

THE FUN

#5 GET EXCITED

Like what you collect and collect what you like! Once you learn how to collect, your stamp collection should express your own unique personality. You can collect stamps from all over the world or from just one country. You can collect stamps with weird shapes, cool stamps, old stamps, animal stamps, or only stamps about history. Pick several topics.

You can combine stamps with other things in your album too, such as drawings and writing. Be creative, use your collection to tell a story, or illustrate a theme. Use patterned paper or colored borders to highlight your ideas on a subject.

Using loose-leaf pages lets you rearrange and replace parts of your collection whenever you want.

ALBUM IDEAS

Garden of Stamps, Gift Album

Have a friend or parent who is into gardening? Collect U.S. and worldwide flower stamps. Alternate pages of stamps with pages of gardening tips and facts about the flowers on the stamps. (Do some library research to find the gardening information.)

What a great gift for a gardener!

Space Trek

Into space and sci-fi? Collect all of the great space exploration and science stamps. Write a chilling sci-fi thriller story and put it into the center of your album. Or draw the space creatures of your imagination.

Trail of History

Are you a leader? Do you care about freedom and America? Collect a whole album of U.S. Presidents and other world leaders. Maybe your face will be on a stamp one day! (Mount a small mirror on your last page!)

You can create a stamp collection about almost anything. Let the stamps be your guide. You might follow them into birds, animals, holidays, trains and planes, flowers, flags, sports, entertainment, movies, baseball...the list goes on and on!