

“The Virginia Collection”

Denmark during 150 years, mint stamps 1851-2001

For this auction, we are very happy to have been entrusted a fantastic collection covering not only the classic and early issues in exceptional quality, but also the later years including numerous semi-modern and modern rarities. Highlighted by the “Inverted Frame” on the Provisional 4/8 øre, unique not only for being mint, but also for the variety from position 88 in the only sheet found with inverted frame!

This exceptional collection, full of rare stamps of the highest quality, was built during more than half a century by an American couple from California who went to work in Risø in Denmark 1958. There they spent almost one year as the husband was in charge of the initial start-up and testing of one of the nuclear reactors built on the site.

On a trip to Copenhagen in the same year, they were visiting a stamp dealer, Mr. Einar Krause on Lille Kannikerstræde 4, who started them up collecting Denmark. They continued to visit him regularly to acquire more stamps. They also used the opportunity to visit other European countries including The World’s Fair in Brussels that year.

After returning to the United States they continued to add high quality items from the same Danish dealer as well as from various sources in the US, including the legendary New York dealer Ezra Cole, overall during 65 years!

We thank the family for the confidence choosing us as auctioneer.

All items as well as the big and extremely interesting remainder collection are marked “Ex. Virginia” at the end of the description.

Wishing you all happy hunting!