

On 24 December 1951, Libya emerged from its former colonial status to become an independent constitutional monarchy. On 1 September 1969, a military junta led by Muammar Qadhafi deposed the monarchy in a bloodless coup.

The first stamps commemorating Libyan Boy Scouts were issued in 1962. Although a cachet was prepared with the 1962 Scout stamps for Girl Guides' Day for the Third Philia event, it was not until 1966 that a set of stamps recognized a Scouting event for girls. In 1980, girls were first shown on Libyan Scout stamps.

With the 1982 set, Libyan Scout stamps took on a clearly political character by showing Muammar Qadhafi in a Scout uniform and putting in the hands of Scouts The Green Book, his political testament promoting a socialist, utopian society in which all Arabs are united. This pan-Arab union was to be ruled by Islamic fundamentalistic law.

This political character of the Scout stamps continued with the 1983 set showing The Green Book and the 1984 set showing Qadhafi's image imposed on a map of Africa. The Green Book was also shown in the selvage on the 1983 Children's Day stamps.

Because of Libyan support for international terrorist groups, the United States imposed an embargo on the importation of Libyan goods, including postage stamps, on 7 January 1986.



This set of stamps was issued on 13 July 1962 for the Third Libyan Scout Camp (Philia) for Mediterranean Boy Scout, 13-20 July 1962. The stamps were designed by Tarak Sedghy, Abdul Muttalub, and Omran Salah and printed in photogravure by Helio Courvoisier.









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## Third Philia Issue









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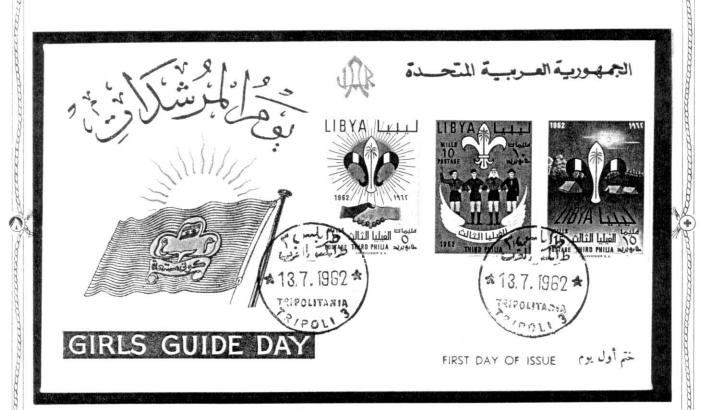


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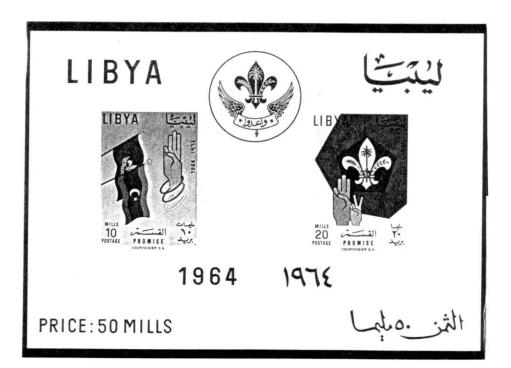
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This set was released on 24 July 1964 to mark the opening of the new Boy Scout Headquarters and the installation of Crown Prince Hassan al-Rida el Senussi as Chief Scout. The stamps were designed by Ismail Shammut and printed in photogravure by Helio Courvoisier.





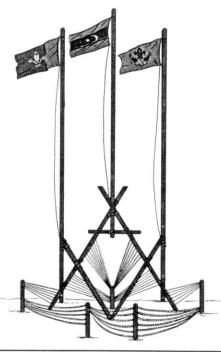




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BOY SCOUTS OF LIBYA

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This set of stamps was issued on 12 August 1966 to mark the first Arab Girl Scout Camp and the seventh Pan-Arab Scout Jamboree, Good Daim, Libya. The stamps were lithographed by Joseph Enschede and Sons.







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1st. Arab Girl Scout Camp 7th. Pan-Arab Scout Jamboree Issued 12 August 1966





This lithographed set of stamps was issued on 1 February 1974 to mark the twentieth anniversary of the Libyan Boy Scouts. The design - a Boy Scout on a tower, the rising sun, and the Cub and Boy Scout signs - is based on material supplied by the Scout Association of Libya. Only 100 sets of the imperforate stamps are known.















This lithographed set of stamps designed by M. Sialah was issued on 22 August 1980 for the 8th. Pan-Arab Girl Guide Jamboree and the 14th. Pan-Arab Boy Scout Jamboree. These are the first Libyan stamps to show Girl Guides.















This set of stamps showing Scouts in a variety of activities was issued on 2 March 1982 for the 75th. anniversary of Scouting. Each of the souvenir sheets projects a heavily political message by depicting Muammar Al Qadhafi and The Green Book, his political testament.

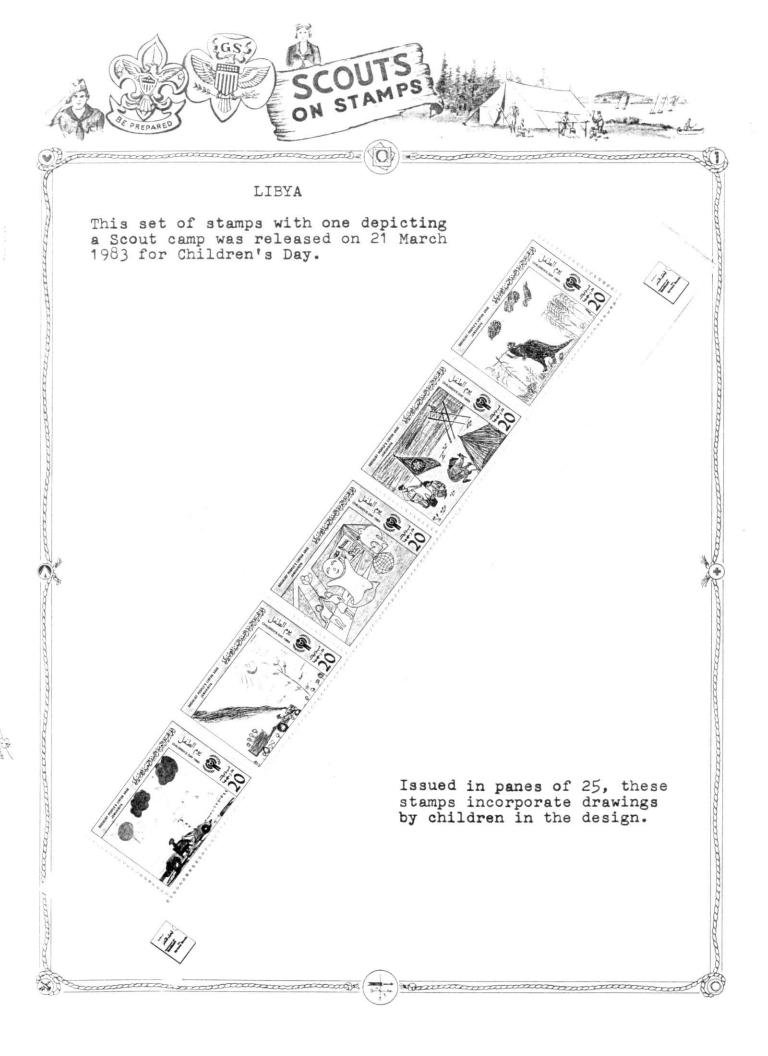






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This set of stamps was issued to mark the 2nd. Islamic Scout Jamboree and the 15th. Pan-Arab Scout Jamboree. The emblem of the International Scout movement appears in the selvage of the stamp panes. The design of the souvenir sheet incorporates the international and Libyan Scout emblems and The Green Book, the political testament of Qadhafi.









This lithographed set of three stamps was released on 15 January 1984 to mark African Children's Day. The stamp at the left depicts Muammar Al Qadhafi, the chief of state, with three Girl Scouts. The stamps were issued in panes of fifteen stamps.

