

# Iraq

## The Specialised Collection



*View of Baghdad*

## British Occupation: Issues for Baghdad, 1917 (Sept 1)



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2165

- 2162** Surcharged  $\frac{1}{4}$  a. on Turkey 2 pa. claret (Obelisk of the Hippodrome), a fine unused example of good centering and colour, fresh and very fine, merest hint of gum bend at top, large part og. Just 906 examples issued. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 500.
- 2163** Surcharged  $\frac{1}{4}$  a. on Turkey 2 pa. claret (Obelisk of the Hippodrome), a fine unused example of good centering and colour, top right perf. with small grease spot and slight hinge thin on large part og. Just 906 stamps surcharged Gi = £ 550.
- 2164** Surcharged  $\frac{1}{4}$  a. on Turkey 2 pa. claret (Obelisk of the Hippodrome), an unused block of four, of excellent colour and freshness, hinged as a precautionary measure, large part og. A magnificent multiple of great scarcity, just 906 stamps issued. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 2200+.
- 2165** Surcharged  $\frac{1}{4}$  a. on Turkey 2 pa. claret (Obelisk of the Hippodrome), a fine used example, marginal from base of sheet, tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black. One toned perf., otherwise scarce and fine, just 906 examples issued Gi = £ 550.

Gibbons

Start price  
in CHFStart price  
approx. €

1	*	<b>200</b>	(€ 180)
1	*	<b>200</b>	(€ 180)
1	田*	<b>1'000</b>	(€ 900)
1	△	<b>180</b>	(€ 160)



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2168

- 2166** Surcharged  $\frac{1}{4}$  a. on Turkey 5 pa. dull brownish purple (Leander's Tower), an unused example of fresh colour, dried large part og. Scarce, just 1'215 stamps issued Gi = £ 400.
- 2167** Surcharged  $\frac{1}{4}$  a. on Turkey 5 pa. dull brownish purple (Leander's Tower), an unused example of fresh colour, dried large part og. Scarce, just 1'215 stamps issued. Signed Peter Holcombe Gi = £ 400.
- 2168** Surcharged  $\frac{1}{4}$  a. on Turkey 5 pa. dull brownish purple (Leander's Tower), an unused horizontal pair, slight splitting and hinged as a precautionary measure, dried large part og. Scarce, just 1'215 stamps issued. A scarce multiple Gi = £ 800.
- 2169** Surcharged  $\frac{1}{4}$  a. on Turkey 5 pa. dull brownish purple (Leander's Tower), a used example, tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black, one toned perf. at top otherwise very fine. Scarce, just 1'215 stamps issued Gi = £ 425.

2	*	<b>180</b>	(€ 160)
2	*	<b>180</b>	(€ 160)
2	*	<b>350</b>	(€ 315)
2	△	<b>120</b>	(€ 110)



2170



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Gibbons

Start price  
in CHFStart price  
approx. €

- 2170** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. green (Lighthouse Garden), an unused example centred to left, of good colour, hinge remnants, part og. A rare stamp, just 242 issued. Signed Peter Holcombe Gi = £ 2'000.

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**500**

(€ 450)

- 2171** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. green (Lighthouse Garden), a used mostly on small piece, tied by 'Bagdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black. One toned perf. but a rare stamp, just 242 issued Gi = £ 2'250.

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△

**500**

(€ 450)



2172



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- 2172** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. green (Mosque of Selim), an unused example of perfect centering and fresh colour, slight paper adherence on reverse, very fine, large part og. A very rare stamp with just 119 examples issued. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 5'000.

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**1'500**

(€ 1'350)

- 2173** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. green (Mosque of Selim), an unused example of good colour, one perf. with tone spot, without gum. A very rare stamp with just 119 examples issued. Signed Peter Holcombe Gi = £ 4'500.

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**1'200**

(€ 1'080)



2174

- 2174** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. red (Castle of Europe), an unused example of fresh colour and fine appearance, minor aging on large part og. A very rare stamp with just 274 examples issued Gi = £ 1'300.

Provenance: Tommy Allen.

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**400**

(€ 360)



2175



2176

- 2175** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. blue (Mosque of Sultan Ahmed), an unused example of good colour, fresh and fine appearance, aging on large part og. and some black ink adherence on gum. A very scarce stamp with just 820 examples issued. Signed Holcombe Gi = £ 550.

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**200**

(€ 180)

- 2176** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. blue (Mosque of Sultan Ahmed), an unused example, slightly soiled on lower perfs., slightly aged large part og. A very scarce stamp with just 820 examples issued Gi = £ 550.

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**180**

(€ 160)





2177

Gibbons

Start price	Start price
in CHF	approx. €

- 2177** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. blue (Mosque of Sultan Ahmed), a used example tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black. Fresh and very fine, a scarce stamp with just 820 examples issued Gi = £ 600.

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**200** (€ 180)

2178



2179



2180

- 2178** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 20 pa. red (Castle of Europe) with star in dull blue, an unused example of good colour, fresh and fine, large part og. A very scarce stamp with just 415 examples issued. Signed Holcombe. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 900.
- 2179** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 20 pa. red (Castle of Europe) with star in dull blue, an unused example of good colour, fresh and very fine, large part og. A scarce stamp with just 415 examples issued. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 900.
- 2180** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 20 pa. red (Castle of Europe) with star in dull blue, an unused example of good colour, of fine appearance, hinge remnants on part og. A very scarce stamp with just 415 examples issued. Signed Economist (Edward Stern, 1926). Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 850.

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**300** (€ 270)

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**300** (€ 270)

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**300** (€ 270)

2181



Serai Mosque in Baghdad

- 2181** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 20 pa. red (Castle of Europe) with star in dull blue, a very fine example used on neat 'Roffey' cover addressed to the Lieutenant at GHQ in Baghdad, tied by 'Bagdad' cds (11.SEP.17 / 11.30 AM) in black. Circular "Passed Censor / D" in red alongside and reverse with F.P.O. No. (55) datestamp of arrival. Just 415 stamps issued. Illustrated in the F. Khalaltschy handbook on page 175. A splendid and very rare cover. Provenance: Shanahan, Dublin, Sale 71, 19 July 1958, lot 842.

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**2'000** (€ 1'800)



British forces in Baghdad



2182

Gibbons

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approx. €

- 2182** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. blue (Mosque of Sultan Ahmed) with star in red, an unused example centred to right, one slightly blunt perf. and tiny wrinkles but of fresh and fine appearance, hinge remnants on part og. An exceedingly rare stamp with just 59 examples issued. Signed Peter Holcombe. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 11'000.  
*Provenance: Corinphila sale 91, 2-9 March 1996, lot 5609.*

8 \* **3'500** (€ 3'150)



2183



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- 2183** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. carmine (Old GPO Building, Constantinople), an unused example of good colour, of fine appearance, rounded perfs. at right, hinge remnants on part og. A very rare stamp with just 270 examples issued. Signed Economist (Edward Stern, 1926). Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 1'700.
- 2184** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. carmine (Old GPO Building, Constantinople), perf. 12½, an unused horizontal pair of good colour, light tone spot on perf. and unobtrusive diagonal gum bend but of very fresh appearance, large part og. A very rare stamp with just 270 examples issued, rarer still in a multiple. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 3'400+.
- 2185** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. carmine (Old GPO Building, Constantinople), a used example, lightly cancelled and of fine appearance. A very rare stamp with just 270 examples issued. Signed Peter Holcombe Gi = £ 1'700.
- 2186** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. carmine (Old GPO Building, Constantinople), a used example tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds in black (17.SEP.17), heavy stain at right but good reference for this very rare stamp with just 270 examples issued Gi = £ 1'700.

9 \* **500** (€ 450)

9 \* **1'000** (€ 900)

9 **500** (€ 450)

9 △ **180** (€ 160)



Street scene in Baghdad



2187

Gibbons

Start price	Start price
in CHF	approx. €

- 2187** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. carmine (Old GPO Building, Constantinople), a very fine example used on neat 'Roffey' cover addressed to the Lieutenant at GHQ in Baghdad, tied by 'Bagdad' cds (14.SEP.17 / 11.30 AM) in black. Circular "Passed Censor / D" in red alongside and reverse with F.P.O. No. 55 datestamp of arrival (Sept 15). Just 270 stamps issued. Illustrated in the F. Khalatschy handbook on page 176. Slight crease to envelope away from adhesive at upper right, but a delightful and very rare cover.  
*Provenance: Shanahan, Dublin, Sale 71, 19 July 1958, lot 843.*

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**2'000** (€ 1'800)

2188



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- 2188** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. blue (Old GPO Building, Constantinople), perf. 13½, an unused example of good colour and of fine appearance, perforations a tad blunted, minor aging on perfs. on reverse with small nick at right, large part og. A very rare stamp with just 148 examples issued. Signed Peter Holcombe. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 4'000.
- 2189** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. blue (Old GPO Building, Constantinople), perf. 13½, a fine lightly used example tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black. Perforations a tad close to the edge of the piece and a wrinkle at upper right of no significance, rare and very fine with just 148 examples issued. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 4'500.  
*Provenance: Collection 'Cihangir', Corinthila sale 123, October 2000, lot 4727.*
- 2190** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. blue (Old GPO Building, Constantinople), perf. 13½, a fine lightly used example tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds in black. Slight rub on lower right corner perforation. Very rare and very fine with just 148 examples issued. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 4'500.

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**1'000** (€ 900)

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**1'200** (€ 1'080)

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**1'200** (€ 1'080)





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2193

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
2191	Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. black & violet (Old GPO Building, Constantinople), perf. 12½, a fine unused example of good colour and centering, fresh and fine, large part og. Just 1'339 examples issued, but less with this perforation. Signed Peter Holcombe Gi = £ 800.	11	*	<b>350</b>	(€ 315)
2192	Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. black & violet (Old GPO Building, Constantinople), perf. 13½, an unused example of fine appearance, fresh and very fine, large part og. Scarce stamp with just 1'339 examples issued. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 475.	11b	*	<b>180</b>	(€ 160)
2193	Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. black & violet (Old GPO Building, Constantinople), perf. 13½, an unused example of fine appearance, unobtrusive horizontal bend and pencil manuscript on reverse on large part og. Scarce stamp, just 1'339 examples issued. Signed HRH (Harmer) Gi = £ 425.	11b	*	<b>150</b>	(€ 135)



2194



2195

2194	Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. black & violet (Old GPO Building, Constantinople), perf. 12½, a fine unused block of four of good colour and centering, fresh and fine, hinged as a precaution across perforations, large part og. Just 1'339 examples issued, but less with this perforation and multiples can only be considered as great rarities. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 3'400+.	11	田*	<b>1'500</b>	(€ 1'350)
2195	Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. black & violet (Old GPO Building, Constantinople), perf. 13½, a used example tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black. Scarce stamp, just 1'339 examples issued Gi = £ 450.	11b	△	<b>150</b>	(€ 135)



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Gibbons

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approx. €

- 2196** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. ultramarine (GPO Building), an unused example, centred to left but of fresh colour, large part og. A very rare stamp with just 346 examples issued. Signed Peter Holcombe Gi = £ 1'600.
- 2197** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. ultramarine (GPO Building), a used example, tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black. Note the second 'D' in BAGHDAD has failed to print. A very rare stamp with just 346 examples issued. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 1'900.  
*Provenance: Collection 'Cihangir', Corinthia sale 123, October 2000, lot 4729.*

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**500**

(€ 450)

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**500**

(€ 450)



2198



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- 2198** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. green (GPO Building) with star & crescent in red, an unused example, of fresh colour, large part og. A scarce stamp with just 1'261 examples issued Gi = £ 400.
- 2199** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. green (GPO Building) with star & crescent in red, an unused example, of fresh colour, large part og. A scarce stamp with just 1'261 examples issued. Signed Peter Holcombe Gi = £ 400.

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**150**

(€ 135)

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**150**

(€ 135)



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2201



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- 2200** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. green (GPO Building) with star & crescent in red, an unused vertical pair, of fresh colour, large part og., lower stamp unmounted og. A scarce stamp, particularly so in a multiple, with just 1'261 examples issued. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 850.
- 2201** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. green (GPO Building) with star & crescent in red, an unused vertical pair, lower stamp small surface rub at base but of fresh colour, large part og. A scarce stamp, particularly so in a multiple, with just 1'261 examples issued. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 800.
- 2202** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. green (GPO Building) with star & crescent in red, an unused horizontal strip of four, of fresh colour, hinged as a precautionary measure, large part og. A scarce stamp, particularly so in a multiple, with just 1'261 examples issued. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 1'700+.
- 2203** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. green (GPO Building) with star & crescent in red, a fine used example tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black. A fine and scarce stamp with just 1'261 examples issued Gi = £ 425.

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**350**

(€ 315)

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**300**

(€ 270)

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**750**

(€ 675)

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**150**

(€ 135)





2204

Gibbons

Start price	Start price
in CHF	approx. €

- 2204** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. green (GPO Building, Constantinople), a fine example used on 'Roffey' cover addressed to the Lieutenant at GHQ in Baghdad, tied by slightly watery 'Bagdad' cds (11.SEP.17) in black. Circular "Passed Censor / D" in red alongside and reverse with F.P.O. No. 55 datestamp of arrival (Sept 11). Just 1'261 stamps issued. Not illustrated in the F. Khalatschy handbook. Slight crease to envelope away from adhesive at upper right, but a delightful and very rare cover.

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**1'500** (€ 1'350)*Marquess of Bute*

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- 2205** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. rose (GPO Building) with star & crescent in black, a used example on small piece with variety "Value Omitted", fresh and very fine, cancelled by clear 'Baghdad' cds of First Day of Issue (1 SEP 17) in black. Illustrated in the Khalatschy handbook on page 70. An enormously rare stamp and one of the key items of Iraq philately. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 10'000.

*Provenance:* Harmers, London, 17 Dec 1923, lot 357

Harmers, London, 22 Dec 1953, lot 314

Collection Marquess of Bute, Robson Lowe, 20 May 1959, lot 33

Harmers, London, 8 July 1999, lot 1018.

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**5'000** (€ 4'500)



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2207

Gibbons

Start price  
in CHFStart price  
approx. €

- 2206** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. rose (GPO Building) with star & crescent in black, an unused example of fresh colour, vertical gum crease and some light aging on perfs. not detracting greatly from appearance, large part og. A very scarce stamp with just 270 examples issued. Signed Peter Holcombe *Gi* = £ 1'300.

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**350**

(€ 315)

- 2207** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. rose (GPO Building) with star & crescent in black, a used example tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black. A very scarce stamp with just 270 examples issued. Cert. BPA (2019) *Gi* = £ 1'400.

*Provenance: Collection 'Cihangir', Corinthila sale 123, October 2000, lot 4731.*

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**400**

(€ 360)



2208



2210



2209

- 2208** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. rose (1905 Toughra) with star & crescent in black, perf. 13½ x 12, an unused example of fine colour and superb appearance, large part og. A rare stamp with just 249 examples issued. Signed Peter Holcombe *Gi* = £ 1'400.

*Provenance: Shreves, Dallas, 15 Sept 2000, lot 1771.*

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**500**

(€ 450)

- 2209** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. rose (1905 Toughra) with star & crescent in black, perf. 13½ x 12, an unused example of good colour, minor bends due to the thin paper not affecting frontal appearance, unused without gum. A rare stamp with just 249 examples issued. Signed Peter Holcombe *Gi* = £ 1'400.

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**400**

(€ 360)

- 2210** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. rose (1905 Toughra) with star & crescent in black, perf. 13½ x 12, a used example of good colour, tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black. A rare stamp with just 249 examples issued *Gi* = £ 1'500.

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**400**

(€ 360)



2211

- 2211** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. rose (1901 Toughra) with five pointed star & crescent in black, perf. 13½, an unused example of good colour, minor horizontal gum bend mentioned for complete accuracy only and not affecting the appearance in any way, fresh and very fine, large part og. A exceedingly rare stamp with just 65 examples issued. Signed Herbert Bloch. Cert. BPA (2019) *Gi* = £ 13'000.

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**5'000**

(€ 4'500)



2212



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- 2212** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. ultramarine (GPO Building), with star and crescent in red, an unused example, of fresh colour, toned along top perforations, large part og. A scarce stamp with just 1'051 examples issued  $G_i = £ 425$ .
- 2213** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. ultramarine (GPO Building), with star and crescent in red, an unused example, of fresh colour, couple of small spots in the right hand margin, minor gum bends on large part og. A scarce stamp with just 1'051 examples issued  $G_i = £ 425$ .
- 2214** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. ultramarine (GPO Building), with star and crescent in red, a used example tied to small irregular piece by 'Bagdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black. A fine example of a scarce stamp with just 1'051 examples issued  $G_i = £ 450$ .

Gibbons

Start price  
in CHFStart price  
approx. €

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**150**

(€ 135)

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**150**

(€ 135)



2215



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- 2215** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. ultramarine (1901 Toughra), with star and crescent in red, an unused example, fresh and fine, large part og. A scarce stamp with just 747 examples issued  $G_i = £ 550$ .
- 2216** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. ultramarine (1901 Toughra), with star and crescent in red, an unused example, of good colour, fresh and fine, large part og. A scarce stamp with just 747 examples issued  $G_i = £ 550$ .
- 2217** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. ultramarine (1901 Toughra), with star and crescent in red, a used example tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black. Small tone spot on perfs. at left otherwise a fine and scarce stamp with just 747 examples issued  $G_i = £ 600$ .

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**200**

(€ 180)

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**200**

(€ 180)

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**150**

(€ 135)



2218



2219



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- 2218** Surcharged 1/2 a. on Turkey 10 pa. grey-green (1905 Toughra), with star and crescent in red, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 13 1/2, an unused example, fresh and fine, large part og. A scarce stamp with just 1'012 examples issued  $G_i = £ 425$ .
- 2219** Surcharged 1/2 a. on Turkey 10 pa. grey-green (1905 Toughra), with star and crescent in red, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 13 1/2, an unused example, fresh and fine, large part og. A scarce stamp with just 1'012 examples issued  $G_i = £ 425$ .
- 2220** Surcharged 1/2 a. on Turkey 10 pa. grey-green (1905 Toughra), with star and crescent in red, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 13 1/2, an unused horizontal pair, fresh and very fine, large part og. A scarce stamp in a multiple with just 1'012 examples issued  $G_i = £ 850$ .

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**180**

(€ 160)

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**180**

(€ 160)

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**400**

(€ 360)





2221



2222

Gibbons

Start price  
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Start price  
approx. €

**2221** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. grey-green (1905 Toughra), with star and crescent in red, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 13½, a used example tied to large piece by 'Baghdad' cds. A scarce stamp with just 1'012 examples issued. Signed HRH (Harmer) Gi = £ 475.

19     △     **180**     (€ 160)

**2222** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 10 pa. grey-green (1905 Toughra), with star and crescent in red, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 13½, a used example tied to small piece by 'Baghdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black. The stamp close to edge of piece at top but scarce, just 1'012 examples issued Gi = £ 475.

19     △     **150**     (€ 135)



2223



2224



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**2223** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 20 pa. carmine (Old GPO Constantinople), with star and crescent in blue, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 13½, a superb unused example, slight traces of ink in right margin from surcharge, fresh and very fine, large part og. Corner crease at lower left not affecting the fine appearance. A rare stamp with just 770 examples issued, many less with this perforation. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 1'200.

20a     \*     **400**     (€ 360)

**2224** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 20 pa. carmine (Old GPO Constantinople), with star and crescent in blue, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12½, a superb unused example, marginal from top of sheet, fresh and very fine, large part og. A very scarce stamp with just 770 examples issued. Marginal examples are seldom encountered Gi = £ 550.

20     \*     **250**     (€ 225)

**2225** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 20 pa. carmine (Old GPO Constantinople), with star and crescent in blue, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 13½, an unused example, toning on reverse and light on front, large part og. A rare stamp with just 770 examples issued, many less with this perforation. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 1'200.

20a     \*     **200**     (€ 180)

**2226** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 20 pa. carmine (Old GPO Constantinople), with star and crescent in blue, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12½, a superb unused example, fresh and very fine, large part og. A very scarce stamp with just 770 examples issued. Signed Peter Holcombe Gi = £ 550.

20     \*     **200**     (€ 180)



2227



Fire Station in Baghdad



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Gibbons

Start price  
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**2227** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 20 pa. carmine (Old GPO Constantinople), with star and crescent in blue, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12½, an unused block of four, of superb colour, fresh and very fine, large part og., lower pair unmounted og. Just 770 examples issued, an extraordinarily scarce stamp in a multiple. Signed Peter Holcombe, Joe Saatchi Gi = £ 2'200+.

20 田\*/\*\* **1'000** (€ 900)

**2228** Surcharged ½ a. on Turkey 20 pa. carmine (Old GPO Constantinople), with star and crescent in blue, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12½, a used example tied to large piece by 'Bagdad' cds. A very scarce stamp with just 770 examples issued. Signed HRH (Harmer) Gi = £ 600.

20 △ **200** (€ 180)

2229



2230



2231



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**2229** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. carmine (GPO Constantinople), with star and crescent in black, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12, a superb unused example, fresh and very fine, large part og. A scarce stamp with just 1'048 examples issued Gi = £ 425.

21 \* **180** (€ 160)

**2230** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. carmine (GPO Constantinople), with star and crescent in black, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12, an unused example, very fine but for light corner crease, large part og. A scarce stamp with just 1'048 examples issued Gi = £ 425.

21 \* **150** (€ 135)

**2231** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. carmine (GPO Constantinople), with star and crescent in black, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12, a used example tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds. A scarce stamp with just 1'048 examples issued Gi = £ 475.

21 △ **180** (€ 160)

**2232** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. carmine (GPO Constantinople), with star and crescent in black, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12, a used example, toned perfs. at top, tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black. A scarce stamp with just 1'048 examples issued Gi = £ 500.

21 △ **120** (€ 110)



2233

Gibbons

Start price  
in CHF

Start price  
approx. €

- 2233** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. carmine (GPO Constantinople), with star and crescent in black, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12, used with  $\frac{1}{4}$  a. on 2 pa. claret (Obelisk) on cover to Major Gibbons, each tied by "F.P.O. No. 55" datestamps (7.SEP.17) with 'Passed Censor / D' in black at left. A most delightful cover, unlisted in the Khalatschy handbook, and an extremely elusive 'No. 1' on cover.

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**2'000** (€ 1'800)



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- 2234** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. carmine (1909 Toughra), with star and crescent in blue, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12, an unused example, slight diagonal bend not affecting the fine appearance, large part og. A very rare stamp with just 288 examples issued. Signed Peter Holcombe. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 1'400.
- 2235** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. carmine (1909 Toughra), with star and crescent in blue, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12, an unused horizontal pair, fresh and fine appearance, superb large part og. A very rare stamp with just 288 examples issued. An exceptional multiple Gi = £ 2'800.
- 2236** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. carmine (1909 Toughra), with star and crescent in blue, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12, a used example tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black. A very rare stamp with just 288 examples issued Gi = £ 1'500.
- 2237** Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 20 pa. carmine (1909 Toughra), with star and crescent in blue, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12, a used example, horizontal crease not affecting the fine appearance, lightly cancelled in black. A very rare stamp with just 288 examples issued Gi = £ 1'500.

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**400** (€ 360)

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**1'000** (€ 900)

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**500** (€ 450)

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**350** (€ 315)





2238



2240



2239

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
2238	Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 10 pa. on 20 pa. claret, with star and crescent in blue, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 13½, an unused example, surface scuff at top and corner crease, small part og. A very scarce stamp with just 434 examples issued. Signed Peter Holcombe Gi = £ 650.	23	*	<b>150</b>	(€ 135)
2239	Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 10 pa. on 20 pa. claret, with star and crescent in blue, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 13½, an unused horizontal pair, fresh and very fine, superb large part og. Just 434 examples issued. A very rare multiple. Signed Peter Holcombe. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 1'400+.	23	*	<b>500</b>	(€ 450)
2240	Surcharged 1 a. on Turkey 10 p.a on 20 pa. claret, with star and crescent in blue, the latter obliterated in blue-black ink, a fine used example tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds (17. SEP.17) in black. Fresh and fine, a scarce stamp with just 434 examples issued Gi = £ 700.	23	△	<b>250</b>	(€ 225)



2241



2242



2243



2244



2245

2241	Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. ultramarine (GPO Building), with star and crescent in red, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12, an unused example centred to base but of fresh colour, large part og. A scarce stamp with just 657 examples issued Gi = £ 550.	24	*	<b>200</b>	(€ 180)
2242	Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. ultramarine (GPO Building), with star and crescent in red, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12, an unused example centred to right but of good colour, blunted perf. at top, part og. A scarce stamp with just 657 examples issued Gi = £ 550.	24	*	<b>150</b>	(€ 135)
2243	Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. ultramarine (GPO Building), with star and crescent in red, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12, a used example tied to small piece by complete 'Bagdad' cds (17.SEP.17) in black. Trivial aging at left, a scarce stamp with just 657 examples issued Gi = £ 650.	24	△	<b>220</b>	(€ 200)
2244	Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. ultramarine (GPO Building), with star and crescent in red, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12, a used example tied to small piece by complete 'Bagdad' cds (15.NOV.17) in black. A superb late usage of this scarce stamp with just 657 examples issued Gi = £ 700.	24	△	<b>220</b>	(€ 200)
2245	Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. ultramarine (GPO Building), with star and crescent in red, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12, a used example tied to small piece by 'Bagdad' cds. A scarce stamp with just 657 examples issued. Cert BPA (2019) Gi = £ 700.	24	△	<b>180</b>	(€ 160)



2246

Gibbons

<b>Start price</b>	<b>Start price</b>
<b>in CHF</b>	<b>approx. £</b>

**2246** Surcharged 2 a. on Turkey 1 pi. ultramarine (1909 Toughra), with star and crescent in red, the latter obliterated in violet-black ink, perf. 12, an unused example with slight ink smudge at base from surcharge, fresh and fine, large part og. A rare stamp with just 111 examples issued. Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 5'500.

*Provenance: Shreves, Dallas, 14-15 Sept 2000, lot 1773.*

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**2'000** (€ 1'800)

2247

**2247** The 'Tourist' pass - the set of those stamps presumably still available on 10 Sept 1917, all applied on what is now two pieces of paper, with folds away from the adhesives; the first page with eighteen stamps and the second with seven; with Stanley Gibbons numbers as follows: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10a, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20a, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25; all individually tied by BAGDAD cds's (10.SEP.17) in black. Minor aging, the pages cleaned and reinforced with tape, a colour photocopy of the item prior to this enclosed with the lot. Extremely rare, the **Khalatschy handbook states that just four of these items were made**. A sensational item. Cert. BPA (2001) Gi = £ 60'000+.

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**12'000** (€ 10'800)

British Occupation: Issues for Mosul, 1919 (Feb 1)



2248

**2248** 1 a. on 20 pa. black on red, perf. 12, a fine unused pair centred to top, variety "Imperforate Between", fresh and very fine, superb og. Extremely rare. Signed Peter Holcombe. Cert. BPA (2019) <sup>Gi</sup> = £ 1'100.  
*Provenance: Harmers, London, 28 Jan 1998, lot 1378.*

Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
2a	*	400	(€ 360)



2249

**2249** Surcharged small 4 a. on Turkish Fiscal 1 pi. deep violet, wmk. zigzag lines, a complete sheet of 25 subjects, slight toning as ever on multiples of this, the 'tag' at top with two tone spots, otherwise fresh and very fine appearance, toning on large part or unmounted og. Believed to be one of the two complete sheets now extant. Ex the Peter Holcombe reference collection.  
*Provenance: Peter Holcombe reference collection, Harmers, London, 28 Jan 1998, lot 1381.*

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2250

- 2250** 8 a. on Fiscal 10 pa. lake-red, wmk. zigzags, an unused example with variety "Surcharge Inverted", of good colour, one corner perf. strengthened, large part og. A very elusive stamp, Cert. BPA (2019) Gi = £ 900.

*Provenance: Peter Holcombe reference collection, Harmers, London, 28 Jan 1998, lot 1382.*

- 2251** The collection on leaves, with unused blocks of ½ a. on 1 pi. green & red in a corner block of twenty five (5 x 5); 1 a. on 20 pa. black on red (small toughra) in differing shades in two complete sheets of 25 with tags; 2½ a. on 1 pi. mauve & yellow in a block of 24 (position 21 missing), 3 a. on 20 pa. green in a complete sheet of 25 with tag; large 4 a. on 1 pi. deep violet in a sheet of 25 with tag; 8 a on 10 pa. lake in a sheet of 25 with tag. A generally fine group Gi = £ 500+.

*Provenance: Peter Holcombe reference collection, Harmers, London, 28 Jan 1998, lot 1376.*

Gibbons

Start price  
in CHF      Start price  
approx. €

8a      \*      **250**      (€ 225)

1/8      田\*/\*\*      **150**      (€ 135)

## Issued Stamps



ex 2252



ex 2253



- 2252** 1918/20: Surcharged on Turkey, the set of 13 values, all perforated SPECIMEN reading down, complete (the ½ pa. was not produced thus), 8 a. slightly faded otherwise fresh and fine, large part og. Scarce Gi = £ 900.

1s/14s      \*      **300**      (€ 270)

- 2253** 1923/27: King Faisal I pictorial definitive set of thirteen values, fine unused overprinted SPECIMEN in black or red (2 r.), also 1927 1 r. red-brown optd. SPECIMEN in black, fresh and fine, large part og. Gi = £ 950+.

41s/53s+ 78s      \*      **300**      (€ 270)



ex 2254



ex 2255

- 2254** King Faisal definitive issue, the complete set of thirteen values to 25 r. violet, fresh colours and fine, large part og. Scarce and appealing set Gi = £ 2'500.

80/92      \*      **750**      (€ 675)

- 2255** King Faisal definitive issue, the complete set of thirteen values to 25 r. violet, all perforated hooded SPECIMEN, fresh and very fine, large part og. Rare Gi = £ 1'600.

80s/92s      \*      **750**      (€ 675)



2256



King Faisal I of Iraq

		Gibbons	Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
2256	1931 (Feb 17): King Faisal 25 r. violet, wmk. Multiple Script CA sideways, the magnificent unused block of four, marginal from right of sheet, fresh and very fine, superb og. with lower pair unmounted og. Immensely rare, there are but three blocks known of this iconic stamp. Exhibition item Gi = £ 9'000+.	92 田**	5'000	(€ 4'500)



2257



2258



2259



2260

2257	1932 (April): New Currency 3 f. on ½ a. green, an unused block of four with variety "Surcharge Inverted", fresh and very fine, somewhat browned unmounted og. A rare multiple Gi = £ 1'200+. <i>Provenance: Harmers, London, 28 Aug 2003, lot 707.</i>	107b 田**	400	(€ 360)
2258	New Currency 5 f. on 1 a. red-brown, an unused block of four with variety "Surcharge Inverted", fresh and very fine, somewhat browned unmounted og. A rare multiple Gi = £ 1'900+. <i>Provenance: Harmers, London, 28 Aug 2003, lot 708.</i>	109b 田**	600	(€ 540)
2259	New Currency 8 f. on 1½ a. scarlet, an unused block of four with variety "Surcharge Inverted", fresh and very fine, somewhat browned unmounted og. A rare multiple Gi = £ 1'000+. <i>Provenance: Harmers, London, 28 Aug 2003, lot 709.</i>	110a 田**	250	(€ 225)
2260	New Currency 20 f. on 4 a. slate-purple, an unused block of four with variety "Surcharge Inverted", fresh and very fine, somewhat browned unmounted og. A rare multiple Gi = £ 2'200+. <i>Provenance: Harmers, London, 28 Aug 2003, lot 710.</i>	113a 田**	750	(€ 675)



2261

*"Flis for Fils"*

Gibbons

Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
1'000	(€ 900)

- 2261** New Currency surcharged 25 f. on 4 a. violet, the unused horizontal pair from the lower right corner of the sheet (Row 10, positions 14-15), first stamp showing variety "Inverted Arabic 5", second stamp with "Flis for Fils" variety, fresh and very fine, superb large part og. Extremely scarce in a pair with both varieties Gi = £ 2'750.

114c	*	1'000	(€ 900)
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*"No Fraction Bar in  
English 1/2"*

2262

- 2262** New Currency 1/2 d. on 10 r. scarlet, the unused horizontal pair from the lower left corner of the sheet, first stamp showing variety "No Fraction Bar in English 1/2", fresh and very fine, superb large part og. Extremely scarce Gi = £ 2'150.

120a+ 120	*	500	(€ 450)
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ex 2263



2264



2265

- 2263** New Currency, the surcharged set of sixteen values, fresh colours and fine, large part og. Scarce Gi = £ 550.
- 2264** 1932 (May-June): New Currency, the set of seventeen values to 1 dinar unused, top values being corner marginal examples, all perforated hooded SPECIMEN, fresh and fine, large part og. A scarce and fine set Gi = £ 850.
- 2265** New Currency, the set of seventeen values to 1 dinar unused, many being corner marginal examples, fresh and fine, large part og. Gi = £ 375.

106/121	*	200	(€ 180)
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138s/154s	*	300	(€ 270)
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138/154	*	100	(€ 90)
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## Official Stamps



2266



2267

- 2266** 1921/23: 'On State Service' complete set of eight values, wmk. Multiple Script CA, all in matching vertical pairs overprinted SPECIMEN in red (1 a. on 20 pa. in black), fresh and very fine, superb og. A very scarce set, especially so in multiples, the 6 a., 12 a. and 2 r. all with marginal imprint at base Gi = £ 1'100.

*Provenance: Harmers, London, 8 July 2003, lot 684.*

- 2267** 1923: Official 'On State Service' set of twelve values complete, all in vertical or horizontal unused pairs, each overprinted SPECIMEN in black (in red on 2 r. value), fresh and very fine, superb large part og. A scarce set, especially so in multiples Gi = £ 1'700.

Gibbons

Start price  
in CHF      Start price  
approx. €

O33s/O43s

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**350**

(€ 315)

O54s/O65s

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**400**

(€ 360)



ex 2268



2269



2270



2271

- 2268** Official 'On State Service' set of twelve values complete, all in vertical or horizontal unused pairs, each overprinted SPECIMEN in red (in black on 1½ a., 1 r., 5 r. and 10 r. values), slight colour loss on 5 r., superb large part og., also the 1927 Faisal 1 r. red-brown in a SPECIMEN pair. A scarce set, especially so in multiples Gi = £ 1'900+.

O66s/O77s+

O79s

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**500**

(€ 450)

- 2269** 1931: Official 'On State Service' 25 r. violet, an unused example of fresh colour, imperceptible gum bend not affecting the appearance, superb large part og. A rare stamp Gi = £ 2'250.

O105

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**750**

(€ 675)

- 2270** Official 'On State Service' 25 r. violet, an unused example of fresh colour, superb large part og. A rare stamp Gi = £ 2'250.

O105

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**750**

(€ 675)

- 2271** 1932 (April 1): Official 40 f. on 8 a. deep green, an unused example with variety "Flis for Fils", large part og. A scarce stamp. Signed J. Saatchi Gi = £ 900.

O131a

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**300**

(€ 270)



2272



2273

		Gibbons		Start price in CHF	Start price approx. €
2272	Official 50 f. on 1 r. chocolate, an unused horizontal pair, marginal from top of sheet, first stamp with variety "Inverted Arabic 5", fresh and fine, large part og. Gi = £ 350.	O132a+			
		O132	*	150	(€ 135)
2273	Official 75 f. on 1 r. chocolate, an unused horizontal pair, marginal from left of sheet, first stamp with variety "Inverted Arabic 5", fresh and fine, large part og. Gi = £ 170.	O133a+			
		O133	*	80	(€ 70)



2274

2274	Official 1 dinar on 25 r. violet, an unused block of four of excellent colour, fresh and very fine, superb large part og. A very rare stamp in a multiple Gi = £ 1'500+.	O137	田*	600	(€ 540)
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2275

2275	Official set of sixteen values to 1 dinar on 25 r. violet unused, 10 f. with corner fault otherwise fresh and very fine, large part og. Scarce Gi = £ 650.	O122/O137	*	180	(€ 160)
2276	1918/32: Small balance of the collection with 1918/21 set fine unused (Gi = £ 190), 1923/25 pictorial definitive set unused (Gi = £ 300), 1927 1 r. brown unused, 1924/25 Official set to 10 r. lake complete unused (Gi = £ 325), Official 1927 1 r. brown and 1931 Official set to 10 r. unused but for 1 a. and 2 a. values used, 1932 Official set of seventeen unused (Gi = £ 225), generally fine, a useful group.		*	250	(€ 225)