

THE ORIGINAL 1st 1974 SELF-ADHESIVE STAMPS



We are now able to offer some Special Reductions

The original and 1st GB self-adhesives were, in fact, issued in 1974 to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the world's 1st self-adhesives which were produced by Sierra Leone, despite claims by the Royal Mail that their recent experimental trial period booklet contained the first G.B. self-adhesive stamp - it is, of course, the 1st NVI G.B. self-adhesive!

This new trial booklet has produced operational problems because the postmark can easily be removed and the stamps reused due to a shiny paper being in the printing - current stocks are apparently being run down and we can probably expect a revised edition in due course. Order yours now! Now obsolescent!

IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS IN 1973, LORD CLIFFORD OF CHUDLEIGH SUGGESTED THAT THE POST OFFICE SHOULD ENCOURAGE THE INTRODUCTION OF SELF-ADHESIVE STAMPS ON HEALTH GROUNDS

These original self-adhesives were the brainchild of two philatelic entrepreneurs - Mr Derek Worboys and Mr John Daynes who both submitted orders for these Machin octagonal diestamped designs to Her Majesty's Stationery Office to be produced on self-adhesive paper. These stamps were produced in late 1973 just prior to this special service being withdrawn. The 1st Series was duly issued on February 10th which was the exact date of the 10th Anniversary of the Sierra Leone self-adhesive Issue. These self-adhesives are officially approved by the Post Office and remain fully postally valid and are an important part of British postal history. We certainly recommend the new self-adhesive Booklet and, more especially, the interesting Combination Covers with the original 1974 1/2p of these there are three separate postmarks available - the 'Lickey End' tongue postmark was announced with very little advance notification and has proved very popular. (only 800 Covers in total were produced).

We now list the range of these very interesting self-adhesive stamps which are now available to include the 1st and 2nd Series by Derek Worboys and the 3rd Series by John Daynes. The 1st and 2nd Series appeared with square backing paper and the 3rd Series with circular backing paper for easy identification!

1st SERIES with Square Backing, issued 10th February 1974, 1,000 Sets only produced by Derek Worboys. 5 values complete. 1/2p, 1p, 1 1/2p, 5 1/2p (5p & 1/2p) & 8p (5p & 3p) **'DIAMOND DEAL'** ~~£150.00~~ **£125.00**
do. 1/2p only **£5.00**, 1p or 1 1/2p each ~~£30.00~~ **£25.00**, Set of 3 ~~£50.00~~ **£45.00**
do. 1/2p (with Machin 2 1/2p) on F.D.C. with Wimbledon CDS or Ideal Home slogan Postmark or Machine Cancel, each **£6.50**
do. P.O. Airmailer (6 1/2) with 1/2p self-adhesive with 10th Anniversary of Word's 1st self-adhesives Cachet with London CDS or Wimbledon CDS for First Day ~~£7.50~~ **£5.00**

2nd SERIES (19th June 1974) by Derek Worboys 3 1/2p with Special Slogan inscribed 'You Just Cannot Lick Self-Adhesive Stamps for Speed and Hygiene' **£12.50**
do. with additional Red Overprint 'This Slogan Embarrasses the British Post Office and Must Be Detached Before Use' few only available **£15.00**
do. 3 1/2p without (1 only available) **£250.00**

Note: A 3p Value, as above, also exists and is very rare (with or without overprint) each **'DIAMOND DEAL'** ~~£125.00~~ **£95.00**
do. Scarce 3p without Special Slogan inscription (only a few sheets of 12 known) normally £250.00, NOW **£195.00**

do. both 3p & 3 1/2p on scarce F.D.C. with the Slogan obliterated as requested by Post Office with the label still clearly visible, cancelled with the Lord Nelson Trafalgar Square Handstamp (Normally £75.00), only ~~£35.00~~ **£25.00**

3rd SERIES With Circular Backing, 1,000 Sets only produced by John Daynes as listed in the Rosen Catalogue Complete
Set of 9 values to 5p **'DIAMOND DEAL'** ~~£350.00~~ **£295.00**
Short Set to 4p (8 values) (1 Set only Mounted on back ~~£95.00~~ **£75.00**) **'DIAMOND DEAL'** ~~£125.00~~ **£95.00**
1p ~~£15.00~~ **£10.00**, 1 1/2p ~~£15.00~~ **£10.00**, 2p ~~£15.00~~ **£10.00**, 2 1/2p ~~£15.00~~ **£10.00**, 3p ~~£20.00~~ **£15.00**, 3 1/2p ~~£20.00~~ **£15.00**, 4p value only ~~£20.00~~ **£15.00**

Large Rectangular Self-Adhesives also exist and are very rare. Ask for details.



1/2p 1st series

ONE
OF
EACH
(Normally
£17.50)
'DIAMOND DEAL'
SPECIAL
OFFER
£7.50



3 1/2p 2nd series