

ANGOLA

The postal issues of Portuguese Angola and Congo



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NOTES

CATALOGUES

A useful catalogue is the one produced by Eladio de Santos, although now out of print, although easily obtained second hand; of course, it is in Portuguese. One of the best is Selos Postais Das Ex-Coloniaas Portuguesas, 1991, originally published by Afinsa, with technical assistance from Nucleo Filatelico do Ateneu Comercial do Porto, a brilliant, highly specialised catalogue, that advanced the work already undertaken by the Catalogo Simoes Ferreira, de Selos Postais de Portugal e Ultramar. Today, Portuguese collectors tend to use Mundifil, Selos Postais Colonia Portuguesas. English collectors tend to look to Gibbons, the latest specialised edition for Portugal and Colonies was published in 2022. For post-Independence issues, Portuguese speaking collectors will often use the Catalogo Especializado Selos Palop by Antonio Romao for Angola, published in 2007, while English speaking collectors will use Gibbons simplified, or Scott.

VALUES

In these notes, three ratings are used to define rarity, R, RR, RRR:

R = ouch;

RR = I will have to save for this;

RRR = there is no way I'm going to tell my wife what this cost.

PAGE ILLUSTRATIONS

Page illustrations in these notes will often use Album Para Selos Angola e Congo, Eladio de Santos - no longer in print. Illustrations tend to be of stamps that have done postal service to aid the study of cancellations.

SOURCE INFORMATION

The information provided in these notes is derived from many sources, but primarily that of the International Society of Portuguese Philately. Naturally, the notes seek to be as accurate as possible, but on this subject, perfection is a forlorn hope.

PAGE FORMATION

American Quarto / letter to interleave Hagner stamp sheets.