

## Payment Methods

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### Bank Transfer Via an Internet Account

Bank Charge: £2.50

#### Bank Transfer within the UK

Bank: HSBC Bank plc, London  
Sort Code: 40-52-87 for CHAPS  
40-63-59 for BACS  
Account Name: Crown Agents Bank  
Account Number: 41275925

#### Bank Transfer from outside the UK

Bank: HSBC Bank plc, London  
SWIFT: MIDLGB22  
Account Name: Crown Agents Bank  
SWIFT: CRASGB2L  
IBAN: GB76MIDL40025041275925

#### Bank Transfer to the bank in Euro's

Bank: Deutsche Bank AG, Frankfurt  
SWIFT: DEUTDEFF  
Account name: Crown Agents Bank  
SWIFT: CRASGB2L  
Acc No. 9608217  
IBAN: DE35500700100960821700 (needed for all Euro transfers)  
Reference: 'FFC to TDC A/c 33870050'



When we receive the funds we will convert them to sterling, deduct the usual **£2.50** and then credit them to your account.

### PayPal Account or Debit/Credit Card

Fee: 5.5% + 20p

If you have an account with PayPal, you can make direct payments to us at [tristandirect@tdc.gov.com](mailto:tristandirect@tdc.gov.com).

If you do not have a PayPal account, we will send you an e-Invoice with a PayPal link that lets you pay the invoice securely using a debit or credit card

### Sterling Cheque by post to:

Bank Charge: £5.00

Crown Agents Bank, St Nicholas House, St Nicholas Road, Sutton, Surrey SM1 1EL, UK

Open-dated Cheques & Money Orders made out to **Tristan da Cunha Administration, Cash** (Sterling, Dollar and Euro) are also accepted and can be sent directly to the Tristan da Cunha Post Office.

A service fee of **£1.00** is charged on all cheques received.



# Tristan da Cunha Stamp News

April 2016



Welcome to the worlds most remotest Post Office

Your order of beautiful stamps will be packed and posted directly from our island Post Office.

Check out all our new, wonderful and unique stamps

Early Mail Ships Definitive's

Release date: 8th December 2015



Tristan da Cunha is the most remote inhabited island in the world lying some 2,430km from St. Helena and over 2,800km from Africa. The island was discovered in 1506 by the Portuguese navigator Tristão da Cunha. In 1816 the garrison on Tristan was occupied by British Marines and when disbanded Corporal William Glass chose to stay on the island and is regarded as the founder of the present community. Mail from and to the island became very important as it was their only opportunity to communicate with the outside world. Quite often this could take years as they were dependant on passing ships, like whalers, to carry the mail. Eventually after numerous requests British war ships called annually but even this waned. This definitive stamp issue depicts ships that carried mail to and from the island between 1904 and 1953. Of course most of the ships calling at Tristan would carry out this task and as such not all of the ships from this period are included.



First Day Cover  
with 25p, 35p, £1, £2 stamps  
for £4.35



First Day Cover  
with 10p, 45p, 60p, £1.50 stamps  
for £3.40

First Day Cover  
with 1p, 2p, 5p, £5 stamps  
for £5.83



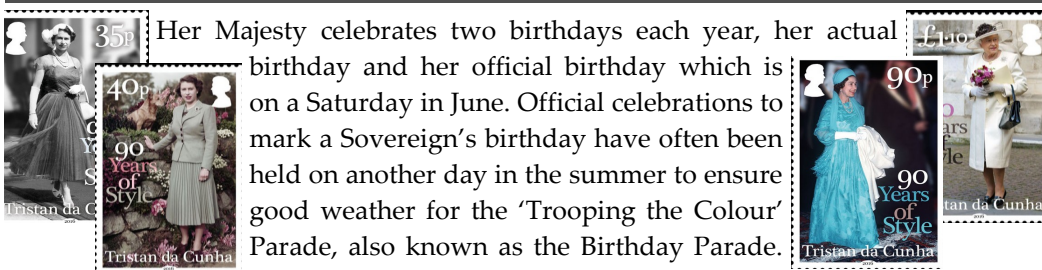
2015 sees the 150th Anniversary of the publication of Alice's Adventures in Wonderland. Written by Charles Lutwidge Dodgson under the pseudonym Lewis Carroll it is the story of a girl named Alice who falls through a rabbit hole into a fantasy world-populated by peculiar, anthropomorphic creatures.

Charles youngest brother, Edwin Heron Dodgson was ordained deacon in 1873 and priest in 1874. In 1880, after various ministries Edwin, with a stipend of £100 a year, was appointed by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel (SPG) as missionary and school teacher to Tristan da Cunha; a post which the Bishop of St Helena had been attempting to fill since 1866. He landed safely on 25 February 1881. However a gale blew up wrecking the schooner *Edward Vittery* that Edwin arrived on and he lost all his books and most of his stores and clothing. This spot is now known as Down-Where-The-Minister-Land-His-Things.

With great effort he set about his major tasks as priest and school teacher and his reports to England reflect his enthusiasm and energy. However, Dodgson was to lose his optimism and felt that the isolation of the islanders was to blame. He served as the priest in Tristan from 1880 to 1884, when Bishop Thomas Welby of St Helena granted him permission to return to England, having heard from a whaling captain of his "very depressed state of mind". He arrived back in England in February 1885.



Newest Release!! 2016 — 90 Years of Style Queen Elizabeth II 21st April



Her Majesty celebrates two birthdays each year, her actual birthday and her official birthday which is on a Saturday in June. Official celebrations to mark a Sovereign's birthday have often been held on another day in the summer to ensure good weather for the 'Trooping the Colour' Parade, also known as the Birthday Parade. On Tristan "Queen's Day" is held in February or March, when the weather is good, as on Tristan June is in the middle of winter. The Queen usually spends her actual birthday privately, but as 2016 is such a milestone birthday The Queen and Members of the Royal Family will attend a pageant celebrating The Queen's life to be held at Home Park in Windsor Castle in May, a thanksgiving service held at St Paul's Cathedral on 10 June as well as the Queen's Birthday Parade on Horse Guards Parade on 11 June. Last year Her Majesty became Britain's longest reigning monarch and both as Princess and Queen she has presented the world with 90 Years of Style.



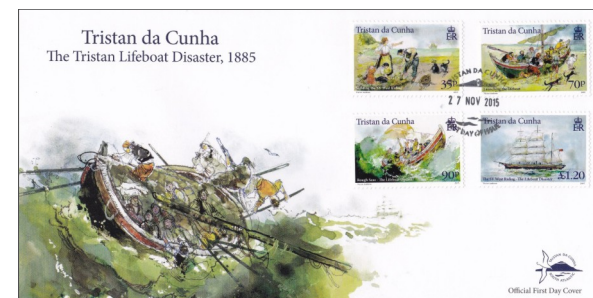
There are few tragedies that have had such a devastating effect on any world community than the 1885 Tristan Lifeboat Disaster. It was the most terrible disaster ever recorded in the island's history and to this day remains a mystery.

With the loss of regular shipping and trading opportunities, almost all of Tristan's able bodied men, 15 in total, decided to attempt to trade with the iron barque West Riding when it sailed off the island on 27 November, despite rough seas. The West Riding was on route from Bristol to Sydney and decided to call at Tristan to collect water.

The islanders put out to sea in a new ship's lifeboat donated by the British Government to Tristan for helping shipwrecked people. They had some livestock and potatoes in the boat which they hoped to barter for flour and groceries. They rowed out of sight eastwards, beyond Big Point and were never seen again.

From the stories we have heard on the island no-one survived, no bodies were recovered and nothing was found of the lifeboat. Some islanders believed that the 15 men were taken on-board the West Riding and sold as slaves in Australia. Others say that they drowned but no one knows what really happened.

A memorial plaque placed in St Mary's Church on Tristan list the names of those 15 men lost. This is a heart breaking story and these unique stamps are in memory of those men lost.



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