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Beginner's Stamp Collecting Fun Kit: Everything You Need To Start A Fun And Fascinating Hobby



Synopsis

A perfect introduction for novices and fun for all! this mega-set provides everything a beginner needs: an illustrated album with room for over 1,000 stamps; a guide booklet that explains how to build and care for a collection; a catalog listing hundreds of historic stamps available for purchase; a magnifying glass; adhesive hinges for mounting stamps; and a starter pack of 25 real U.S. postage stamps.

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Customer Reviews

This album is strictly for U.S. stamps and covers the early 1900's through 2005. There are some black and white illustrations for each year, as well as blank spaces for other stamps. The book would have been a little nicer with a spiral binding and illustrations in color. Pages that wouldn't lie flat were a definite frustration for our grandson. A few starter stamps were included, as well as hinges, but there were only about a dozen hinges, so the first thing we had to do was find a source for them. Still, it's a good functional album for providing a beginning without a large outlay of money.

We ordered this kit for a beginner at stamp collecting. We expected the album to be free-form, so he could save the stamps that he likes. Instead the album has pages for specific years, starting in 1901, and photos of specific stamps for many of the spaces. I'm not a stamp collector myself, and

maybe this is a standard format, but it's not at all what we wanted. The Guide is okay, and the magnifying glass is inexpensive but okay. But we ordered the kit primarily for the album, and it's collecting dust on a shelf.

This is a nice kit for an early beginner at stamp collecting. Please note that the album is only for U.S. Stamps. It's a good deal for the price.

My son wanted to look into stamp collecting. I don't know much about it. This is a good review/starting place to see what is involved in the hobby. It made a nice Christmas present, didn't cost much and showed him I had listened to his interests. Nice format and helpful included items.

I have started a stamp collection with my grandson. This was a very helpful tool in getting started. We enjoy looking through the book and all the stamps that came with it. Thanks, J Nelms California

We bought this for my 5 year-old son. Within 5 minutes of opening the box we realized we'd made a mistake...The magnifying glass fell apart and the hinges (adhesives for stamps) are very poor quality - frankly, they don't work! The enclosed info. booklet is also VERY basic and explanations are not very detailed. Disappointing.

Why do no starter sets for stamp collecting include the basic tool of philately? That is, tongs. This is wrong, and needs to be addressed by the dealers out there. They all claim "Everything you need," but this is not true without tongs. You can find them on by searching for "stamp tongs."

Bought two of these for grandkids last Christmas (ages 5 and 7). We've had many hours of fun/education together. With some assistance from Grandma they have a good start on what I hope will be a life-long hobby.

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