# In the wake of James Cook 1728-1779

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In January 1774 James Cook wrote in his journal:

#### "not only farther than any other man has been before me, but as far as I think it is possible for man to go"

James Cook is widely regarded as the greatest sea explorer of all time. He was an 18th century British mariner conducting three major scientific voyages of discovery and exploration ranging from the Antarctic ice fields to the Bering Strait and from the Pacific coast of North America to Australia. He almost single-handedly disproved the existence of any great Southern Continent, and in the process charted New Zealand and the east coast of Australia, and put Hawaii on the map. Naturalists collected natural history items and artists documented it for posterity.



Depicts James Cook, ENDEAVOUR and Queen Elisabeth II. GB 1968 Anniversaries issue.

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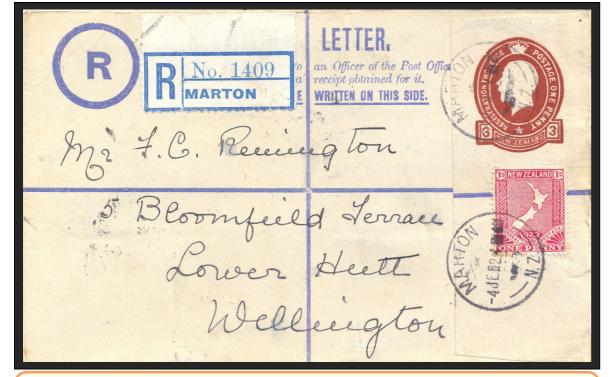
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# Early years and the beginning of a career at sea



{1} James Cook was born on 27 October 1728 at Marton-in-Cleveland in the north-eastern corner of England.





Postal stationery; registered envelope. Domestic use to Lower Hutt, tied by Marton 4 June 1924 cds. Backstamped Lower Hutt 5 June 1924 arrival cds. The registration fee of 3d (in force 1 Aug 1920 to 28 Feb 1931) is covered by the value imprint and the domestic letter rate (in force 1 Mar 1923 to 28 Feb 1931) by the affixed stamp. Marton in New Zealand was named in 1869 to honour the birthplace of James Cook.



{2} At the age of 17 James entered the Merchant Navy..

 $\{3\}$  .as an apprentice on the Whitby-collier FREELOVE.



{4} Cook was part of operating the **coal** trade transporting coal from Newcastle to London.



1882/85 New Zealand Sideface issue 2d lilac, advertisement on stamp +copy of front

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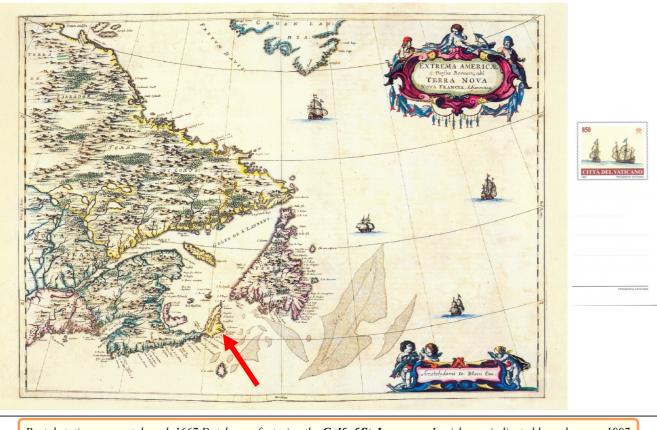
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# James Cook was part of the war with France in Atlantic Canada



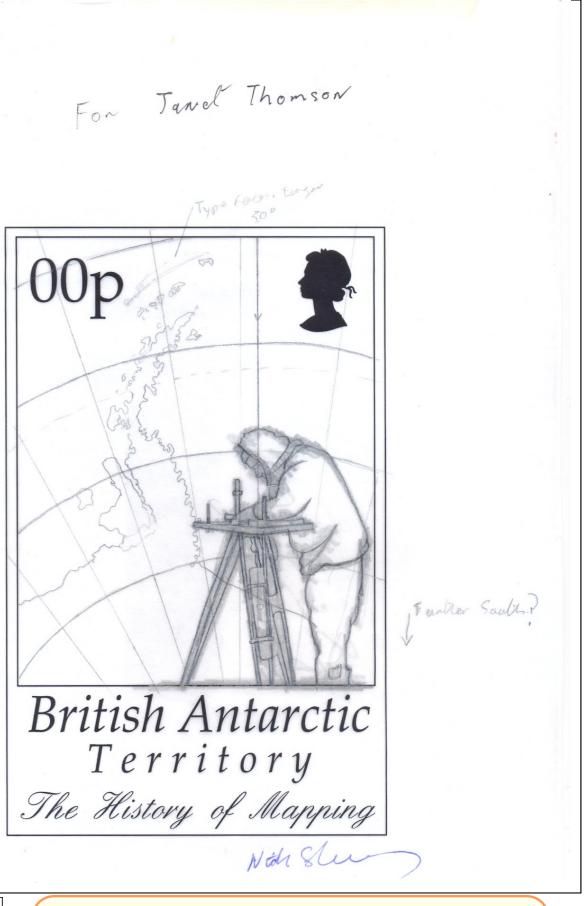
Postal stationery; postal card. 1667 Dutch map featuring the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Louisbourg indicated by red arrow. 1997

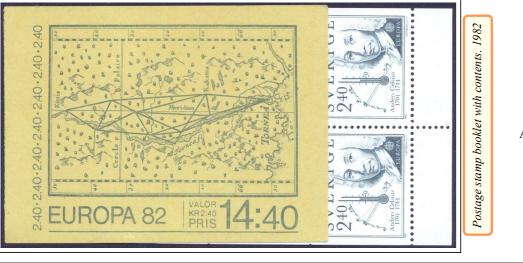
{1} In 1755 Cook signed on for the Royal Navy and in 1758 he was in Canada fighting the French in the Seven Years War. The French possessions were dependent upon control of the **Gulf of St. Lawrence**, the **St. Lawrence River** and Quebec.

{2} To wrest the control of the St. Lawrence River two forts had to be attacked.
The first was Louisbourg (red arrow) at the mouth of the Gulf of St. Lawrence and then Quebec itself (next page).

{3} In July 1758 Fort Louisbourg was captured but as the season was well advanced it was decided to postpone the assault on Quebec.







 {4} Shortly after the capture of Fort Louisbourg Cook met
 Army Surveyor Samuel Holland (1728-1801).
 Cook was impressed with the skills of the young man and in the following months
 Cook learned new surveying techniques such as triangulation and how to use the plane table.



Original artwork in pencil and ink on tracing paper for the 1997 British Antarctic Territory issue -The History of Mapping. Signed by the artist Nick Shewring. Unique. Total size 297 x 210 mm (A4). Features a scientist using a **plane table**.

Crown Agents Stamp Bureau acted for and on behalf of the Administration of British Antarctic Territory in issuing the stamp (left) which was part of a set of five. Janet Thomson was Head of the Mapping and Geographic Centre at the British Antarctic Survey working closely with the artist and Crown Agents in designing the stamp(s).



# The Siege of Quebec and the islands of Saint Pierre and Miquelon surveyed

{1} As a prelude to the assault on Quebec the following year the British dispatched troops burning and destroying French settlements that might send supplies to Quebec. One of these settlements was Gaspé.

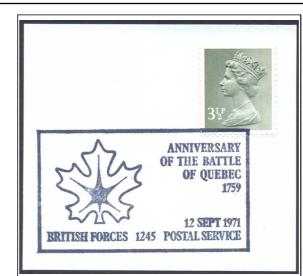


{3} Jacques Cartier (1491-1557) was born in St. Malo in Brittany.

He discovered the St. Lawrence River in 1534..

{2} Cook brought his new skills to good use and prepared a map of Gaspé Harbour which was published later that year.





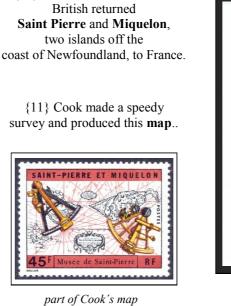


{8} The British general James Wolfe (1727-59) was killed in the battle..



 $\{10\}$  At the end of the war the

 $\{9\}$  .and so was the French general de Montcalm (1712-59).



{12} .before the islands were handed back to the first French Governor Francois-Gabriel d'Angeac (1708-82) in 1763.



Trial colour plate proof



{4} .and later **Quebec** was ounded on the **northern shore** of the river.



{5} Quebec comes from the Algonquin word "Kebec" which means "where the river narrows".



{6} **Cook** took part in the Siege of Quebec which lasted all summer of 1759.



as issued







Engraver's die proof, signed by J. Combet. Final stage proof from the hardened die before acceptance by the Postal Administration. 29 mm official seal inscribed "Imprimerie des Timbres-Poste - France". Printed in 5 (or 6) colours, 3-8 in each colour with a total of up to 28.





{7} The **Battle of Quebec** took place on Sept 13th 1759 on the Plains of Abraham just outside Quebec.





as issued



Newfoundland charted



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# A celestial event important to science

{1} Observing the **Transit of Venus** was the primary aim of Cook's First Voyage.

{2} A Venus Transit is a celestial event during which the "inner planet" Venus, the Earth and the Sun are aligned and Venus is seen as a small black dot passing across the face of the Sun.







{5} .and the British astronomer Edmund Halley (1656-1742) described in 1691 how transits..

{3} The Persian polymath Avicenna (c980-1037) was probably the first to describe a transit. He claimed to have observed Venus as a black spot on the Sun; the observation was undated but it could have been the transit in 1034.

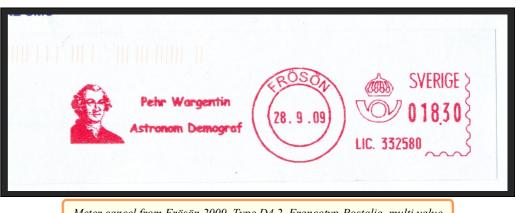
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{4} The German astronomer

Johannes Kepler (1571-1630)

{7} Pehr Wargentin (1717-83), a Swedish astronomer, was one of many observers of the transit in 1761 but the results were disappointing.

{8} Scientists from the Royal Society in London had calculated that a place in the South Pacific would be a vantage point from which to observe the transit predicted for June 1769.



{9} The British explorer Samuel Wallis (1728-95) had returned in 1768 from a voyage round the world having discovered a tropical island in the South Pacific. It was the island of Tahiti...





{12} The Hungarian astronomer **Maximilian Hell** (1720-92) travelled to the high northern latitudes in Norway, and Cook was selected to lead the scientific expedition to the South Pacific.



Artist's drawing, acrylic on art paper. Artist F. L. Lamosas. Unsigned, unique. 1981 Burundi 350th Death Anniversary of Johannes Kepler issue. Ex Fournier archive

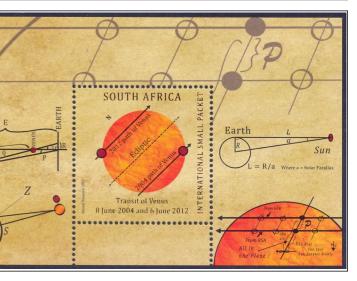




{10} .perfectly located in the **path of Venus**. Tahiti was chosen from which to observe the transit.







{6} .could be used to calculate the distance from the Earth to the Sun.

Meter cancel from Frösön 2009. Type D4.2. Francotyp-Postalia, multi value

*Trial colour plate proof with colour code in pencil* 

{11} Venus Transits occurs in sequences of 8 -  $121\frac{1}{2}$  - 8 -  $105\frac{1}{2}$  years. The latest transit occured in 1761 so the transit in 1769 would be the last opportunity for many years. It was important that the precisely timed observations had to be made from as widely separated latitudes on the Earth's surface as possible.

# COOK ISLANDS NTENARY OF FIRST VOYAGE OF VERY CAPTAIN JAMES COOK S ARE BASED ON AUTHENTIC PAINTINGS OR ENGRAVINGS OF COOK'S VOYAGES IN THE COLLECTION OF THE ALEXANDER TURNBUT

Unadopted essay, submitted for Cook Islands Bicentenary of the First Voyage of Discovery issue 1968. Shows Queen Elizabeth II, sketch with globe and Cook (Dance portrait). Total size 217 x 173 mm. Ex Fournier archives

{1} A second objective of the voyage was to search for the Southern Continent (Terra Australis).

{2} The fabled continent was imagined to counteract the land masses in the Northern Hemisphere and appeared on many mapmakers Mappa Mundi as a large Pole-encircling continent.

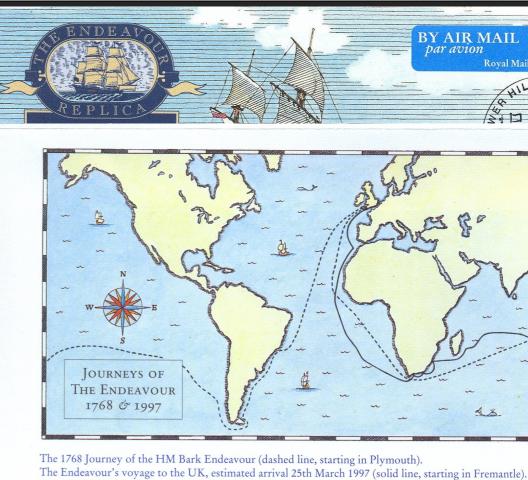


Mappa Mundi by Abraham Ortelius (1527-98)



- A second objective of the journey and Cook's departure
  - {3} James Cook was selected to command the expedition and on August 25th 1768 (civil time) he departed Plymouth on his First Voyage of Discovery ... scover
    - James Cook had the rank of lieutenant on the First Voyage and was promoted to captain after the voyage.





Postal stationery; aerogramme (reverse) commemorating the British voyage of ENDEAVOUR Replica (p.18) in 1997. The dashed line shows the journey of James Cook 1768-71. Copy of front (top).

{4} .which was to last for almost three years and take him round the world.

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COOK ISLANDS

A vessel well suited for the voyage ahead

{1} A Whitby collier was selected for the voyage. It was the Earl of PEMBROKE later renamed ENDEAVOUR Bark. In the 18th century the term bark was used by the Royal Navy for a 3-masted, flat-bottomed ship.

{2} ENDEAVOUR had three masts and carried square sails on all masts and a fore-and-aft sail on the mizzen-mast (the mast nearest the stern).



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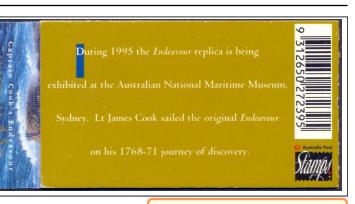
**New Zealand** 

The stamp was issued with 50c face value.



A vessel well suited for the voyage and a modern replica

{2} ENDEAVOUR carried small boats... {1} The ENDEAVOUR stern was decorated with carvings. She had four stern windows and a middle "window" which was a dummy covering the rudder post. \*\*\*\*\* {4} In 1993 a replica of Cook's original ENDEAVOUR was launched in Australia. **Proofs by the Format Process** The ENDEAVOUR Replica is a museum ship based in Sydney, Australia. {5} From Oct 1996 to May 2000 **Republic of Maldives** the ENDEAVOUR Replica CAPT. JAMES COOK 250th Anniversary circumnavigated the globe and visited Whitby in 1997. (see aerogramme p.14) 1/9 VISI RST VOYAGE OF DISCOVERY 1768-100 {6} A second trip round the world started in February 2002 and NYORKS 13MP finished April 2005 in Sydney. Format International Security Printers Ltd Parkhouse Estate, Parkhouse Street, London SE5. Telephone 01-703 5068 Cables Formpro, London SE5 ELIE Master proof cut to stamp size and affixed to printer's presentation card. Captain Cook's discovery of Hawaii issue. Maldives 1978 {7} Worldwide two {3} .and Cook was directed to carry **cork** settlements/communities 16DF83 jackets (life-jackets) on the ENDEAVOUR. are named after Cook's ENDEAVOUR. 88 AUSTRALIAN ANTARCTIC TERRITORY 1c{8} Endeavour Hills is a suburb in Melbourne, Australia and in 1970 the name was Mrs. J. S. Mile 220 Statutine C. Austrine C. AUSTRALIAN ANTARCTIC TERRITORY coined in honour of the 1c200th anniversary of Cook's arrival in Botany Bay (p.57). ANOUR -A post office was opened on September 5th 1983. Due to the delayed arrival of the proper datestamp a Relief no 88 datestamp was in use up to December 16 1983 when the Endeavour Hills postmarker was introduced. Philatelic. Fancy cancel. New York City segmented cork cancels. Cover from New York to Montreal, Canada. Backstamped arrival cds Montreal Sept 9 1863. Postage 10c = cross-border cover rate in 1863.



Postage stamp booklet (reverse). 1995



#### {9} On New Zealand's South Island a small farming community is named **Endeavour Inlet**.



A post office opened 1 May 1885 and closed 1976. The first datestamp used was inscribed Endr Inlet.



Certificate of posting form supplied with the date of posting provided a proof that the item had been posted.

#### Joseph Banks was the chief naturalist



Unadopted essay, original preliminary pencil drawing on tracing paper by James Berry. Shows a portrait of **Joseph Banks** and raising the flag at Queen Charlotte Sound, New Zealand. New Zealand Cook Bicentenary issue, 1969. Issued stamp below, left.

{1} Supernumeraries were not part of the ship's company but consisted of naturalists, artists, astronomers etc.
 The twenty-five-year-old naturalist Joseph Banks (1743-1820) was the scientific leader of the expedition.



As issued, "embossed head omitted" variety. Portrait medallion "Joseph Banks" modelled 1775-9 by John Flaxman for J. Wedgwood & Sons, UK + ENDEAVOUR. {2} On the voyage the naturalists collected many plants and animals never before seen by Europeans.It is estimated that they brought more than 1300 new species of flowers back to England.

Red beech



Dillenia alata after sketch by Parkinson Wild rosella



Hibiscus meraukensis after sketch by Parkinson





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{3} .and two suburbs in Sydney, Australia are named to commemorate Joseph Banks.

{4} **Bankstown** is located in south-western Sydney 16 km from the city centre.. A post office opened Apr 1st 1863.

Joseph Banks and his legacy

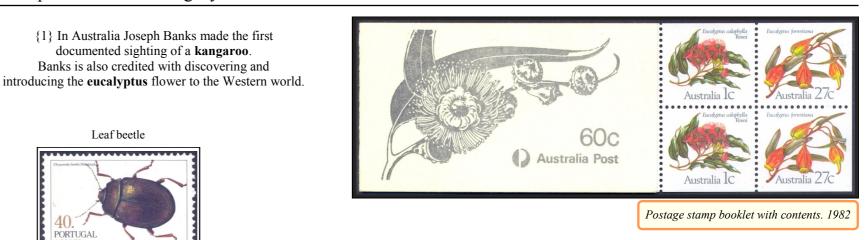
Leaf beetle

Chrysomela banksi

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documented sighting of a kangaroo. Banks is also credited with discovering and



{2} Several species have been named in honour of Banks.

Buff-bellied Monarch



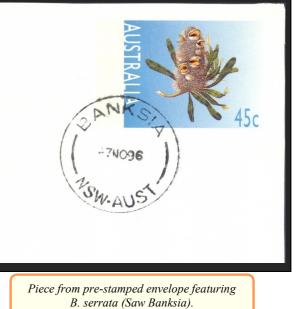
Red Silky Oak



Grevillea banksii

On Ber Majesty's Service. **REGISTERED LETTER.** The Cashier, Department of Public Instruction, SYDNEY. Public School Savings Bank Returns, Bautohum Public School, Ole Duly 189 Postal stationery, registration envelope. Public School Savings Bank Returns to Sydney 31st July 1894. Tied by numeral cancel "380", Bankstown Postage 5d = 2d inland letter rate + 3d registration fee. 3600 envelopes issued September 21, 1892.

{5} .and **Banksia** is located in southern Sydney 12 km from the city centre. A post office opened in August 1924.



{6} After the voyage Banks became a celebrity and an influential man in British society. In 1778 he was elected President of Royal Society ...



 $\{7\}$  and he was also involved in Developing the Kew Gardens (Botanical Gardens) in London.





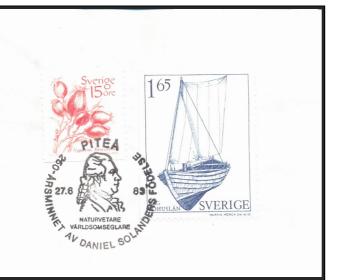
# Daniel Solander, a pupil of Carl Linnaeus in Uppsala, accompanied Banks on the voyage

{1} The Swedish botanist Daniel Solander (1733-82) accompanied Joseph Banks on the voyage and helped collecting and cataloguing plants and animals found.

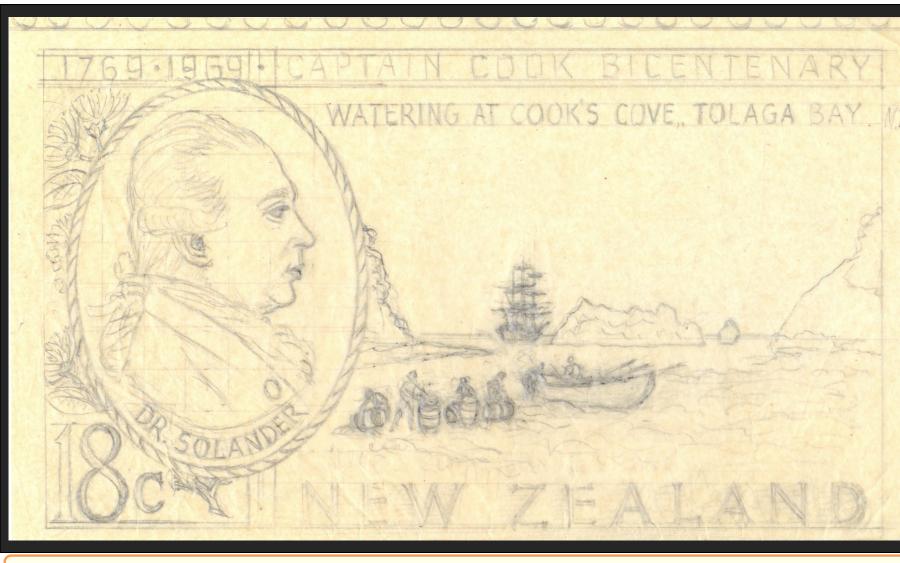


Features portrait medallion "Dr. Daniel Solander" by John Flaxman for J. Wedgwood & Sons, UK and rhabdothamnus solandri (named after Solander) {2} Daniel Solander was born in **Piteå** in northern Sweden on 19 February 1733..

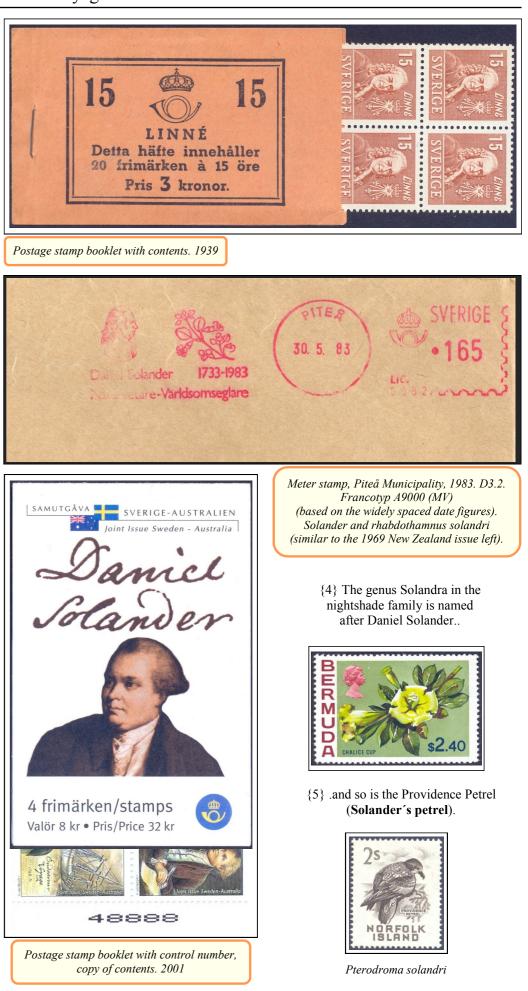
{3} .and in Uppsala he was a pupil of the Swedish botanist Carl Linnaeus (1707-78).







Unadopted essay, original preliminary pencil drawing on tracing paper by James Berry. Depicts portrait of Daniel Solander and a watering party at Cook's Cove, New Zealand. 1969 New Zealand Cook Bicentenary issue. Issued stamp is displayed above, left.





The astronomer Green and the voyage artist Sydney Parkinson







"A Boat-House, in which the Natives of Raiatea preserve their Canoes of State from the Weather" engraving by Newton after Parkinson



"The Head of a Chief of New Zealand, the face curiously tattaowd, or mark'd according to their Manner" engraving by T.Chambers after Parkinson







Paquebot Aska balov Adresso Plangmand Vejgnard Nalbarg

DFDS ocean letter, folded message form type 4. Sent from S/S Polonia dated 16 November 1929 and received onboard S/S Aalborghus. The printed message form was then forwarded by regular mail, tied by boxed Paquebot marking and Aalborg cds 19.11.1929. Postage 15 øre = domestic letter rate from 1 Jul 1927 to 30 June 1940. Reverse advertising showing DFDS routes around the world. Ex Otto Kjærgaard



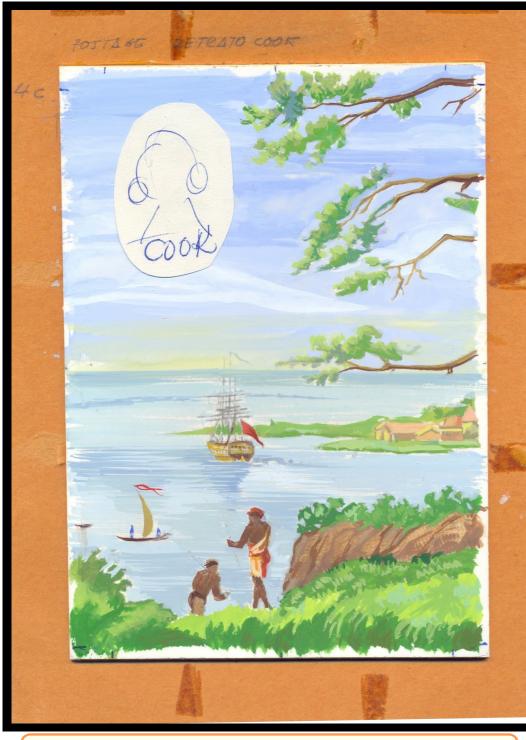
{7} .and after having rounded Cape Horn the tropical island of Tahiti was reached.



Preparing for Venus at Point Venus

- {1} Having arrived at Tahiti Cook dropped anchor in the sheltered Matavai Bay on the north coast.
   It was a perfect spot from which to observe the Venus Transit..
- {2} .and Cook named the northern point of the bay Point Venus and erected a small observatory fortification, Fort Venus.





Final artwork, watercolour on cardboard with overlay (not displayed). Unsigned, probably unique. Adapted from Parkinson's painting (right): "**Matavai Bay** Tahiti from One Tree Hill, showing the ENDEAVOUR at anchor, and **Fort Venus**". Cook Islands 1968. Ex Fournier archive







.as issued

{3} Within the Fort Venus Cook used a portable observatory with a pendulum clock to time the transit.





Venus de Milo

{4} Everything was now ready for the rendezvous with Venus at Point Venus.



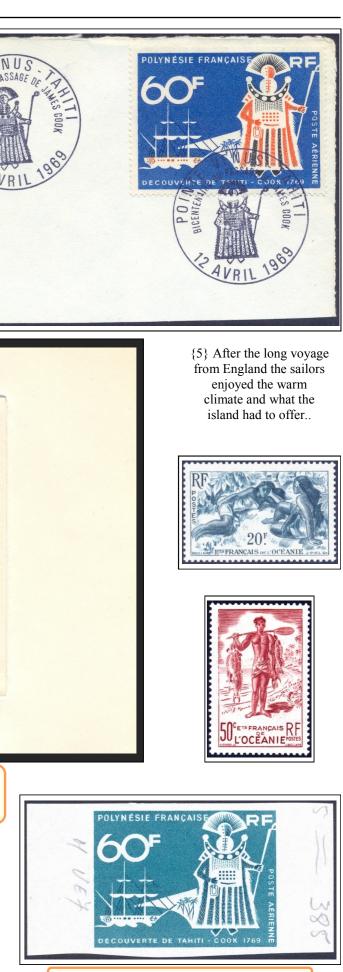
Sepia inspection die proof. Prepared from the unhardened die before final acceptance. 3-5 ex printed, 3 copies went to the postal authorities and only 1 or 2 appeared on the philatelic market.



{6} .and awaiting the Venus Transit ethnographic artefacts such as tattooing instruments and a full mourners dress were collected.

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Hatchet and **tattooing instruments**. Engraving from Hawkesworth's account of Cook's First Voyage (1773)



Trial colour plate proof with colour codes in pencil

Point Venus



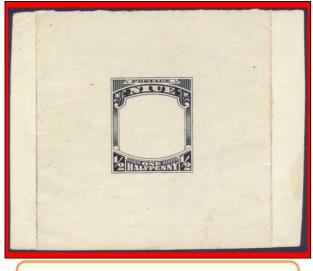
Die proof on wowe paper with visible guide register lines. Endorsed in pencil: "Niue", "½" and "lighter?"

{1} Cook anchored off **Point Venus** in preparation for the Transit of Venus.

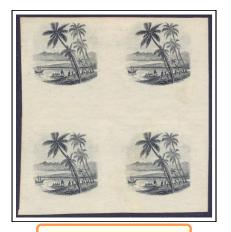
*{2} In 1919 it was decided to issue* a set of stamps for the New Zealand Island Dependencies with similar design for each of the islands of Rarotonga, Aitutaki, Niue and Penrhyn Island. The set was printed by Perkins, Bacon & Co in London and issued in 1920.

*{4} The complete Niue die proofs were* printed in issued colours..

> *{5} .and the frame die proofs* in black only.



Sunken frame die proof in black, on thick wove paper. Rare, only two recorded examples. Ex Lady Mairi Bury and Sir Gawaine Baillie



Centre vignette plate proof

*{6} The plate consisted of* 60 impressions in 6 rows of 10 (right) ...

*{7} .and centre vignette plate proofs* were run off in black only (left).



*{8} Stamp as issued* 

*{*3*} The design for the <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>d value was probably intended to depict Cook's landing on any of the* islands named after him (pp. 106-108) but he actually never landed on any of the islands. The design was adapted from a photograph of **Point Venus**, the artist added the men, boats and mountains in the background.

