CABO GRACIAS A DIOS CÂBO

"CABO GRACIAS A DIOS" is a cape and seaport town in the extreme northeast of Nicaragua. It got it's name by Spanish explorers who had great difficulty finding a landing place along the Atlantic coast of what today is Nicaragua. When they eventually located this natural harbor they expressed their relief by giving this cape the name "Cape Thanks to God".

This department, as well as that of "Zelaya" became later mining areas and the richest parts of Nicaragua. Their currency was the "silver - peso" as opposed to the "paper - peso" of the rest of the country, which was of lesser value. As it became the custom to buy stamps at a postoffice in the "paper - peso" districts and use them at home, the Government lost money and in 1904 an order was made that the postmasters in these "silver - peso" provinces were to mark or identify all the stamp stocks on hand. This limited their validity to the department for which they were marked.

Many of the so-called "CABO" - stamps are very scarce and specially hard to find on cover. The catalogue notations are in my opinion not complete and many of the valuations just ridiculous low.

1904 - 1905

Regular issue of 1900 handstamped diagonally in VIOLET: CABO

















1904 - 1905

Regular issue of 1900 handstamped diagonally in VIOLET: CABO



















1904 - 1905

Lithographed stamps of 1902 handstamped diagonally in VIOLET: CABO





N I C A R A G U A 1904 - 1905 Lithographed stamps of 1902 handstamped diagonally in VIOLET: CABO



Mint part - sheet of 35 stamps

1904 - 1905

Lithographed stamps of 1902 handstamped diagonally in VIOLET: CABO















Imperforate

1904 - 1905

Lithographed stamps of 1902 handstamped diagonally in VIOLET: CABO





1904

Surcharged stamps of same year handstamped diagonally in VIOLET: CABO











1904

Surcharged stamps of same year handstamped diagonally in BLACK: CABO







Transit Postmarks

1904

Surcharged stamp of same year handstamped in VIOLET:

CABO



1904 - 1905

Regular issue of 1900 handstamped diagonally in VIOLET: CABO















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1904 - 1905

Regular issue of 1900 handstamped diagonally in VIOLET: CABO





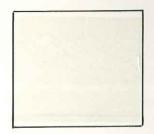












1904 - 1905

Overprinted Postage Due stamps of 1901 handstamped diagonally in VIOLET: CABO













1904 - 1905

Overprinted Postage Due stamps of 1901 handstamped diagonally in VIOLET: CABO











1904 - 1905

Overprinted Postage Due stamps of 1901 handstamped diagonally in VIOLET:





Right stamp WITHOUT handstamp





1904 - 1905

Overprinted Postage Due stamps of 1901 handstamped diagonally in VIOLET:









1904 - 1905

Overprinted Postage Due stamps of 1901 handstamped diagonally in BLACK: $${\rm CABO}$$







1904 - 1905

Regular issue of 1900 handstamped in VIOLET: Cabo



















1904 - 1905

Regular issue of 1900 handstamped in VIOLET: C a b o

USED block of 4



1904 - 1905

Regular stamps of 1900 handstamped in VIOLET: C a b o







DOUBLE handstamp





Nicaragua

1904 - 1905

Regular stamps of 1900 handstamped in VIOLET: C a b o

















DOUBLE

handstamp

INVERTED handstamp

1904 - 1905

Lithographed stamps of 1902 handstamped in VIOLET: $$\tt C$ a b o













Right stamp DOUBLE handstamp

1904 - 1905

Lithographed stamps of 1902 handstamped in VIOLET: C a b o









Right stamp with DOUBLE handstamp, one INVERTED



Upper stamp with DOUBLE handstamp

1904 - 1905

Surcharged stamp of 1904 handstamped in VIOLET: C a b o





1904 - 1905

Overprinted Postage Due stamps of 1901 handstamped in VIOLET: C a b o







DOUBLE handstamp

1905





















Different positions

1905



























Different positions

1905

























1905

Regular issue handstamped in VIOLET: C A B O

Variety: MAGENTA handstamp





















Variety: INVERTED handstamp

1905























1905





DOUBLE handstamp



DOUBLE handstamp CABO + "B"- Dpto. Zelaya both INVERTED



Pair, one WITHOUT handstamp

RARE pieces

1905



INVERTED handstamp







1905



1905

Regular issue handstamped in BLACK: C A B O



These stamps are recognised by YVERT, but the SCOTT catalogue states that the above handstamp in B L A C K is "bogus". This is not true, as covers on the following pages will prove that these stamps have also done postal duty:

1905

Regular issue handstamped in BLACK: C A B O



























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1905

Regular stamps handstamped in VIOLET or BLACK: C A B O

NOT AUTHORISED OR UNISSUED



























1905

Stamps overprinted to fill dealer's orders, unauthorised or unissued and "bogus"









































1905 - 1906

Surcharged stamps of 1904 handstamped in VIOLET: C A B 0











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1905 - 1906

Regular stamps of 1900 + 1901 handstamped in VIOLET: C Å B 0









DOUBLE handstamp







1905 - 1906

Overprinted Postage Due stamps of 1901 handstamped in VIOLET: C A B O







Surcharged stamps of 1906 - 1908 handstamped in VIOLET: $_{\rm C}$ ${\rm \widehat{A}}$ B O





Surcharge reading UP





Surcharge reading DOWN



DOUBLE handstamp

Surcharged stamps of 1906 - 1908 handstamped in VIOLET: C A B 0







BLACK handstamp

Surcharged stamps of 1906 - 1908 handstamped in VIOLET: C A B O







DOUBLE handstamp

1907

Regular stamps of same year, printed by Waterlow & Sons Ltd. handstamped in VIOLET:

САВО





Pair, one handstamp INVERTED

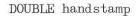














DOUBLE handstamp

Provisional stamp of 1908
handstamped in VIOLET to MAGENTA: C A B 0

















1907

Stamps from Waterlow's "FILE COPY" sheet













1907 as before













1907

Stamps of 1905 - 1907 "COSTA overprinted in BLACK or VIOLET: ATLANTICA"

C.













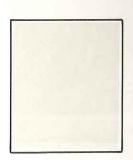












1907

Stamps of 1905 - 1907 overprinted in BLACK or VIOLET: "COSTA ATLANTICA" C.

























1907

Stamps of 1905 - 1907 Overprinted in BLACK or VIOLET:

"COSTA
ATLANTICA"
C.





















1907

Stamps of 1905 - 1907 Overprinted in BLACK or VIOLET:

"COSTA ATLANTICA" C.







VARIETIES

1907

Stamps of 1905 - 1907 overprinted in BLACK or VIOLET:

"COSTA ATLANTICA" С.













With additional handstamp





Overprint on stamps printed by AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO.





1909

Regular stamps of same year overprinted in BLACK:

Dpto. Zelaya

Same setting as for the "B" overprint, "o" of "Dpto." only once in a complete setting being overprinted sideways.

(Position 14 in a setting of 25 stamps)













1909

as before

Regular stamps of same year overprinted in BLACK:



"o" sideways





DOUBLE overprint "B" + "C"

1909

Regular stamps of same year overprinted in BLACK:



as before

1909 - Regular stamps of same year overprinted in BLACK:















"o" in "Dpto." sideways

as before

1909

Original setting of 25 stamps

Regular stamps of same year overprinted in BLACK:



as before

1909

Regular stamps of same year overprinted in BLACK:











"o" in "Dpto." sideways

as before

1909

Regular stamps of same year overprinted in BLACK:

















"o" in "Dpto." sideways

"o" in "Dpto." sideways

$\underline{\text{N I C A R A G U A}}$

1909

as before

Regular stamps of same year overprinted in BLACK:



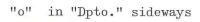














"o" in "Dpto." sideways