

Dutch Colony of the NETHERLAND INDIES

1801 - 1949

1864, Apr 1

King William III design

unwatermarked, imperf, engraved



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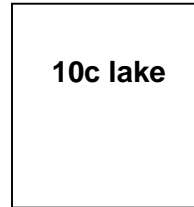
*probably privately
perforated*

Scott notes: "privately perforated examples of No. 1 sometimes are mistaken for No. 2"

1868

King William III design

unwatermarked, perf 12½ x 12, engraved



10c lake

2

1870 – 1888

King William III design

unwatermarked, typo, multiple perms (11½ x 12, 12½ x 12, 13 x 14, 13½, 13 ½ x 14, 14)

Type I
"CENT" 6 mm

Type II
"CENT" – 7½ mm



3 (type I)
perf: 13½ x 14
small holes



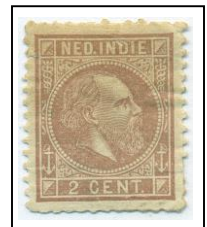
4 (type II)
perf: 12½ x 12
small holes



5 (red brown)
perf: 12½ x 12
large holes



5a (fawn)
perf: 12½ x 12
large holes



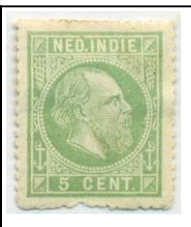
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7
perf: 12½ x 12
large holes



8
perf: 11½ x 12
large holes



8a
perf: 14
small holes



9
perf: 12½ x 12
large holes



10
perf: 12½
small holes



11
perf: 12½ x 12
large holes



12
perf: 12½ x 12
large holes



12a
perf: 14
small holes



13
perf: 12½ x 12
large holes



13c
perf: 14
large holes



14
perf: 12½
large holes

Large Holes

Small Holes

According to Scott Catalogue:
"Small hole" varieties have the spaces between the holes wider than the diameter of the holes".



15
perf: 12½ x 12
large holes



15c
perf: 14
large holes



16
perf: 12½ x 12
large holes



16c
perf: 14
large holes

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1883 - 1890 Numeral design unwatermarked, typo, perf 12 ½



17



18
perf: 12½

18a
perf: 12½ x 12



19



20



21
small holes



22

1883 - 1890 Young Queen Wilhelmina design unwatermarked, typo, perf 12 ½



23



24



25



26



27



28



29



30



collectors
backstamp

Dutch Colony of the NETHERLAND INDIES

1900, July 1

Queen Wilhelmina stamps of the Netherlands, overprinted and surcharged in black

Due to the a shortage of stamps, stamps of the Netherlands were surcharged/overprinted and used.
unwatermarked, typo, perf 12 ½



31



32



33



34



35



36



39
perf 11½ x 11



39a
perf 11

1902 – 1909

Numeral Design

unwatermarked, typo, perf 12 ½



38



39
1909



40



41
1908



42



43



44



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1902

1883-90 Numeral designs surcharged in black

unwatermarked, typo, perf 12 ½



46



47

The arrival of the Queen Wilhelmina stamps issued in 1903 were delayed from the printer Jon. Enschede and Sons Ltd. Therefore older stamps needed to be surcharged for intra Dutch Indies and Netherland bound printed materials until the new stamps arrived.

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1903 - 1908
Queen Wilhelmina Design
unwatermarked, typo, perf 12 1/2



48



49



50



50a
overprint 2 bars



51



52



53



54



55



56



57

1905, Jul 6
Queen Wilhelmina Design, surcharged in black

When the Netherland Indies postal authorities received notice that the color of the 20c stamp was changed to olive green, they were also instructed to sell remaining stock at 10c. The stamps were locally overprinted to reflect the new value.



58

1905 - 1912
Large Queen Wilhelmina Design
unwatermarked, typo, perf 11 x 11 1/2



59



59a
Perf 11 1/2 x 11



60



61



61a
perf 11 1/2



61c
perf 11

**2 1/2g on slate
blue on blue**

62

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1908, July 1

Definitive stamps overprinted "BUITEN // BEZIT" (Outside Possessions) in black

These stamps were overprinted for use in territories outside of Java and Madura



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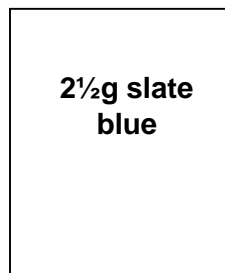


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Perf 11½ x 11



80

Dutch Colony of the
NETHERLAND INDIES

1908, July 1

Definitive stamps overprinted "JAVA" in black

These stamps were overprinted for use in the territories of Java and Madura



81



81a
inverted



82



83



84



85



86



87



88



89



90



91



92



93



94



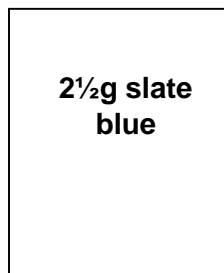
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96



97
perf 11



98

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THESE ISSUES SHOULD NOT BE SOAKED. Some of the earlier issues in this series were printed in water soluble inks, where the design disappears when submersed in water.

1912 - 1940
Definitive stamps, Numeral and Queen Wilhelmina designs
typo, perf 12½



101



102



103



1930

104



105



1922

106



107



1929

108



109



1928

110



1930

111



112



1922

113



1928

114



1940, litho printing

114A



115



1922

116

Dutch Colony of the
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continued

1912 - 1940
Queen Wilhelmina Design
unwatermarked, typo, perf 12½

1914



117

1914



118

1922



119

1929



120

1915



121

1915



122

1922



123

1932



124

1915



125

1915



126

1915



127

1922



128

1929



129

1922



130

unwatermarked, engraved, perf 11½

1920



131

1913



131a
perf 11 x 11½

1931-32



131b
perf 12½

1923



132

1923



133

1920



134

1913



134a
perf 11 x 11½

1931



135
perf 12½

1920



136

1931



136b
perf 12½

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1915, Jun 10

Semi Postal Stamps – surcharge goes to the Red Cross
Definitive stamps surcharged with cross in carmine
 typo, perf 12½

Surtax went to the Red Cross Society and was split 3 ways:
 50% - Aid in the Dutch East Indies
 25% - Aid for within the Netherlands
 25% - Aid for Curacao



B1



B2



B3

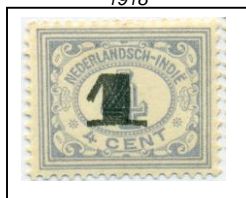
The following sets of stamps were surcharged at various times to get rid of surplus stocks of stamps

1917 - 1918

Definitive stamps surcharged in black
 typo, perf 12½



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1922, January

Queen Wilhelmina Designs surcharged in red or blue
 unwatermarked, typo, perf 12½



144



145



146



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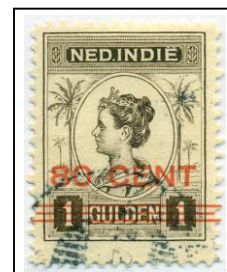
147a
 bars more closely spaced



148



149



150

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On September 8th, 1922, stamps were overprinted to publicize the 3rd Netherland Indies Industrial Fair at Bandoeng, Java. The stamps were sold at a premium.

1922, Sept 8 Stamps of 1912-40 overprinted typo, perf 12½



102a

**2c yellow
brown,
blue overprint**

103a

**2½c light red,
green
overprint**

106a

**3c yellow, red
overprint**

107a

**4c ultra, red
overprint**

109a

**5c green, red
overprint**

113a

**7½c drab blue
overprint**

115a

**10c lilac,
black
overprint**

116a

**12½c on
22½c
orange,
blue
surcharge**

145a

**17 ½ c red
brown,
black
overprint**

121a

**20c blue,
black
overprint**

123a

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1921, Nov 1

Marine Insurance Stamps – Artistic Vision of a Floating Safe

unwatermarked, engraved, perf 11 ½

Marine Insurance Stamps: Due to the sinking of several ships which captured the media, a Dutch inventor, Cornelis Van Blaaderen invented a "floating safe" and convinced the Dutch government to put them on the Nederland Line, between the Netherlands and the Netherlands East Indies. Marine Insurance stamps were issued on 1 Nov, 1921. Sale for this service was only in the hundreds, and was never profitable, thus the service and the stamps were removed from sale two years later on 1 Sept, 1923.

15c slate
green

GY1

60c rose

GY2

75c gray
brown

GY3

1.50g dark
blue

GY4

2.25g orange
brown

GY5

4.50g black

GY6

7.50g red

GY7

1923, Aug 31

25th Anniversary of Queen Wilhelmina's Assumption to the Throne

unwatermarked, engraved, perf 11 ½



151



151b
perf 11 x 11½



152



152
perf 11½ x 11



153



153a
perf 11½ x 11



154



154a
perf 11½ x 11



155



155a
perf 11½ x 11

2½g gray
black

156

5g orange
brown

157

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1928, Sept 20

Air Post – Queen Wilhelmina Definitive stamps surcharged and Overprinted with Airplane
unwatermarked, engraved, perf 11 ½



C1



C2

As airmail was being established between Amsterdam and Batavia, these stamps were surcharged to be used until arrival of regular Air Post stamps arrived from the Netherlands.



C3



C4



C5

1928, Dec 1

Air Post – Planes over Temple design
unwatermarked, litho, perf 12½ x 11 ½



C6



C7



C8



C9



C10

1930 - 1932

Air Post – Planes over Temple design surcharged

1930



C11

1932



C12

Issued on Oct 13, 1930 when the weight allowance for Air Post to the Netherlands was changed. The stamps were overprinted in black in 1930 and in green in 1932.

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1930, Dec 1

Temple Series

Semi-postal stamps issued to benefit youth care

unwatermarked, photo, perf 11½ x 11, 11 x 11½



B4
Temple in Bali



B5
Gardoe or Watchtower



B6
Menangkabau Compound



B7
Borobudur Temple in Java

1930, Dec 13

Queen Wilhelmina stamp surcharged in red

unwatermarked, photo, perf 12½



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1931, Apr 1

Air Post - Commemorative Issue of the 1st Airmail Flight from Java to Australia Pilot at the Controls of a Plane design

unwatermarked, photo, perf 12½



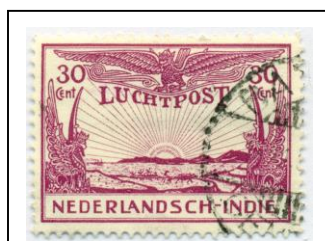
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To give a thru service from Amsterdam to Australia, KLM added an experimental flight from Batavia (Jakarta) to Melbourne. The flight left Amsterdam on Apr 30th and arrived in Batavia on May 9th. The Flight on to Melbourne continued on May 11th and arrived on May 19th. This stamp was issued on April 1st and commemorates (anticipates?) the flight.

1931, May

Air Post - Sunrise and Garudas design

unwatermarked, photo, perf 12½



C14



C15



C16

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1931, Dec 1

Semi-postal stamps issued to benefit the White Cross Colony at Salatiga
unwatermarked, engraved, perf 12½



B8
Farmer and Calabao



B9
Fisherman



B10
Dancers



B11
Musicians

1932, July 21

Air Post – Planes over Temple design surcharged in blue
unwatermarked, litho, perf 12½ x 11 ½



C17

1932, Dec 1

Semi-postal stamps issued to Benefit the Salvation Army
unwatermarked, photo, perf 12½



B12
Weaving



B13
Plaiting Rattan



B14
Batik Dyer



B15
Coppersmith

1933, Apr 18

Prince William I Commemoration – 400th anniversary of his Birth
unwatermarked, photo, perf 12½



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1933 - 1937

Rice Field Scene and Queen Wilhelmina Designs

unwatermarked, typo, perf 11½ x 12½

1934



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1934



165

1934



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1934



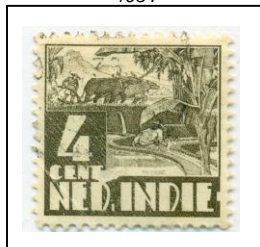
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1937



168

1934



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1934



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1934



171

1934



172

1937



173

1934



174

1933



174a (perf 12½)

1934



175

1934



176

1934



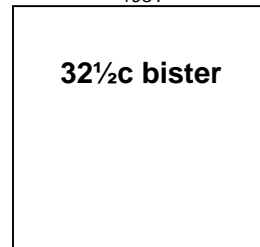
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1934



178

1934



32½c bister

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1934



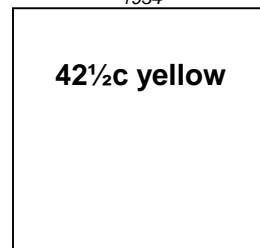
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1934



181

1934



42½c yellow

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1934, Jan 16
Queen Wilhelmina Design
unwatermarked, typo, perf 12½



183



184



185



186

1.75g yellow green

187



188

1933, Oct 8
Air Post – Airplane design
unwatermarked, photo, perf 12½



C18

1933, Dec 1
Semi-postal stamps issued to benefit the YMCA for relief of the poor
unwatermarked, litho, perf 12½



B16
Woman with a Lotus Flower



B17
The Light that Shows the Way



B18
YMCA Emblem



B19
Jobless Man

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1934

Regular Issue Surcharges – Air Post stamps of 1928 and 1931 surcharged in black as regular issue stamps
unwatermarked, litho, perf 12½ x 11 ½

These stamps were surcharged to use up an excess supply of Air Post Stamps



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190

2c on 30c red violet

191



192



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1934, Sept 15

Semi Postal Stamp – Dowager Queen Emma Design
additional surcharge went to the Anti-Tuberculosis Society
unwatermarked, photo, perf 13 x 14



B20

1935

Semi Postal Stamp – Military designs
surcharge went to support the Indies Committee of the Christian Military Association of the East and West Indies
unwatermarked, photo, perf 12½



B21

Engineer dismantling a bridge before a flood



B22

Cavalryman rescuing a man after an earthquake



B23

Artilleryman rescuing people from an eruption



B24

Infantryman blowing a bugle

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1936, Dec 1

Semi-postal stamps issued to benefit the Salvation Army
unwatermarked, photo, perf 12½



B25



B26



B27



B28



B29

1937, May 1

Semi-Postal stamps – 5th Boy Scout World Jamboree, Vogelenzang, Netherlands, Jul 31-Aug. 13, 1937
Surtax went to benefit the Netherlands Indies Scout Association

unwatermarked, photo, perf 12½



B30



B31

1937, Sept

Queen Wilhelmina Design of 1912 surcharged

unwatermarked, typo, perf 12½



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1937, Dec 1

Semi-Postal stamps – Public Relief Funds for the Indigenous Poor
unwatermarked, photo, perf 12½



B32
Sifting Rice



B33
Mother and Children



B34
*Plowing with
Carabao Team*



B35
*Carabao Team and
Cart*



B36
Native Couple

1938, Aug 30
Jubilee Issue

Commemorating the 40th anniversary of the reign of Queen Wilhelmina
watermark #202, photo, perf 12½ x 12



196



197



198



199



all backstamped

1938, Oct 15

Semi-Postal stamps – 5c surcharge for Public Relief Funds Aviation Fund
10th anniversary of the Dutch East Indies Royal Airlines
watermark #202, photo, perf 12½



B36A



B36B

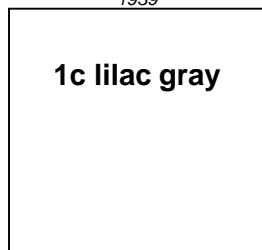
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1938 - 1940

Rice Field Scene and Queen Wilhelmina Designs (as 1933-37 series)

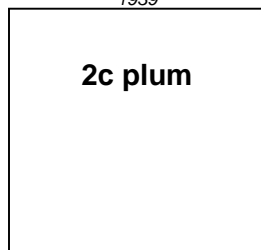
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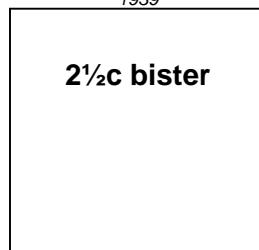
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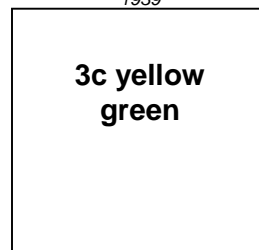
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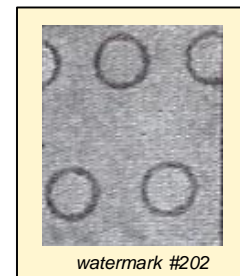


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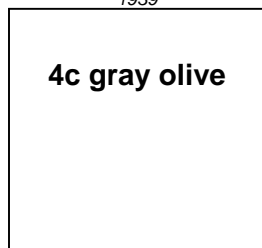
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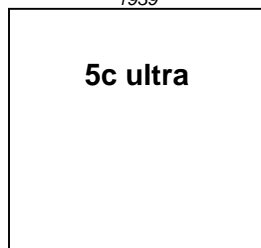


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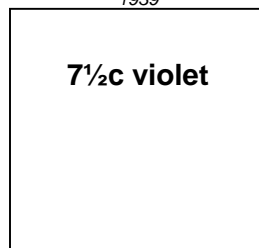
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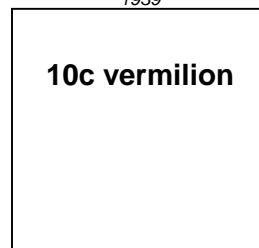
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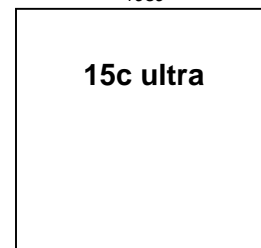
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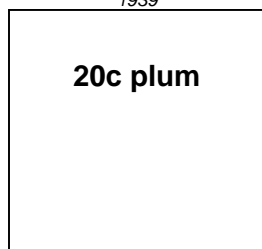
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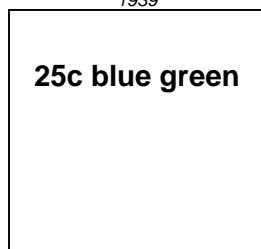
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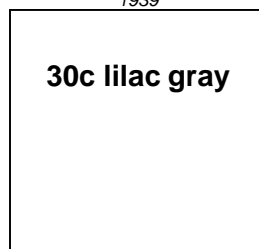
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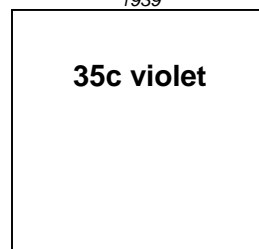
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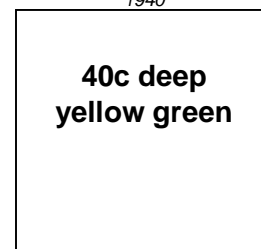
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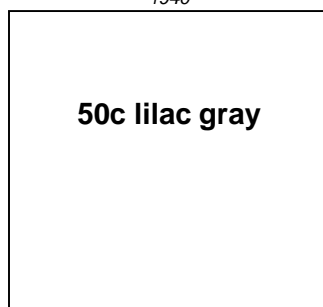
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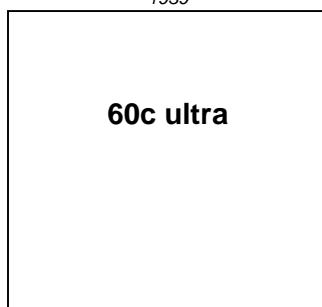
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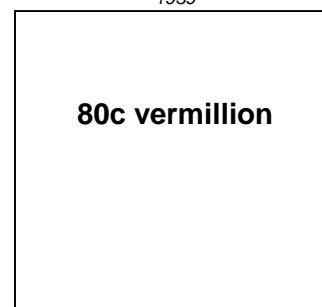
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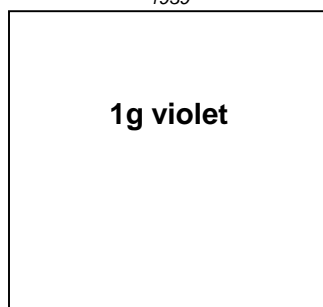
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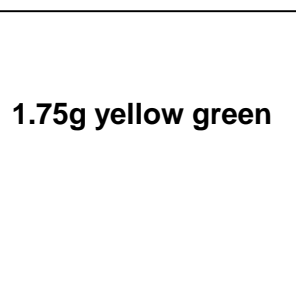


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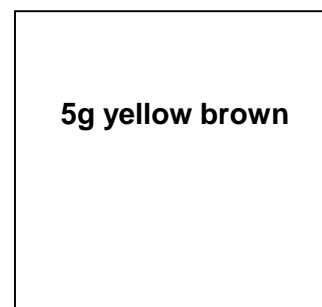
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1938, Dec 1

Semi-Postal stamps – Nun caring for a Children designs
Surtax went to Central Mission Bureau of Batavia
watermark #202, photo

perf 12½



B37

perf 11½ x 12



B38

perf 12 x 11½



B39

perf 12 x 11½



B40

perf 12 x 11½



B42

1939, Dec 1

Semi-Postal stamps – Various designs of both European and Native social workers caring for people
Surtax went to the Bureau of Social Service
watermark #202, photo, perf 13 x 11½ , 11½ x 13



B42

European social
workers



B43

Native nurse tending patient



B44

Native social workers



B45

Native nurse tending patient



B46

European nurse tending
patient



B47

European nurse tending
patient

1940, Dec 2

Semi-Postal stamp – Queen Wilhelmina Issue surcharged in brown
Surtax went to the Red Cross
unwatermarked, perf 12 x 12½



B48

Dutch Colony of the NETHERLAND INDIES

1941 Queen Wilhelmina Design unwatermarked, perf 12½



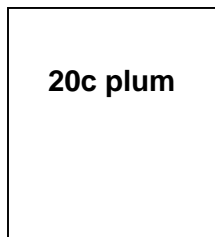
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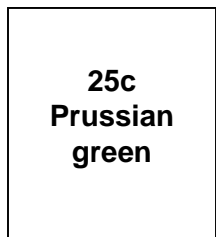


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20c plum

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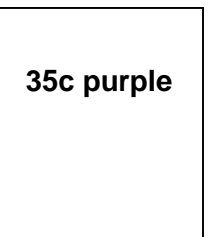


**25c
Prussian
green**

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35c purple

240



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perf 13½



242



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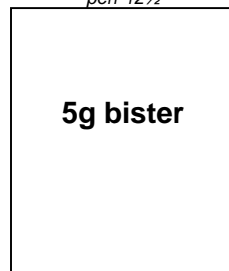
perf 12½



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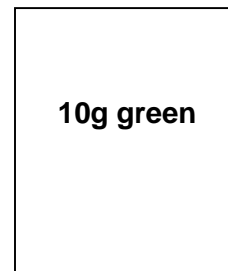


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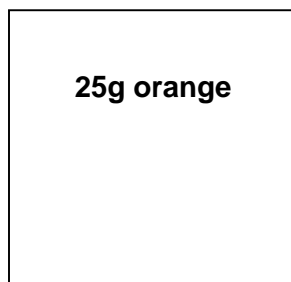
5g bister

247



10g green

248



25g orange

249

Dutch Colony of the NETHERLAND INDIES

1941, May 10

Semi-Postal stamps – Coat of Arms designs

Surtax went to purchase warplanes for Dutch pilots fighting with the Royal Air Force in Britain

watermark #202, photo, perf 13 x 11½, 11½ x 13



B49



B50



B51

Issued after the German occupation of the Netherlands. The inscription reads: "Netherlands Shall Rise Again"

1941, Sept 22

Semi-postal stamps – Scenes of people serving in charities designs

Surcharge went to help various Islamic charities in Batavia

unwatermarked, perf 12½



B52

Doctor and child



B53

Man eating a meal



B54

Nurse and patient



B55

Nurse and children



B56

Basket weaver

1941

Dancers designs

unwatermarked, perf 12½



228

War dancer of Nias



229

Legong dancer of Bali



230

Wayang dancer of Java



231

Pedjoge dancer of Celebes



232

Dyak dancer of Borneo

The dancer series was issued shortly before the Japanese invasion. The 2c stamp, featuring a Menari Dancer (Scott #N38) was prepared with the set, however before it was planned to be issued, the Japanese invaded. The 2c stamp was placed into inventory at the postal headquarters at Bandoeng, and was eventually issued sometime in 1944, during the occupation."

Dutch Colony of the NETHERLAND INDIES

1945 - 1946

Rice Field Scene and Queen Wilhelmina Designs (as 1933-37 series)

watermark #202, typo, perf 12½ x 12 or 12½



250
Rice fields



251
Barge on lake in Java



252
University of Medicine in Batavia



Palms on the shore



254
Plane over a volcano in Borneo



255



256



257



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259



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Dutch Colony of the
NETHERLAND INDIES

1946

Scenes of the Dutch Indies designs

watermark #228, perf 14½ x 14, typo



263
*Railway viaduct
near Soekaboemi*



264
*Dam and power
station*



265
*Palm tree and
Menangkabau*



266
Huts on piles



267
Buddhist on stupas

1947, Sept 25

Various stamps surcharged and overprinted



268



269



270



271

Surcharges were
overprinted in
Melbourne to account
for changed postal rates.

Dutch Colony of the NETHERLAND INDIES

1947, Sept 25 Various stamps overprinted "1947"



272



273



274



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278

Since many stamps were in the hands of unauthorized persons after the occupation, the 1947 overprint is intended as a control mark to indicate that the stamps were officially issued by the government.

1948, Feb 2 Queen Wilhelmina Design surcharged in black Surcharge went to war victims in Batavia unwatermarked, typo, perf 12½



B57

"PELITA" means lamp, symbolizing lighting up the darkness of life. It was the name of a charitable organization in Batavia.

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1948

Queen Wilhelmina Design
unwatermarked, photo, perf 12½



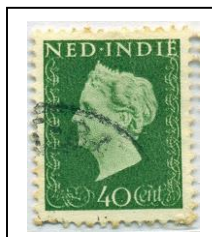
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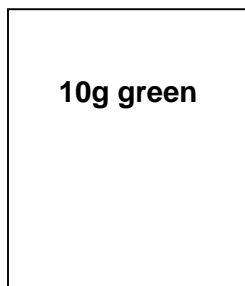


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perf 13

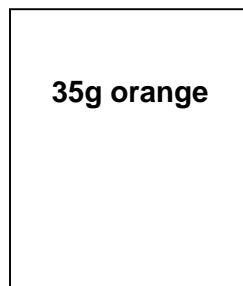


288



10g green

289



35g orange

290

1948

Queen Wilhelmina Design enscripted – “1898 – 1948”
Commemorates the 50th anniversary of the reign of Queen Wihelmina

unwatermarked, photo, perf 12½



291



292

Dutch Colony of the
NETHERLAND INDIES

1948, May 13

Dancers designs

unwatermarked, litho, perf 12½



279
*Menari dancer of
Irian Jaya*



280
*Legong dancer of
Bali*

1948, Sept

Dancers designs

unwatermarked, photo, perf 12½



293
*Dyak dancer of
Borneo*

1948, Sept, 25

Elevation of Queen Juliana

watermark #202, photo, perf 14½ x 13½



293A

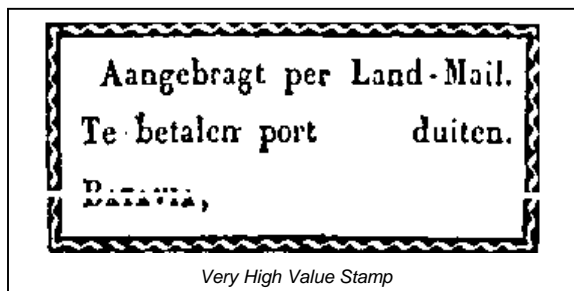


293B

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NETHERLAND INDIES

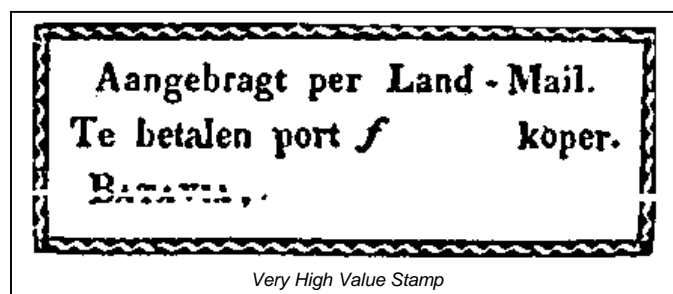
1845 - 1846

Postage Due stamps – Typeset issues
unwatermarked, typeset, imperf, bluish paper



Very High Value Stamp

J1

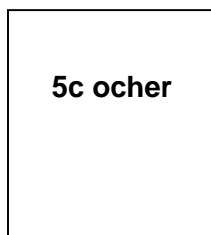


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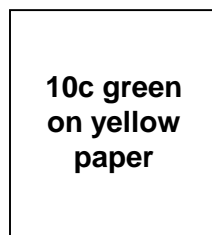
J2

1874

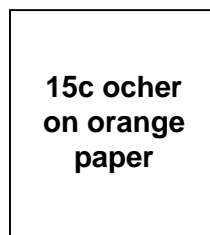
Postage Due stamps – Numeral design
unwatermarked, typo, perf 12½ x 12, 13 x 14, 10½ x 12



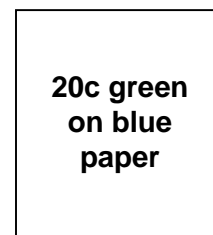
J3



J4



J5



J6

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NETHERLAND INDIES

1882 - 1888

Postage Due stamps – Numeral design with value in black (without “CENT”)
unwatermarked, typo, perf 11½ x 12, 12½, 12½ x 12, 13½



J7b – type II



J8 – type III



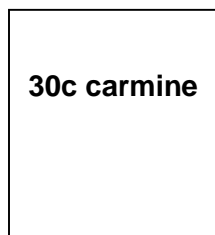
J9a – type I



J10 – type III

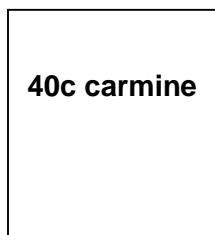


J11 – type III



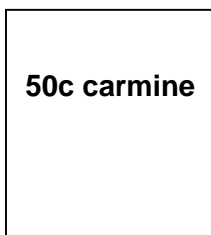
30c carmine

J12



40c carmine

J13



50c carmine

J14



J15 – type III

There were 4 types of the carmine postage due stamps:

- Type I – 34 loop
- Type II – 33 loops
- Type III – 32 loops
- Type IV – 37 loops

1892 - 1895

Postage Due stamps – Numeral design on carmine with value in black (with “CENT”)
unwatermarked, typo, perf 12½



J16 – type I



J17 – type I



J18b – type II

1906 - 1909

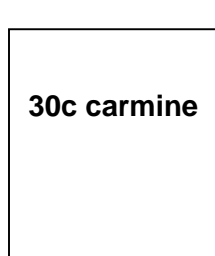
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unwatermarked, typo, perf 12½



J19

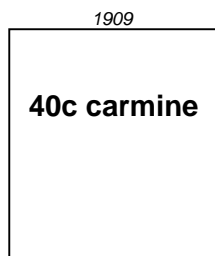


J20



30c carmine

J21



40c carmine

J22



J23



J24

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1913 - 1939

Postage Due stamps – Numeral design with value in color
unwatermarked, typo, perf 12½



1937, Oct 1

Postage Due stamps – Overprint
unwatermarked, typo, perf 12½



J40

1939 - 1940

Postage Due stamps – Numeral design with value in color
unwatermarked, typo, perf 12½



J41

J42

Dutch Colony of the
NETHERLAND INDIES

1944, Mar 11

Postage Due Stamps - Queen Wilhelmina design overprinted "TE BETALEN // PORT" in black
unwatermarked, perf 12½, photo

2½c on 10c
red orange

J43

10c red
orange

J44

20c plum

J45

40c yellow
green

J46

1946, Aug 15

Postage Due stamps – Numeral design with value in color
watermark #228, typo, perf 14½ x 14



J47

2½c brown
orange

J48

3½c ultra

J49



J50

7½c
Prussian
green

J51

10c deep
magenta

J52

20c light
ultra

J53

25c olive

J54

30c red
brown

J55



J56

50c yellow

J57

75c aqua

J58

100c apple
green

J59

1938

Postage Due stamps – Numeral design with value in color
unwatermarked, litho, perf 12½



J49A

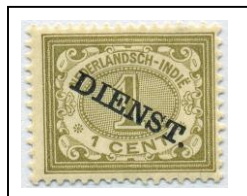
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1911, Oct 1

Official Stamps – regular issue stamps overprinted “DIENST.” in black
typo, perf 12½



01



02



03



04



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06



07



08



09



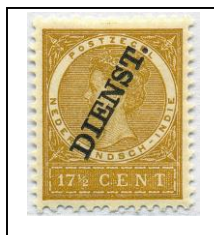
010



011



012



013



014

22½c brown
and olive
green

015



016



017



018



019

2½g slate blue

020

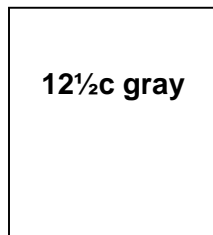
Dutch Colony of the
NETHERLAND INDIES

1911, Oct 1

Official Stamps – regular issue stamps overprinted with a large “D” in a black circle
typo, perf 12½

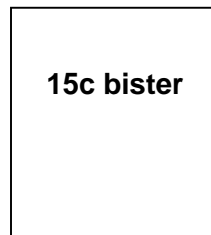


O21



12½c gray

O22

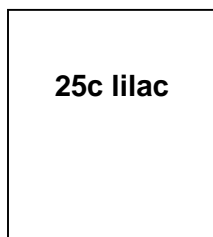


15c bister

O23



O24

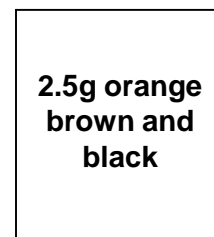


25c lilac

O25



O26



**2.5g orange
brown and
black**

O27