

# Stamps celebrate South Africa's geology

The South African Post Office has issued a limited set of 50 000 stamps to celebrate the 35th International Geological Congress, which was held from 27 August to 4 September in Cape Town.

Sheets contain ten stamps and cost R84.

The stamps offer an artistic interpretation of ten important geological superlatives.

The concept designs for these stamps were researched by a renowned South African geologist, Pieter Bosch, of the Council for Geoscience. The artwork was done by Rachel-Mari Ackermann of the SA Post Office.

The superlatives include the Karoo Supergroup, the Barberton Greenstone Group, the Griqualand West Supergroup, the Witwatersrand Supergroup, the Bushveld Igneous Complex, Kimberlite and the Phalaborwa Carbonatite Complex as well as Table Mountain, the Vredefort Meteorite Crater and the Cradle of Humankind, which are Unesco World Heritage Sites.

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