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Country/Type: Africa

British South Africa Company Collection, in album, from 1890 to 1919, with MNH/MH and used stamps. Noted 4 high values of the first issue, 5 and 10 pounds 1901 Dena certificates, 1 Pound 1910, 1 Pound George V. Enormous catalogue value.

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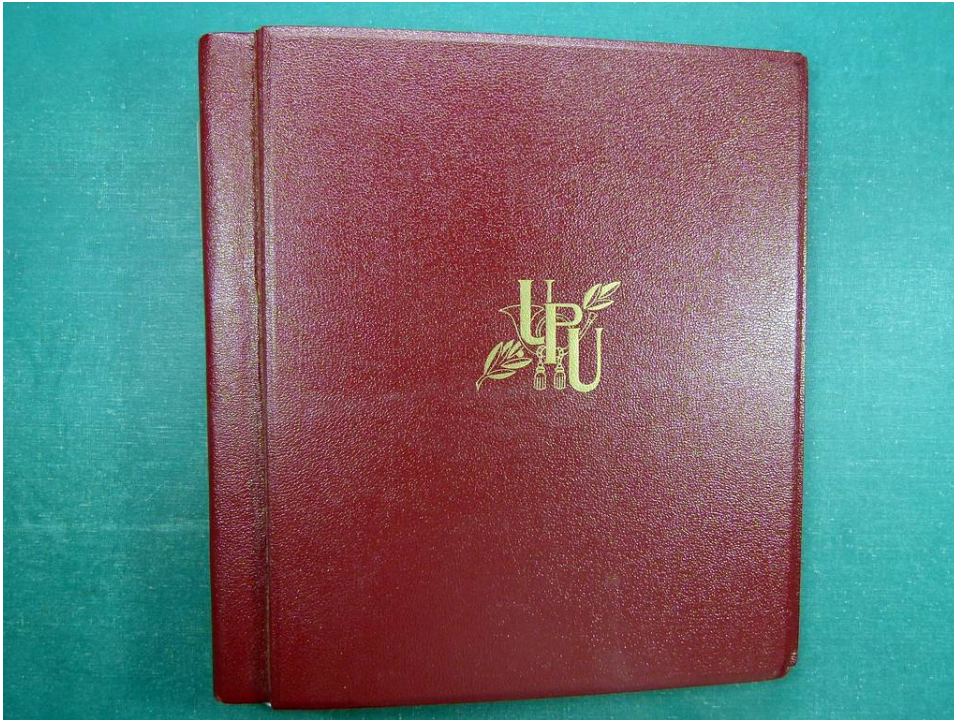




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BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA COMPANY

Coat of Arms
1895



THICK SOFT PAPER

Coat of Arms
1896



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First Issue Surcharged
1896

(140)



ON 3P



1P ON 4SH



ON 5SH

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Ho esaminato i due francobolli della Compagnia Britannica dell'Africa del Sud, 1901, £5 e £10 (Cat. Yvert & Tellier, Nn. 72/73), nuovi senza gomma, di cui è qui unita una riproduzione fotografica. A mio parere, i due rari esemplari sono originali e perfetti: li ho firmati "E. Diena". * * * * *





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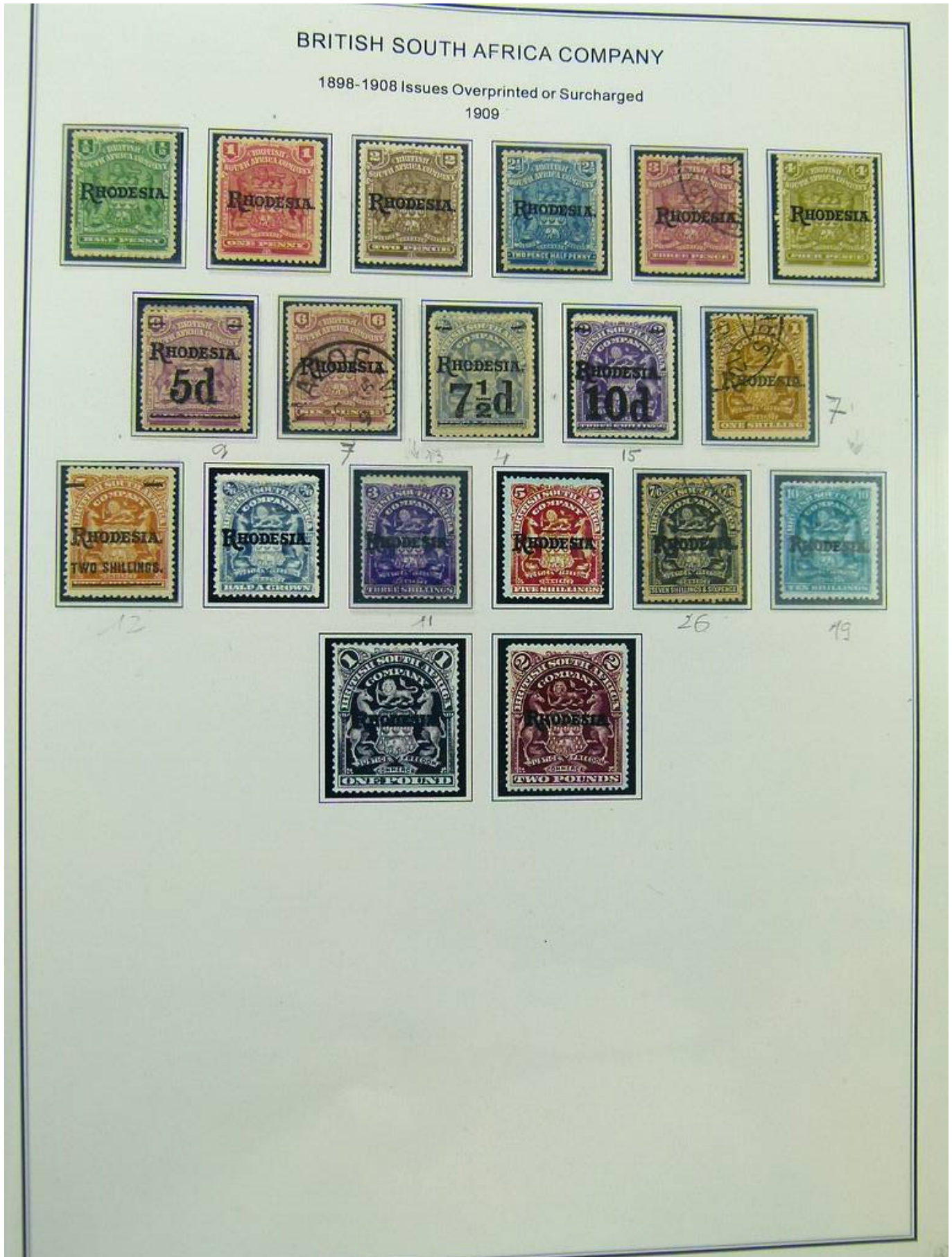




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BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA COMPANY
Queen Mary and King George V
1910

13	55	29	30	42	50
5d	2d	2½d	3d	4d	5d
60	1/-	2/-	3/-	4/-	5/-
	Also 1 pair	350	PAID		
PAID	PAID	PAID	PAID		

The Rhodesia 1910-1913 "Double Head" issue, originally referred to as the "King and Queen" issue, is among the most popular and widely collected postage stamp series of the British Empire. First conceived as a commemorative issue (the 10th Anniversary of the reign of King Edward VII), the essays for the original designs showed the portraits of Edward VII and Queen Alexandra.

Due to the untimely death of the king in 1910, King George V consented to having the portraits of himself and his wife, Queen Mary, used on the stamps, with the new stamps being issued in commemoration of the visit of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught to Southern Africa. In fact, King George V, as the Prince of Wales, had originally planned to visit Africa during 1910. The stamps evolved into a definitive postage stamp series, lasting until 1913, when they were replaced by the Admiral Issue with the portrait of King George V. The 15 denominations of the Rhodesia Double Head set, ranging from the ½ d. through to the E1 values, are shown above. The issue was engraved by Waterlow and Sons. This set offers many collecting opportunities for both the general collector, wanting one example of each denomination, and for the specialist, who may want to collect the perforation varieties, plate varieties, re-entries, and the many shades occurring on this series.

Various denominations of this series come in a variety of perforation types, with the gauges 14, 15 and 13 ½ being the most common. There are also compound perforations known on some of the stamps, either 15 x 14 or 14 x 15.

There are many shades for each of the values in this series. The Gibbons catalog, which lists each of the stamps and their shades by separate catalog numbers, has over 66 catalog number listings for this set. For details on the color varieties of this set, one must consult the Stanley Gibbons British Commonwealth Catalog or the South African Stamp Colour Catalog. They should be available on the internet.

There are also numerous plate flaws and re-entries on all of the values. This has enabled the plates of some of the lower values to be completely reconstructed by a number of philatelic specialists.



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