# United States Album Pages 

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## ISSUES OF I86I-I869

This set of album pages provides spaces for the issue of I86I-I 869.
THE UNGRILLED ISSUES OF I86I-I 866: Pages 2 and 3 are the same except for the inclusion of the I85I IO $\$$ deep yellow green type I. Some collectors regard this stamp as an essay inadvertently sold over post office counters, while others regard it as a real stamp. Use one or the other in conjunction with the third page, which covers the shades and designs issued between I862 and I866.

If you want less detailed coverage of the shades of the ungrilled issue, use page 5 or 6 . Either of these pages limit the shades to those which catalog roughly $\$ 1,000$ or less. Page 5 does not have the IO $\$$ deep yellow green type I, while page 6 does. Then use the individual denomination colors pages for all the colors.

Finally, if you want to show just the face-different stamps, use page 7 .
THE GRILLED ISSUES OF I867-I869: Page 8 is an "impossible" page. I've provided spaces for every different grill on all denominations. Where 8 or fewer are known, I've noted this in the spaces. Page 9 covers the same stamps as page 8 , but with the "impossibles" omitted. Use either page 8 or page 9 with page IO, which has spaces for the E and F grills.

Or, if you just want to show the face-different stamps bearing grills, use page II.
"SET" PAGES: One popular specialty is to collect the face-different stamps bearing San Francisco "cogwheel" cancels. Another is to assemble the set bearing obvious revenue cancels, either with manuscript cancels (must bear name or initials plus full date including year) and/or revenue handstamp cancels. I've included pages for both options, pages I 2 and I 3 respectively. Page I4 is a "set" page without a header.

THE FIRST I86I PRINTING: This is a difficult and expensive page to fill but is wonderfully eerie when complete. The catalogs are hugely inconsistent in their categorizing and coverage, but all the I86I denominations first appeared in distinctive shades on thin, soft paper.

I designed these album pages to accommodate bottom-sealed mounts; thus, the sizes are more spacious than what one usually finds. Obviously, you will want to adjust your Adobe Acrobat Reader so that it prints the pages full size. To check calibration of your Adobe Acrobat Reader and printer, the line at the bottom of this page is exactly IOO millimeters long. These pages are $81 / 2 \times$ I I inches. I do not intend to produce free album pages in European or other sizes.

These pages are designed to slip into page protectors, but I provided enough room at the left if you want to punch them for a standard three-ring binder. I encourage you to print these out on card stock, if your printer can handle it. One example is Wausau Papers Bright White Acid-Free 65 pound Card Stock, which is available at most national chain office supply stores and is quite inexpensive.

WHY FREE ALBUM PAGES? I have two reasons for making these pages available for free:
I) I hope you will peruse my listings for stamps to inhabit the spaces. So I've included my domain name at the foot of every page in unobtrusively tiny type.
2) I will typeset album pages to your specifications in this identical format. I charge $\$ 25.00$ per hour with a minimum charge of $\$ 15.00$ per order. It takes me between I 5 minutes and an hour to do a page, less if I have a batch of pages to do all at once. For examples, it took me about I 5 minutes to lay out the I 847 page and 30 minutes to lay out the I 894 regular issue page. Pages for covers take IO to 30 minutes, depending on how many covers you want on the page and the amount of verbiage below the covers.
exactly 100 millimeters ( 10 centimeters)

National Bank Note Company
Engraved
Unwatermarked
Perforated 12 - without grills

UNITED STATES

I86I


pink

rose pink



pale gray violet on thin paper




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UNITED STATES

I86I


pink

rose pink



pale gray violet on thin paper


National Bank Note Company
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UNITED STATES
I86I-I868

I 862


I 863

blackish violet

1866


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## I86I-I 866



90థ
blue
Washington


red lilac

brown lilac

steel blue

lilac


90ゅ
blue Washington

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Perforated 12

UNITED STATES
I86I-I 869

I86I-I867 — WITHOUT GRILLS


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Perforated 12 - embossed with grills

UNITED STATES
I867-I869

1867 - A GRILL


I 867 — B GRILL


I867-C GRILL


I868-D GRILL


I868-Z GRILL


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I867 - A GRILL


1867 - C GRILL


I868-D GRILL


I868-Z GRILL


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UNITED STATES
I867-I869

1868 - E GRILL


1868-1869 — F GRILL


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UNITED STATES
I86I-I869

I 867-I 869 - EMBOSSED WITH GRILLS


I86I-I868 - CANCELLED WITH SAN FRANCISCO "COGWHEEL"


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UNITED STATES
I86I-I868

1861-1868 - USED AS REVENUE STAMPS


1861 - FIRST PRINTINGS ON THIN, SOFT PAPER


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Unwatermarked
Perforated 12

