

One Man's Journey into the unknown (Two volumes)

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One Man's Journey into the unknown – Volume 1 (Tughra stamps)

This book collates an extensive research of the first stamps of the Ottoman Empire in a logical and scientific manner. The book is 144 pages, well illustrated with over 380 colour pictures and hand drawn sketches to demonstrate the points discussed. It summarises the early discoveries and introduces new discoveries by the author such as setting of the block reports of the first printing, printing, colouring and character types of proofs, a new variety of the first printing. All the evidence is clearly displayed with sketches and photos. Additionally there is a comprehensive section on how to recognise forgeries, with clear pictures, details and sketches.

The book measures 22cm x 28cm, and is printed on acid free matt paper.

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One Man's Journey into the unknown – Volume 2 (Cover Story)

The second volume collates an extensive research of the first stamps of the Ottoman used on covers. Over 950 covers have been studied and there are over 300 covers/folded entires described and pictured. The book is 208 pages, well illustrated with over 550 colour and hand drawn sketches to demonstrate the descriptions. New theories about the number of covers with first printing stamps that survived to-date as well as others are open to be challenged. Additionally, the author introduces unrecorded cancellations which were used during the Tughra period.

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Both volumes come with a dust cover. Each book is individually numbered, bound in hardback and hand stitched. There is a 10% discount available for purchasing both volumes.

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