

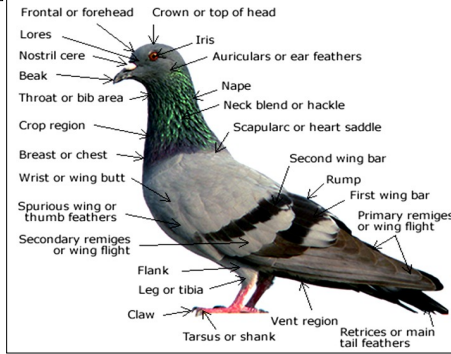
# "THE DOVE OR THE PIGEON"

Kingdom:	Animalia
Phylum:	Chordata
Class:	Aves
Order:	Columbiformes
Family:	Columbidae
Genus:	<i>Columba</i>
Species:	<i>C. livia</i>
Subspecies:	<i>C. l. domestica</i>

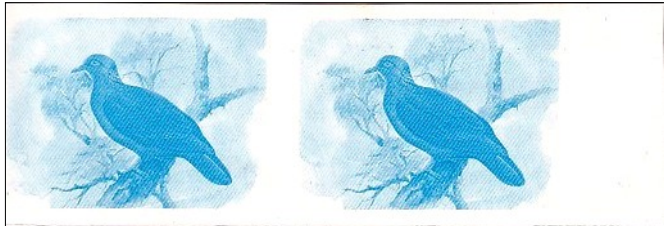
The domestic pigeon (*Columba livia domestica*) is a pigeon subspecies that was derived from the rock dove (also called the rock pigeon). Biological classification of a Pigeon is as per table

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ROCK PIGEON  
With Imperf  
Marginal Proof  
Issued on  
20.04.1981  
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1983 Sri Lanka  
Wood Pigeon  
Imperf Color  
Trials



Pigeons have served key roles as food, pets, holy animals, post carriers, and more for thousands of years. The earliest record mention of pigeons comes from Mesopotamia some 5,000 years ago.

1975. Claret Breasted Fruit Dove  
Ovpt Bar hiding word "British"

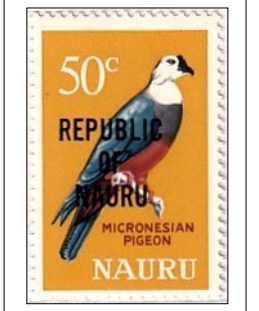


1967. Pacific Imperial Pigeon



1966. Definitive  
Micronesian Imperial Pigeon  
Ovpt Issued in 1968

2002. WWF Christmas Imperial Pigeon  
A se-tenant Block



There are two loose ancestral clades of pigeons. The first ancestral clade contains pigeons with exaggerated crops, tails, manes; the second contains tumblers (the most diverse group), homing pigeons, owl pigeons, and those with exaggerated wattles.

1987. Madera. Portugal  
Trocaz Pigeon  
Stamps Booklet

Useful Website:  
<https://www.allaboutbirds.org/guide/browse/taxonomy/Columbidae>

