

World of Owls of the Solomon Islands

Part of the *Fauna of the World* issues released 05 August 2014. Each souvenir sheet was printed on octagonal paper, and the stamps themselves were printed and perforated in hexagonal shapes. The \$7.00 franking would pay the 20g or less postage to European Countries. These rates were in effect until Postal Reforms were established in 2016.



Owls featured on the above stamps:

Asio otus (Long-eared Owl) - Found throughout North America

Pulsatrix perspicillata (Speckled Owl) - Found in Central America and in the northern half of South America

Otus scops (Eurasian Scops Owl) – Range is most of Europe and Asia, winters south of the Sahara in central Africa

Aegolius funereus (known as **Tengmalm's Owl** in Europe and **Boreal Owl** in North America) – Ranges from Alaska to eastern Canada, found in Europe, mostly in Scandinavia. The owl is depicted in flight

Other Owls featured on the souvenir sheet selva are:

Aegolius funereus – Another view from individual stamp: posed perching

Strix aluco (sub-species of Owl known as **Tawney Owls**) - There are 11 known species of Tawney Owl. Found throughout Europe, Asia, Middle East, and parts of Africa.