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Postal Service Celebrates National Park Service Centennial with Stamps, Framed Art and Keepsakes

Decorate your wall with some of America's best scenery

WASHINGTON — To mark the National Park Service's 100th anniversary and salute the organization for its unwavering dedication to preserving America's natural splendor, the U. S. Postal Service announces new artwork that incorporates the National Parks postage stamps released earlier this year.

On June 2, the Postal Service issued a stunning stamp pane depicting [16 National Parks](#) spanning the nation from Maine to Hawaii. The stamps are available at this [link](#). To continue the celebration, an assortment of National Park Service stamps, collectable artwork and related products are now available and can be accessed through the links below the images shown here, or by searching the [Postal Store on USPS.com](#).



[National Parks Framed Stamp Art](#)

This new 14.5-by-14.5-inch framed piece features a sheet of 16 National Parks Forever stamps mounted above an engraved plaque announcing the release details. Presented in a handsome black frame, the piece also includes a dust cover and sawtooth hanger on the back for easy display.



[Acadia National Park Framed Art and Fine Art Print](#)

Commemorate America's historic sites and breathtaking vistas with this new 18-by-24-inch framed art piece featuring Acadia National Park. The fine art print is 26 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches by 18 inches. The stamp image depicting the Bass Harbor Head Light was photographed by David Muench.

People have been drawn to the rugged coast of Maine throughout history. Awed by its beauty and diversity, early 20th century visionaries donated the land that became Acadia National Park. The park is home to many plants and animals, and the tallest mountain on the U.S. Atlantic coast. Today visitors come to Acadia to hike granite peaks, bike historic carriage roads, or relax and enjoy the scenery. For more information on Acadia, visit this [link](#).



[Assateague Island National Seashore Framed Art and Fine Art Print](#)

Commemorate America's historic sites and breathtaking vistas with this new 18-by-24-inch framed art piece featuring Assateague Island National Seashore. The fine art print is 26 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches by 18 inches. A photograph by Tim Fitzharris of Fayetteville, AR, was used to create the image.

This barrier island is a tale of constant movement and change. Explore sandy beaches, salt marshes, maritime forests and coastal bays. Bands of wild horses freely roam among plants and native animals that have adapted to a life of sand, salt and wind. Visit this [link](#) for more information about Assateague Island National Seashore.



[Carlsbad Caverns Park Framed Art and Fine Art Print](#)

Commemorate America's historic sites and breathtaking vistas with this new 18-by-24-inch framed art piece featuring Carlsbad Caverns National Park. The fine art print is 26¾ inches by 18 inches. The stamp image is a photograph by Richard McGuire of the interior of the caverns.

High ancient sea ledges, deep rocky canyons, flowering cacti and desert wildlife are all treasures above and below the Chihuahuan Desert ground. Carlsbad Cavern is one of more than 300 limestone caves in a fossil reef laid down by an inland sea 240 million to 280 million years ago. Visit this [link](#) for more information.



[Glacier Bay Park and Preserve Framed Art and Fine Art Print](#)

Commemorate America's historic sites and breathtaking vistas with this new 18-by-24-inch framed art piece featuring Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve. The fine art print is 26¾ inches by 18 inches. The stamp image is a photograph by Tom Bean of Flagstaff, AZ.

Covering 3.3 million acres of rugged mountains, dynamic glaciers, temperate forests, wild coastlines and deep sheltered fjords, Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve is a highlight of Alaska's Inside Passage and part of a 25-million acre World Heritage Site — one of the world's largest international protected areas. From sea to summit, Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve offers limitless opportunities for adventure and inspiration. Visit this [link](#) for more information.



[Haleakala National Park Framed Art and Fine Art Print](#)

Commemorate America's historic sites and breathtaking vistas with this new 18-by-24-inch framed art piece featuring Haleakala National Park. The fine art print is 26¾ inches by 18 inches. The photograph featured is the work of Kevin Ebi, of the Seattle, WA area.

Haleakalā National Park vibrates with stories of ancient and modern Hawaiian culture and protects the bond between the land and its people. The park also cares for endangered species, some of which exist nowhere else. Come visit this special place — renew your spirit amid stark volcanic landscapes and sub-tropical rain forest with an unforgettable hike through the backcountry. Visit this [link](#) for more information.



[Mount Rainier National Park Framed Art and Fine Art Print](#)

Commemorate America's historic sites and breathtaking vistas with this new 18-by-24-inch framed art piece featuring Mount Rainier National Park. The fine art print is 26¾ inches by 18 inches. The stamp image is the creation of Matt Dieterich of Pittsburgh, PA.

Ascending to 14,410 feet above sea level, Mount Rainier stands as an icon in the Washington landscape. An active volcano, Mount Rainier is the most glaciated peak in the contiguous United States, spawning six major rivers. Subalpine wildflower meadows ring the icy volcano while ancient forest cloaks Mount Rainier's lower slopes. Wildlife abounds in the park's ecosystems. A lifetime of discovery awaits. Visit this [link](#) for more information about the park.

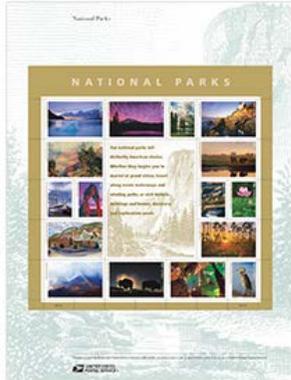


[The Grandest Things Book](#)

"The Grandest Things: Our National Parks in Words, Images, and Stamps" book explores how our national park system began, the changes it has endured and the astounding array of sites it includes — all through breathtaking images and historic stamps.

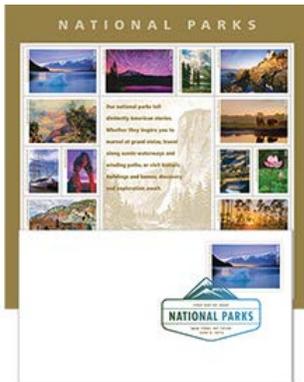
The book includes:

- A history of America's national parks, illustrated by stamps and other fascinating memorabilia.
- A visual tour of over 75 parks, monuments, memorials and more.
- A special collecting section complete with stamp placeholders and background information.
- Nine mint stamps with mounts —including the 1972 Old Faithful, Yellowstone stamp



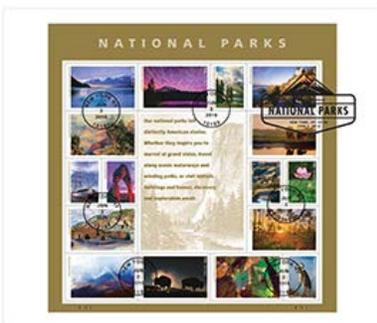
[National Parks Commemorative Panel](#)

Commemorate America's historic sites and breathtaking vistas with this new two-page National Parks American Commemorative Panel set. One of the two 8-by-11-inch pages features a narrative about the stamp designs and the national park system. Also included, printed using the intaglio technique, are three images of animals representing wildlife found in our national parks.



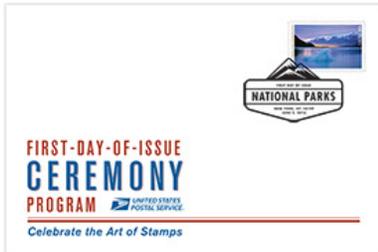
[National Parks Digital Color Postmark Keepsake Set](#)

Commemorate America's historic sites and breathtaking vistas with this keepsake combination: one pane of National Parks Forever stamps and a select digital color postmark first day cover. The pane includes 16 different stamps, each showcasing a treasured aspect of a national park — from a ship at San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park in California to the wild horses of Assateague Island National Seashore in Maryland and Virginia.



[National Parks First Day Cover Full Sheet](#)

Commemorate America's historic sites and breathtaking vistas with this new 9.5-by-8-inch first day cover bearing an affixed pane of National Parks Forever stamps cancelled with official First Day of Issue postmarks. Six bull's-eye postmarks and one black pictorial cancellation are applied to strike all 16 stamps.



National Parks Ceremony Program

Commemorate America's historic sites and breathtaking vistas, as well as the release of the National Parks Forever stamp, with this new official ceremony program and cover. The full-color program features the First-Day-of-Issue ceremony dedication ceremony agenda and participants on one side, with a narrative about the stamp design on the reverse.



National Parks First Day Cover

Commemorate America's historic sites and breathtaking vistas with this new set of 16 National Parks stamp covers. Each No. 6 envelope bears one affixed National Parks Forever stamp canceled with an official dedication ceremony postmark.



National Parks Digital Color Postmark

Commemorate America's historic sites and breathtaking vistas with this new set of 16 National Parks Digital Color Postmark stamp covers. Each No. 6 envelope bears one National Parks Forever stamp cancelled with an official dedication ceremony color postmark.



[National Parks Press Sheet With Die-Cuts](#)

Commemorate America's historic sites and breathtaking vistas with this new 21.75-by-21.75-inch press sheet with die cuts, containing nine panes of National Parks Forever stamps positioned three across by three down.

The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

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