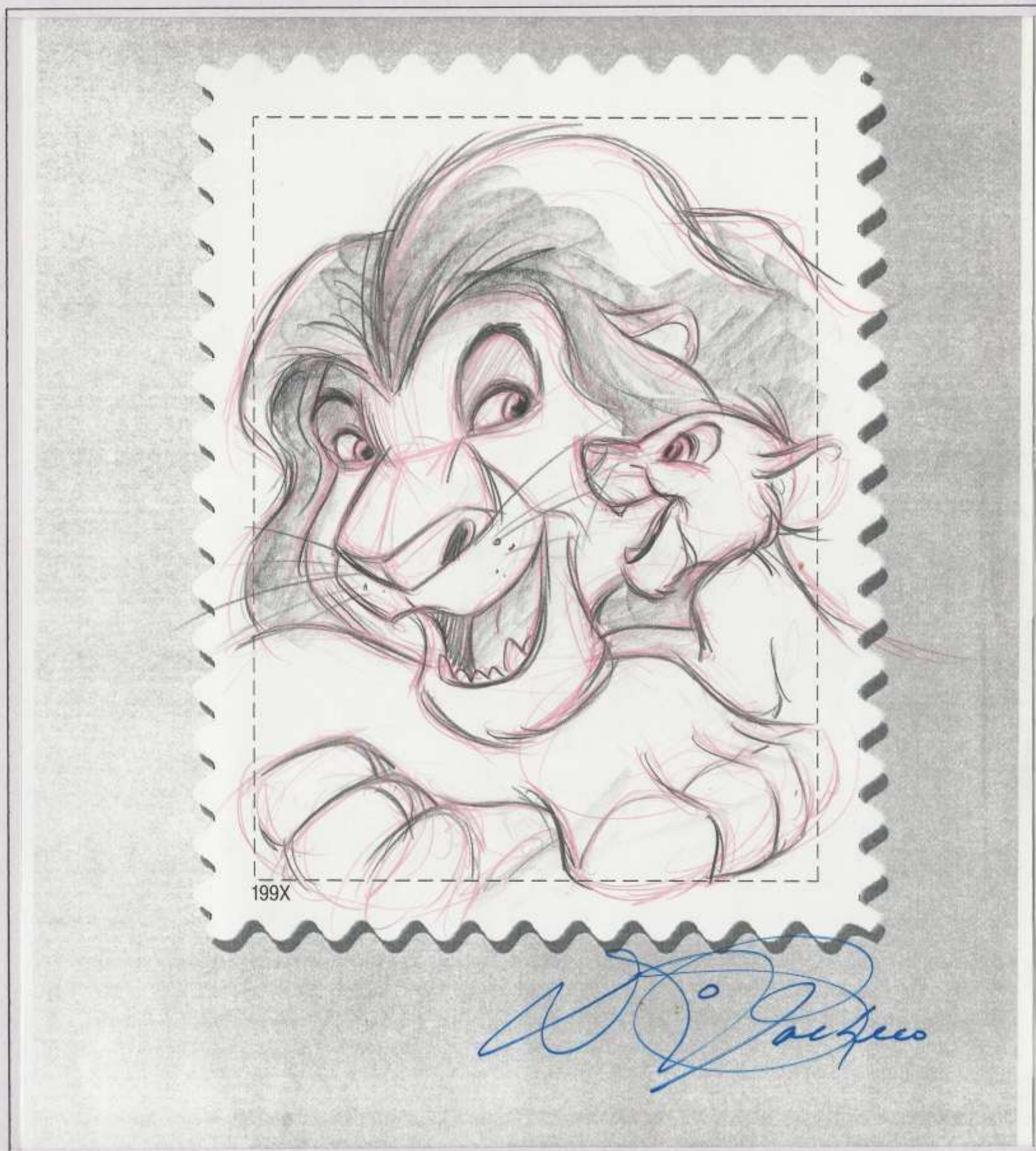
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K.Chellaram & Sons G.m.b.H.
HAMBURG 1
Burchardstr. 8

*** 1951, archived card from German postage meter factory Francotyp, so called "stammkarte" for each of the meter machines they delivered. It documenting the history of a particular machines. Any changing of the three parts of the meter mark (value head, date stamp and advertising field) all documented in this card. See the changing advertisement picture note. Type Francotyp "Cc" 91

9.5 Cartoon / animation actor

Many lions appeared in a wide variety of cartoon stories. Walt Disney made a lot of story with lions character. The most famous one is the Lion King
Lion used as a main actor in Walt Disney cartoon animation "The Lion King"
The filmmakers have said that the story of The Lion King was inspired by the Joseph and Moses stories from the Bible and William Shakespeare's Hamlet
However, certain elements of the film, bear a resemblance to a famous 1960s Japanese anime television show, Kimba the White Lion

Simba, the newborn son of the lion king Mufasa in "The Lion King" story



Lion with Donald, Mickey and Goofy in "Safari Club" story



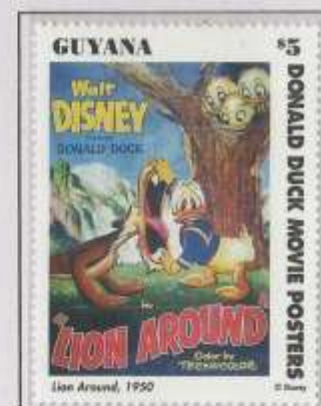
1994, perf. 14 x 13½

Lion with Donald in "Frank duck brings 'em alive" story, 1946



1992, lithography

Lion with Donald in "lion around" story 1950



1993, perf. 14 x 13½



2004, issue stamp, self adhesive, serpentine die cut, perf. 10½ x 10½

In an effort to lion conservation, human kids are now taught that the lion is not an animal to be fear of and slaughter

Detailed images of male and female lion published in the "Naturalist Library" book, mammalia series volume II "FELINE" by Sir William Jardine, Bart. F.R.S.E. Published by Longman, Edinburg in 1834 The "Naturalist Library" books advertised in backside of mulready envelope containing Edinburg Envelope Advertiser No 1, August 12, 1840

... The children learn about lion in the class ...

No. 1. { AUGUST 12. } 1840.

EDINBURGH ENVELOPE ADVERTISER

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NATURALISTS' LIBRARY.
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8. BIRDS OF WESTERN AFRICA, Vol. II. Thirty-four Coloured Plates; with Portrait and Memoir of LE VAILLANT.
9. BIRDS OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND, Part I. Thirty-six Coloured Plates; with Portrait and Memoir of Sir ROBERT SMITH.
10. FLYCATCHERS; their Natural Arrangement and Relations, Thirty-three Coloured Plates; with Portrait and Memoir of BARON HALLER.
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TYPE FOUNDERS, that, for supplying Printers in general, they have recently added to their stock of PERCUSES and MATRICES, many Roman and Italian new faces, of the most handsome and durable shape, with metal of the first-rate quality;—and as
STEREOTYPERS, that their additional premises, now in the course of erection, will be ready in a few weeks, for Stereotyping to Authors, Publishers, and Printers, throughout the Kingdom.
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M. VIGNES begs leave most respectfully to thank his Friends and the Public generally, for the liberal encouragement he has received since he entered the above establishment, and to assure them that he is always anxious to promote their comfort, by strict attention and regularity in every department, which he hopes will ensure him an increased share of their favours.
FAMILIES, VISITING EDINBURGH, and COMMERCIAL GENTLEMEN, will find this Hotel one of the most comfortable and conveniently situated of any in the city. The Charges are, in every instance, strictly moderate;—the Provisions of the best quality;—and the WINE, SPIRITS, and MALT LIQUORS, of the finest kind.
A splendid BILLIARD TABLE, newly fitted up in the room immediately above the Coffee-Room; there is nothing superior to it in the city.
Edinburgh, August 1840.

TO FAMILIES VISITING EDINBURGH.
PRIVATE HOTEL.
D. SUTHERLAND (late of Abercromby Place) begs to return his grateful acknowledgments to the Nobility and Gentry for the liberal patronage bestowed on him since opening his present Establishment, No. 128 GEORGE STREET, which he has elegantly furnished; and, from its central sit-



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I. Assurance of a fixed sum may be effected at 3 rates of Premium, without addition from Profits.

EXAMPLE.—For an Assurance of £100.

Age.	Annual Premium.	Age.	Annual Premium.
25	1/6	35	1/6
30	1/6	40	1/6
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25	1/6	35	1/6
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III. Parties given, on annual or Assignm

EXAMPLE.—For

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30	1/6	40	1/6
35	1/6		
40	1/6		

IV. Premium limited number

EXAMPLE.—For an Assurance of £100.

Age.	Sum	Payable only 10 yrs.	Payable only 15 yrs.
25	1/6		
30	1/6		
35	1/6		
40	1/6		

I. Be found in

** 1928, Congo Belgium 45 c imprint palm stamp stationery card, uprated 15c to pay the rate of sending postcard from Thysville 10.8.1928 to Bruxelles Belgium

in early childhood education, began to be taught ...



2004, self adhesive, perf 10 1/2 x 11

... lion is not a beast which like killing people



1987, perf. 14

Lions are also depicted in cheerful



2009, photogravure

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**** 1840, Great Britain advertising one penny Mulready envelope for inland usage, sent from Dundee 23 Oct 1840 to Edinburg The one penny Mulready ranks as the world's oldest postal stationery It has advertising on the inside. As further sheets of writing paper could be enclosed, such advertising did not deter use In order to encourage customers to buy envelopes with advertising, the usual sales price of 15 pence was reduced to 9 pence per dozen

10.2 World Wildlife Fund for Nature (WWF)

World Wildlife Fund (WWF) founded in Switzerland, 1961

and is working on issues regarding the conservation, research and restoration of the environment
In 1986, WWF realized that its old name no longer reflected the scope of its activities

The name was changed into World Wide Fund for Nature, retaining the WWF initials
The United States and Canada, however, retained the full old name, World Wildlife Fund for Animals

... Prince Bernard was the WWF founder and first President of WWF



1971, photogravure

The Giant Panda is mascot of WWF ...



1971, lithography

... and HRH The Duke of Edinburgh is President Emeritus of WWF ...



1987, INVERTED CENTER, lithography, perf. 12½ X 13

We regret the extinction of species in the world, like a Barbary lion (*Panthera leo leo*) that is no longer exist
Let's save the lion from now



2012, lithography, with pictorial label



1999, perf. 13¼ x 13, issue stamp

The first lion (*Panthera leo nubica*) on stamp with WWF logo was issued by Burundi in 1983



1983, photogravure, limited issue, ovpt with WWF logo, imperforate

All the endangered species issued on stamp with WWF cooperation can be found on specialized catalogue



* 2003, lithography, imperforate proof

Asiatic lion in India, was endangered species. To promote for conservation and raising fund, India issued Asiatic lion stamp with WWF logo on 1999



**** India 1999 adopted original drawing, watercolor on cardboard, signed by General Manager of India Security Press **UNIQUE**

The other African lion (*Panthera leo senegalensis*) also promote to conserve with WWF, issued by Ghana in 2004

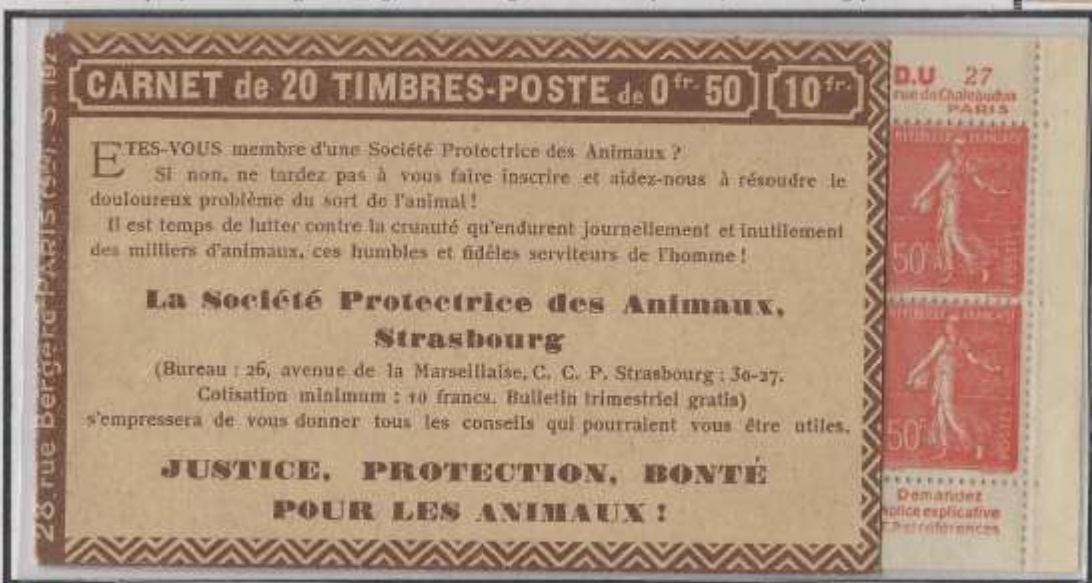


2004, perf. 14 with pictorial margin and WWF logo

10.3 Global campaign endangered species

An endangered (EN) species is one which has been categorized by the International Union for Conservation of Nature as likely to become extinct. Conservation biologists use the IUCN Red List, where "endangered" is the second most severe conservation status for wild populations, following critically endangered

Many nations have laws that protect conservation reliant species, for example, forbidding hunting, restricting land development, or creating preserves



*** 1926, France booklet consisting 20 x 50 centimes stamps

The African lion conservation strategy focuses on three primary objectives to address threats that directly impact lions: to reduce lion-human conflict, and to conserve and increase lion habitat and wild prey base ...



*** Bayern Germany 1918 essay, original drawing, designer Prof. L. Hohlwein, submitted for peace design Bavarian Bayern stamp

The IUCN Red List of Threatened Species (also known as the "IUCN Red List" and "Red Data List"), created in 1963, is the world's most comprehensive inventory of the global conservation status of plant and animal species. It is maintained by the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources



** Korea 1996, proof print, imperforate, issued to commemorate the first session of the world conservation congress

Conservation status
African lions are listed as Vulnerable by the 2012 IUCN red list. The Asiatic lion (*P.l.persica*) is classed as Critically Endangered. Threats include hunting, loss of habitat and human encroachment



... for the Asiatic Lion, resolving human Lion-conflict is a high priority, as well as establishing a second wild population 95

10.4 The development of national park

Just in time, some good people acted to save the lion. They worked to have save areas set aside - game preserves and national parks - in which we were sometimes fully protected from humans with guns ...

... because now maintained by the National Park rangers

Lion can live with other animals ...

... including the prey animals ...



2001, lithography



**
1935, proof with small and large punch hole, from printer's archive

... in their natural habitat



** 1972, specimen Great Britain advertisement meter stamp, type Pitney Bowes "CV"

... some established national park as wildlife parks and game preserves protected habitats for lions and other animals ...



*** Congo Belgium 1942 plate proof with security punch hole, and printing notation. This proof from the printer house, core piece of the archive sheet with correction remarks, printing instruction and number of copies to be printed



**** Tanzania 1993 adopted original artwork, watercolor on cardboard with acetate overlay for lettering. **UNIQUE**



1993, perf. 12, issue stamp

... more and more often, safaris were for people carrying cameras, not guns



1983, lithography, gutter with black printing

At the same time, a wave of new studies shed light on the life of the lion. Closed the dark period of lion hunting