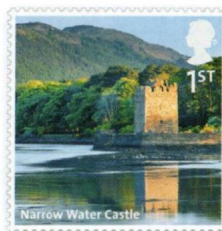




Manchester Town Hall



Narrow Water Castle



Old Bailey



Tyne Bridge



Urquhart Castle



Victoria and Albert Museum

UK A-Z Part 2

Next month sees the second part of a 26-stamp odyssey around the UK

An alphabetical tour of UK landmarks on stamps continues next month with UK A-Z Part 2 10 April. Part 1 issued last October, took us from A for Angel of the North to L for Lindisfarne Priory (see pages 8 and 47). The forthcoming Part 2 celebrates great British locations beginning with the letters M to Z.

Stamp by stamp Locations have been chosen from across the British Isles: *Manchester Town Hall* is a grand example of Victorian neo-Gothic architecture, designed by Alfred Waterhouse and completed in 1877. *Narrow Water Castle* stands on the County Down bank of the Clanrye River. It is one of the finest 16th-century buildings in Ireland. *Old Bailey* is the Central Criminal Court of England and Wales. Designed by

EW Mountford, it was built on the site of Newgate Prison and opened by King Edward VII in 1907. On the dome stands a bronze statue of Lady Justice.

Portmeirion in North Wales was created by Sir Clough Williams-Ellis between 1925 and 1975 in the style of an Italian village. It is now a popular tourist attraction, owned by a charitable trust.

The Queen's College is a constituent college of the University of Oxford. Founded in 1341 by Robert de Eglesfield, its classical frontage was designed by Nicholas Hawksmoor during 18th century rebuilding. *Roman Baths* brought spa technology to England in the 1st century and the Roman Baths complex is now a site of historical interest in the city of Bath, attracting a million visitors a year.

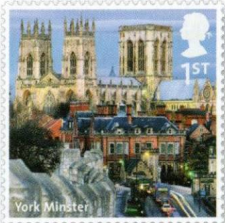
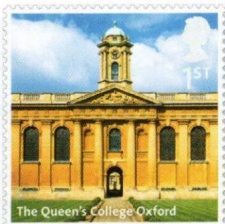
Stirling Castle is one of Scotland's largest castles



The White Cliffs of Dover on the A-Z UK Part 2 pictorial

UK A-Z Part 2 – Specifications

Issue date	10 April
Number of stamps	Fourteen
Design	Robert Maude and Sarah Davies
Stamp format	Square
Stamp size	35mm x 35mm
Printer	Cartor Security Printing
Print process	Lithography
Number per sheet	30/60
Perforations	14.5 x 14.5
Phosphor	All over
Gum	PVA
Sheet format	Two sheets of 30/60 with six se-tenant designs per sheet (M to R, S to X). One sheet of 30/60 with two se-tenant designs repeated (Y and Z)



and the site of a stronghold for rulers since 1110, because of its strategic position overlooking the Forth.

Tyne Bridge links Newcastle-upon-Tyne and Gateshead, and at the time of its opening by George V in 1928 was the world's longest single span bridge.

Urquhart Castle is splendidly situated beside Loch Ness. One of the largest strongholds of medieval Scotland, its history can be traced back to St Columba.

Victoria and Albert Museum is the world's largest museum of decorative arts, officially opened in 1857 and named after Queen Victoria and Prince Albert.

The White Cliffs of Dover are part of the North Downs, facing the narrowest part of the English Channel and symbolising homecoming for UK travellers.

Station X was a covert World War Two radio interception station at Bletchley Park. Block C was used to break the Enigma Code.

York Minster is the glorious, second-largest Gothic cathedral in northern Europe, completed in 1472.

ZSL – The Zoological Society of London – manages London Zoo, which houses 755 species of animals.

A-Z Composite Sheet All 26 stamps of UK A-Z Parts 1 and 2 are to feature on a one Stamp Sheet next month. Find full details in your April *Bulletin* ●



Above: Talents House postmark with Mons Meg seige gun. Below left: Presentation Pack, with inner sleeve, below

UK A-Z Part 2 – Prices

Stamp Set	£6.44
Presentation Pack	£6.95
First Day Envelope	30p
First Day Cover M to R, UK/non-UK	£3.79/£3.16
First Day Cover S to Z, UK/non-UK	£4.89/£4.08
Stamp Cards (14 in set)	£6.30
Composite Stamp Sheet UK A-Z Parts 1 and 2	£11.96

