

Papua (British New Guinea)

Member as British New Guinea, one of British Colonies in Australasia from 1 October 1891; on 1 September 1906 renamed Papua; from 1 October 1907 represented by Commonwealth of Australia; under Japanese occupation from 1942 to 1945; in 1946 combined with Territory of New Guinea as Australian Trust Territory; since 4 June 1976 member as independent Papua New Guinea.

In accordance with Australian practice, stamps distributed from 1910 until March 1932 (except the 1917 'ONE PENNY' surcharges) were cancelled with a 'PORT MORESBY' datestamp.

The 1932 9d and 1s3d definitive new values were overprinted 'SPECIMEN'. However, in the collection of the International Bureau the 9d is represented by a cancelled-to-order example.

All later issues were distributed in mint condition.



1910



1911

1916

'PORT MORESBY/PAPUA' datestamp



1918

1921

1925

handstamped 'COLONIAS' — ex Goa collection



'PORT MORESBY/PAPUA'
International Bureau collection

'SPECIMEN' type PAP1

1932