

Why Collect German Colonies?

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Broad and Deep

The German Colonies and Post Offices Abroad provide a wonderfully broad and deep collecting area. Material for this area dates from 1871 to 1921, and includes

- *vorläufer*
- overprints and surcharges
- the Hohenzollern yacht issue
- perforated initials
- postal stationery (official & PPO)
- cancels and other postal markings
- provisional stamps and cancels

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- Police actions, rebellions, and the Great War also generated collectibles – stamps and postal markings – from soldiers, sailors, prisoners of war, internees and civilians.
- The literature of the field is also fascinating and voluminous. “Who wrote what” tells a great deal about the history of Germany in the world for the last 125 years.

1893 Horizontal Surcharges on German Stamps for GEA

1893 Horizontal Surcharges on German Postal Cards for GEA

1896 Diagonal Surcharges on German Stamps for GEA

1896 Diagonal Surcharges on German Stamps for GEA – Color Varieties

normal

red-brown

normal

gray-green

1896 Diagonal Surcharges on German Stamps for GEA

gutter block

2 Mark stamp used without surcharge or overprint, for internal postal service use (e.g., on parcel post cards). Identifiable only by cancel.

1896 Diagonal Surcharges on German Postal Cards for GEA

normal

gray-green

domestic reply cards

1898 Printed to Private Order Postal Cards for GEA

3 Pesa – Bagamoyo scenes

- 3 and 5 Pesa values
- Bagamoyo, Dar-Es-Salaam, Kilwa, and Tanga scenes

5 Pesa – Dar-Es-Salaam scenes

1901 Yacht Stamps for GEA

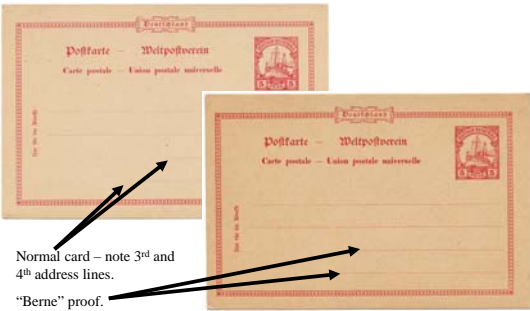
Pesa denominations, unwatermarked

1900 Postal Cards for GEA

Yacht Stamp Indicia

note Specimen overprint

1900 Postal Cards for GEA Yacht Stamp Indicia



Normal card – note 3rd and 4th address lines.
“Berne” proof.

1904 Postal Cards for GEA Yacht Stamp Indicia



Unissued proof of 5 Pesa card.

1905 Yacht Stamps for GEA Heller denominations, unwatermarked



violet/black lilac/black

1908 Printed to Private Order Postal Cards for GEA



1905/19 Yacht Stamps for GEA Heller denominations, watermarked



1905/19 Yacht Stamps for GEA Rupie denominations, watermarked



1912 Postal Card for GEA Yacht Stamp Indicia



Early usage (before cataloged release date).

Revenue Stamps for GEA



Last Mail From GEA Before WWI

'TABORA 13.7.14' cancel – must have been on *Rhenania* if it left GEA.



110 is a Bavarian carrier's mark, so the card did arrive in Germany.

GEA Peace-Time Coins



GEA Peace-Time Currency



GEA War-Time Currency Interims-Banknotes



GEA War-Time News Kriegsnachrichten

GEA War-Time Stamps Wuga Provisionals

200% actual

GEA War-Time Postal Stationery Vorausfrankierungen

British Occupation of GEA

G. R. Post 6 CENTS Mafia
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N. F. (Nyasaland Field Force) on stamps of Nyasaland.

Overprints on stamps of GEA and India Expeditionary Force.

British Occupation of GEA

Stamp of Tanganyika used in Dar-es-salaam.

Stamps of East Africa and Uganda Protectorates, overprinted for use in GEA.

British Occupation of GEA

British Occupation Labels



Belgian Occupation Stamps



Belgian Occupation Viewcard



Portuguese Occupation of Kionga



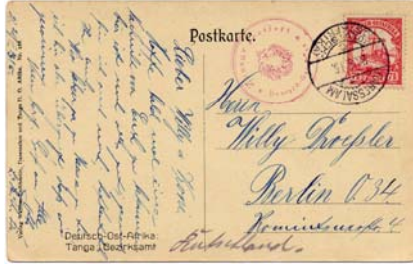
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DARESSALAM WWI usage – note censor marking; sent through Portuguese East Africa

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IRINGA

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MOROGORO WWI usage – note locally produced '15' year date

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