

## ITALY

### RICOSTRUZIONE

From 1947, the European Recovery Program ("Marshall Plan") gave massive grants of finance and equipment to Western Europe. Italy was a major beneficiary. Italy also encouraged Italians living abroad to help with the rebuilding of the mother country through the Fondo per la Ricostruzione. The following stamps were produced in 1947 by the Italian government, for distribution through Italian embassies, consulates and chambers of trade in countries where Italian emigrés formed important communities. The stamps were probably obligatory on consular documents. All the stamps bear the same image; only the currency changed from country to country.

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#### ARGENTINA



1947. Currency : Pesos.
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|----------------------------------|-------|
| 1. 2P purple-brown & black ..... | 7.50  |
| 2. 5P blue & black .....         | 7.50  |
| 3. 10P green & black .....       | 15.00 |
| 4. 50P blue & black .....        | 35.00 |
| 5. 100P carmine & black .....    | 50.00 |

#### BRAZIL

1947. Currency : Cruzeiro.
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|------------------------------------|-------|
| 10. 10c purple-brown & black ..... | 15.00 |
| 11. 50c green & black .....        | 35.00 |
| 12. 100c blue & black .....        | 50.00 |

#### CHILE

- 1947/ Currency : Peso
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|-------------------------------|-------|
| 20. 10P carmine & black ..... | 20.00 |
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#### EGYPT



1947. Currency : Piastres/Egyptian Pounds.
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|------------------------------------|-------|
| 30. 50p purple-brown & black ..... | 50.00 |
| 31. 1E£ blue & black .....         | 50.00 |
- The piastre value can be distinguished from that of Turkey by the stamp colour.

#### FRANCE

1947. Currency : French Francs.
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|------------------------------------|-------|
| 40. 10F purple-brown & black ..... | 10.00 |
| 41. 50F green & black .....        | 35.00 |
| 42. 100F blue & black .....        | 50.00 |

#### GREAT BRITAIN

1947. Currency : Shillings
- |                                    |       |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| 50. 1/- purple-brown & black ..... | 10.00 |
| 51. 2/- green & black .....        | 20.00 |

#### LUXEMBOURG

1947. Currency : Luxembourg Franc.
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|-----------------------------------|-------|
| 60. 1F purple-brown & black ..... | 20.00 |
| 61. 2F green & black .....        | 25.00 |

#### SWEDEN

1947. Currency : Swedish Crown
- |                             |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| 70. 1K violet & black ..... | 20.00 |
| 71. 1K green & black .....  | 25.00 |
| 72. 5L green & black .....  | 35.00 |
| 73. 10K blue & black .....  | 50.00 |

#### SWITZERLAND

1947. Currency : Swiss Francs.
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|------------------------------------|-------|
| 80. 1F purple-brown & black .....  | 10.00 |
| 81. 10F purple-brown & black ..... | 20.00 |

#### TURKEY



1947. Currency Piastres / Turkish Pound
- |                                       |       |
|---------------------------------------|-------|
| 90. 10p purple-brown & black .....    | 25.00 |
| 91. 50p green & black .....           | 35.00 |
| 92. 0,50T£ purple-brown & black ..... | 50.00 |
- The 50 piastre value can be distinguished from that of Egypt by the stamp colour.

#### U.S.A.

1947. Currency : US Dollars.
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| 100. 0,50\$ purple-brown & black ..... | 20.00 |
| 101. 1\$ green & black .....           | 20.00 |