



Philatelic Postage Stamp Issue – Apiculture in Malta

On the 22nd of November 2019, MaltaPost will issue a set of 5 stamps depicting the Maltese honey bee.

Apiculture, or as it is commonly known, bee-keeping, is the breeding and keeping of bee colonies in man-made hives, in order to collect their honey and other products. Apiculture is one of the oldest traditions in Malta.

The Maltese Islands have their own indigenous honey bee which, after centuries of breeding and colonisation, has adapted well to the local climate and environment. One biological feature of the Maltese bee, which is small and relatively dark in colour, is that it lays eggs throughout all the seasons.

The stamps will be issued in a sheet of ten, with each stamp measuring 35mm x 35mm, with a comb perforation of 13.75 x 13.75 and bearing the Maltese Cross watermark. The sheets measure 204mm x 134mm and were produced by Printex Ltd in the offset process. The issue consists of 1,000,000 stamps with a face value of €0.30 each stamp. Photography is by Abner Joe Buttigieg & Paul Portelli.

The stamps will be available as from Friday 22 November 2019 from all Post Offices in Malta and Gozo. Orders may be placed online at maltaphilately.com or by mail from the Philatelic Bureau, MaltaPost p.l.c. 305, Triq Hal Qormi, Marsa, MTP 1001; Telephone: 2596 1740, e-mail: info@maltaphilately.com.

Ħarġa ta' Bolli "Apiculture in Malta"

Fl-22 ta' Novembru 2019, MaltaPost se toħroġ sett ta' ħames bolli li juru n-naħla Maltija.

L-Apikultura, f'Malta huwa iż-żamm u t-trobbija ta' kolonji tan-naħal. Dawn jinzammu fix-xehda, sabiex jkun jista jingabar l-għasel flimkien ma prodotti oħra. Din hija wahda mill-eqdem tradizzjonijiet fil-gzejjer Maltin.

Fil-gzejjer Maltin nsibu naħla tal-għasel unika, li illum il-ġurnata rnexiela tadatta sew għal-klima u l-ambjent lokali. Waħda mill-fattur prominenti tan-naħla Maltija, hija dik ta' għamla żghira u kultur relattivament skur. Din l-ispeċi ta' naħla tbid ħafna bajd matul is-sena kollha.

Is-sett se jinħareġ f'folji ta' għaxar bolli. Kull bolla hija ta' daqs 35mm x 35mm, b'perforazzjoni ta' 13.75 x 13.75 (comb.) u l-folja hija ta' daqs 204mm x 134mm. Il-bolli ġew stampati b'watermark tas-Salib ta' Malta u Printex Limited ipproduċa dan is-sett b'metodu offset. Il-ħarġa f'din is-sensiela tikkonsisti f'1,000,000 bolla li għandhom valur tat- €0.30. Ritratti ta' Abner Joe Buttigieg u Paul Portelli.

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