

NEW ZEALAND POSTAGE STAMPS ERRORS AND VARIETIES

NEW ZEALAND 1973 HEALTH PRINCE EDWARD PLATING

Illustrating a plating exercise for the 1973 Health Stamps.

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INTRODUCTION

The 1973 Health stamps featured a portrait of HRH Prince Edward, at that time, the last remaining of the Royal children to be featured on New Zealand's stamps. There were limited photographs approved by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and even fewer suitable for reduction to stamp size. Because of this, the two values for this year's Health stamp issue both featured the same central design set against contrasting backgrounds.

This makes for an interesting design opportunity. Harrison and Sons Ltd. made one plate for the central design of Prince Edward, that would be used on both values, brown for the 3c+1c and black for the 4c+1c. Two frame plates were made, one for each value, as this contained the variable information such as the stamp value. Green background used on the 3c+1c whilst red was used for the 4c+1c. Thus from a philatelic viewpoint, flaws and varieties occurring on the centre plate can therefore be found on each denomination. This applies to both the large sheets and miniature sheets.

In this research, the notes are organised by sheet position for the large sheets, the row/column number, with the varieties found on the centre plate, and both frame plates described in a group for that position. Likewise on the miniature sheets, varieties for the centre plate and frame plates are described for each individual miniature sheet number.

This form is not unique to NZ stamps (the 1946 Peace stamps as a good example), but for modern printing methods, it is rare enough to add interest.

And interests needs to be added, as from a philatelic viewpoint, there is little for the collector to get enthused about. This issue is a simple, well designed, modern issue, the lack of detail in catalogues of New Zealand stamps does not even mention the detail of some of the more significant varieties, but perhaps this underlines the lack of collecting interest. For once a collector has the plate and imprint blocks and singles for the 'general album' they will move on. Only the miniature sheets offer interest, and even that is limited.

In preparing this monograph, the author has found the exercise tedious. The plating exercise has been completed because it can be done, given the many fly speck varieties generated by the photogravure printing method. It has also been done by the author so that you do not have to. There is little to be gained by understanding the detail of the printing of these stamps. However the author has now 'ticked a box' in the list of Health issues plated successfully.

A single chalk surfaced, unwatermarked paper was used, but shades of white to cream may be found. There are no watermark varieties, and centring of colours and perforations appears generally good.

For the miniature sheets, it appears that there are five miniature sheets printed on a master sheet. This is an unusual number, and perhaps indicates the use of a composite plate alongside of the large sheet for that denomination, a scheme that Harrison and Son's Ltd. have used previously.

As with similar research done in this series, the author has described the fly speck varieties from bulk material, and therefore has a high expectation that what follows is basically correct. Where collectors have access to different material that changes the information written here, the author would like to hear from them, so that jointly, we can offer the most up to date information to other readers.

I hope you find this research useful.

Amend what is wrong and add what is new, for the benefit of collectors to come.

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1973, PRINCE EDWARD

The Stamps

From 1967 to 1972 the Health stamp issues focussed on children taking part in sporting activities. For this year, it was decided by the Post Office to change the theme and feature portraits of Prince Edward, the last of Queen Elizabeth's children to feature on a New Zealand stamp.

Harrison and Sons Ltd. were successful for the production of this issue, that required the firm to produce both graphic designs and print the stamps once approved.

There were a limited number of photographs available that were authorised by Queen Elizabeth, and few that could be successfully reduced to stamp size. For this reason, Harrison and Sons produced essays that featured the same image set against different background colours.

Once essays were approved by the Post Office, the printing of the large and miniature sheet stamps commenced. The 3c+1c had the central design in brown against a green frame, whilst the 4c+1c stamp had a black centre against a red frame. The portrait of Prince Edward, the year and words 'New Zealand' were constant on both denominations and the printer produced a single plate to print it. The frame plates that contained the stamp value were unique to the denomination. The centre plate was used in combination with each frame plate albeit in a different colour, so that the centre plate and its varieties, can be found in conjunction with each frame plate. This approach applied by both large and miniature sheets.

The stamps were printed on chalk surfaced paper with no watermark, that was described as white, but sometimes appeared cream. When viewed from the reverse of the stamp, the image of the design will be seen, demonstrating the transparent properties of this paper. Collectors should be wary of reported offset or set-offs with this issue, yet there is good offset of red colour on one sheet of the 4c+1c large sheet stamps. PVA gum was again used here. The perforations gauged 13½ x 14 for both large sheets and miniature sheets, and were applied by a single comb machine from the top of the sheet downwards.

The stamps were issued on 1st August 1973 and were withdrawn from general sale at Post Offices on 2nd October 1973.

The number of stamps printed was,

3c+1c

3,200,000 stamps from main sheets.
130,000 stamps from miniature sheets.

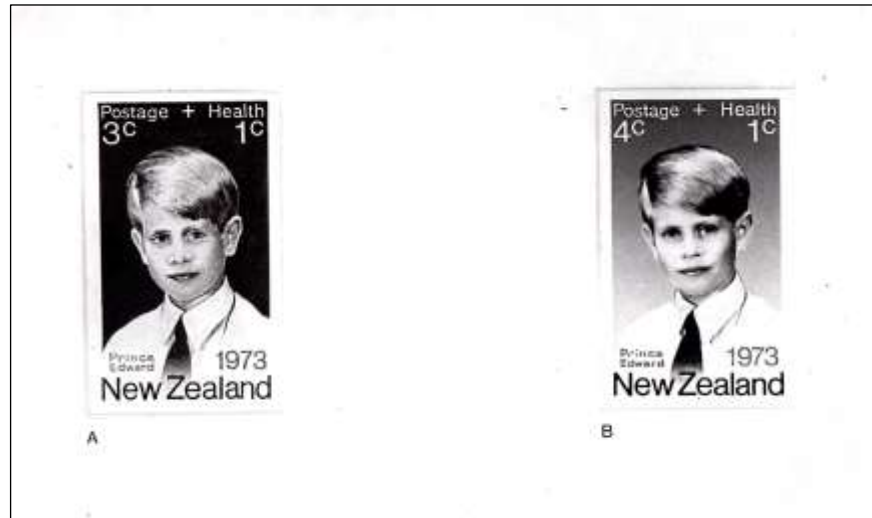
4c+1c

3,200,000 stamps from main sheets.
155,000 stamps from miniature sheets.

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Preliminary designs

The only essays that have come to the author's attention are those from the Harrison and Sons Ltd archive. They are photoproofs of an early version of the pair of stamps, on thick glossy photographic paper of size 203mm wide by 126mm in height. These show two images in black and white of preliminary designs for the 3c+1c and 4c+1c denominations labelled 'A' and 'B' respectively. The stamps are slightly oversized to those issued.



Early photproof from the Harrison and Sons Ltd archive.

Whilst these preliminary designs are recognisable to the stamps issued, they clearly show variation in the central portrait of Prince Edward, that is discussed in the comparison below. The 3c+1c image 'A' has a boyish look to the Prince set against a solid background. The wording 'Prince Edward' is in a different font to the stamps as issued. The 4c+1c image 'B' appears to be a more refined version of the 3c+1c, more like the final design set against a graduated background.



3c+1c Denomination labelled 'A'

4c+1c Denomination labelled 'B'

Comparison of the proof images against the issued stamps.

In the 3c+1c proof 'A', the nose, ears and width of the face are out of proportion to the rest of the head. The eyes give the impression that the Prince is looking sideways. The 4c+1c proof 'B' takes that early design to transform the 'boy' into a youth by working on the nose and eyes and adding subtle shading. The issued stamps show that additional work was done on the mouth to make them look fuller reducing the size of the chin. In the final design, the tie is increased in length to overlay the 'Z' of 'Zealand', that finishes just below the top of the 'Z' in the proofs.

First Day Covers

Official covers were used by both the Health camp Federation and the Post Office. There are known to be other locally produced covers that feature this set of stamps.



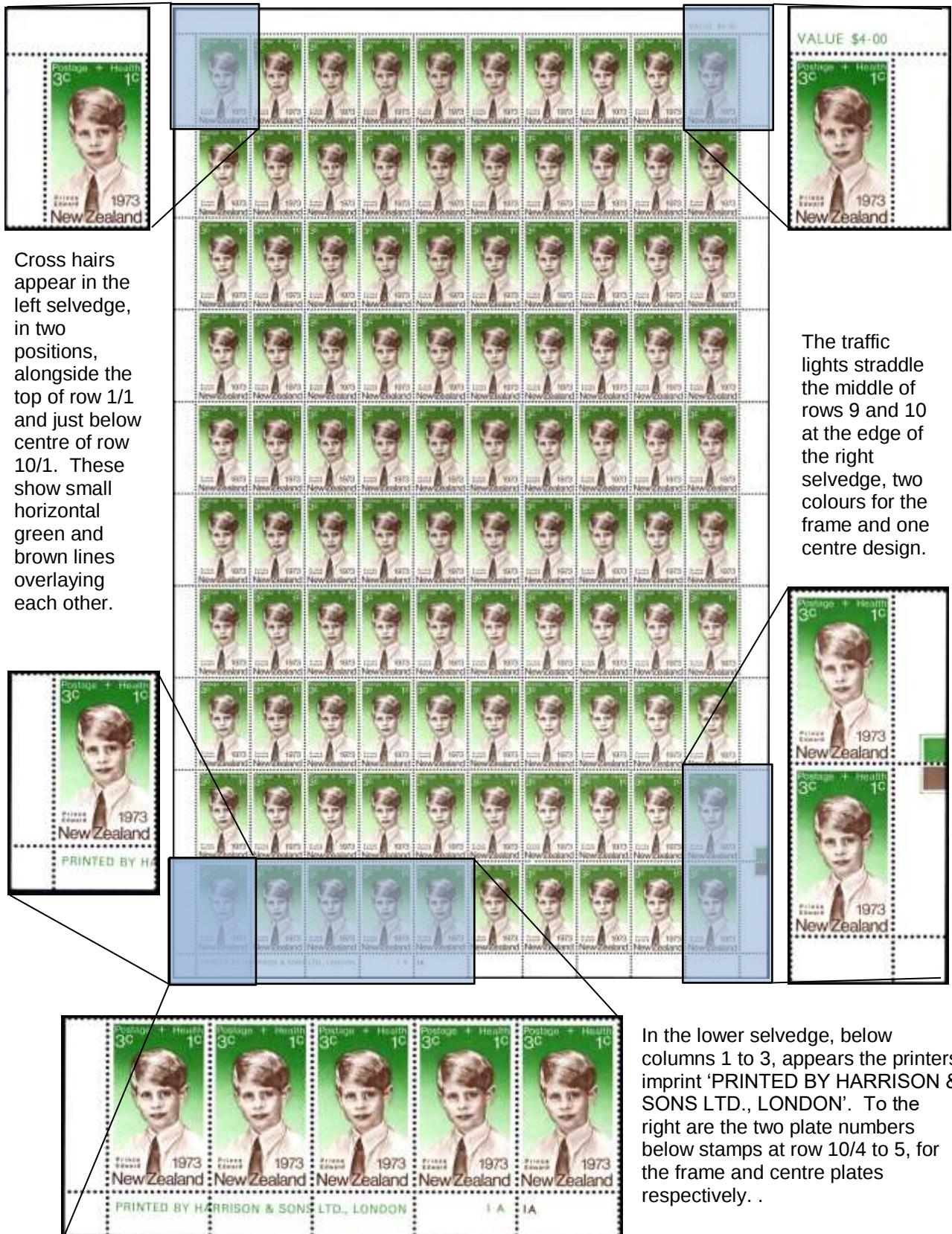
Post Office Standard First Day Cover datestamped
'NAPIER NZ 1973 HEALTH FIRST DAY OF ISSUE 1 AUG 1973'.



Cacheted First Day Cover as used by the Health Camps and available to the Post Office mail order
customers, datestamped
'PALMERSTON NORTH NZ 1973 HEALTH FIRST DAY OF ISSUE 1 AUG 1973'.

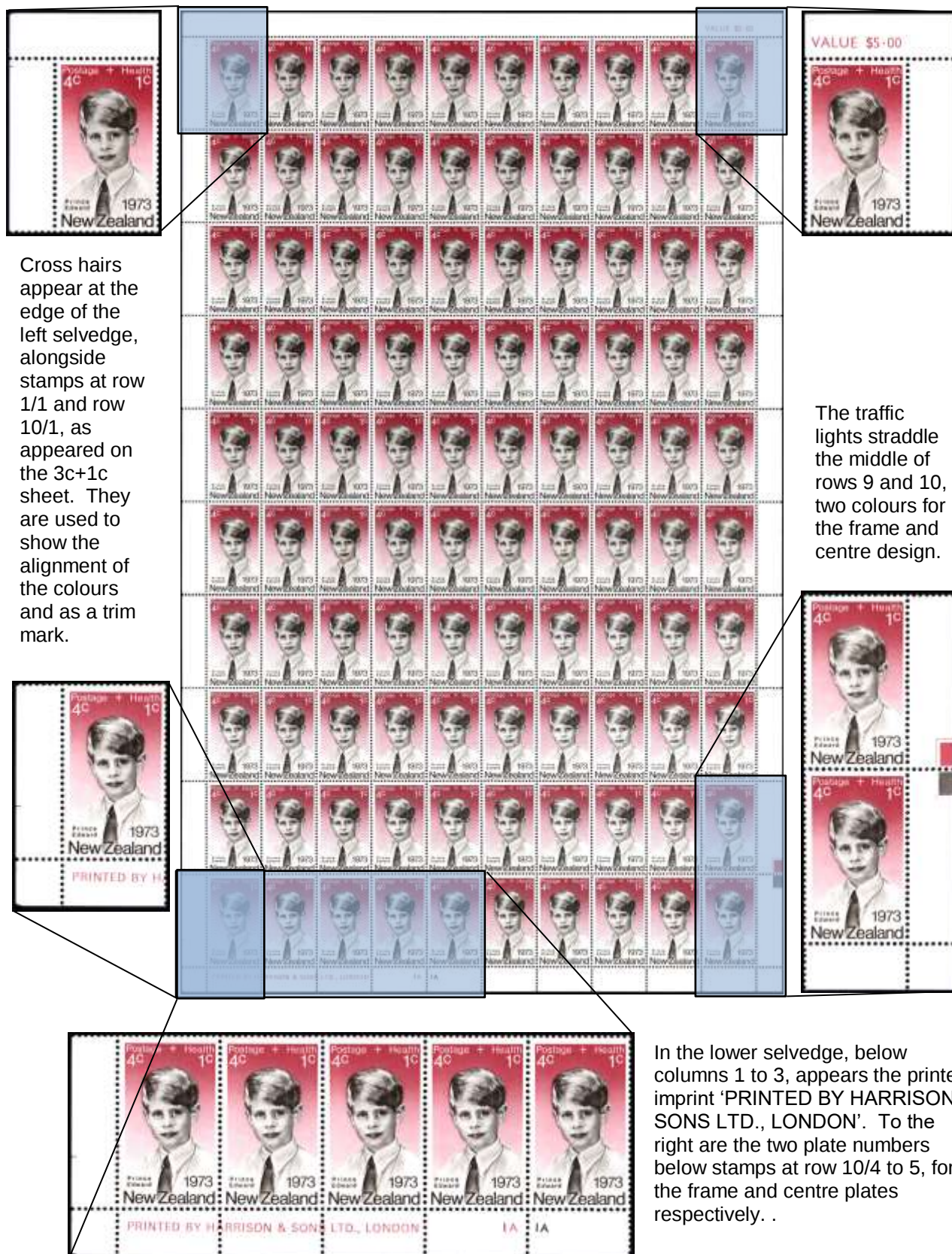
2d+1d Sheet Layout

The main sheets comprised of 100 stamps in 10 rows of 10 stamps. The printers imprint and plate number 1A1A appears in the lower selvedge beneath stamps at row 10/1 to 10/5. The sheet value \$4.00 appears in the top selvedge above the stamp at row 1/10.

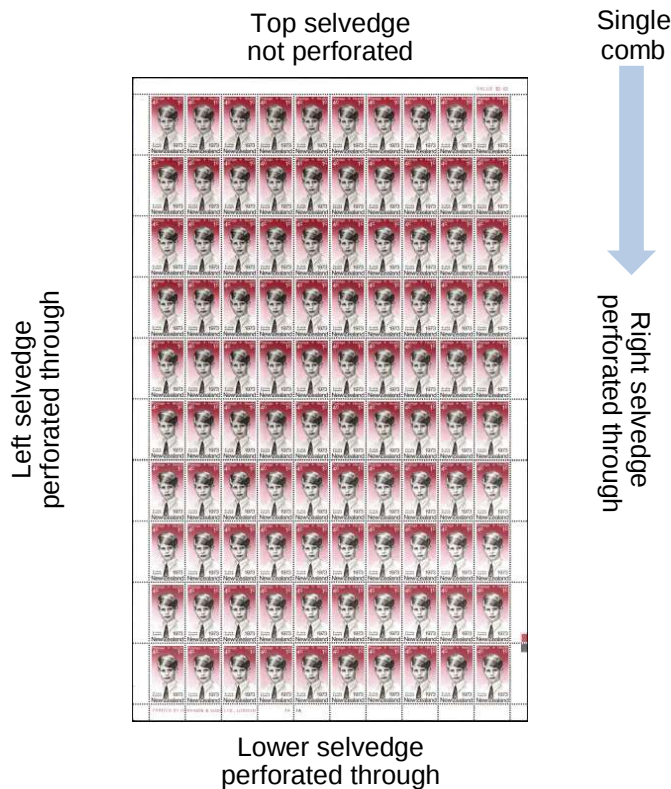


3d+1d Sheet Layout

The main sheets comprised of 100 stamps in 10 rows of 10 stamps. The printers imprint and plate number 1A1A appears in the lower selvedge beneath stamps at row 10/1 to 10/5. The sheet value \$5.00 appears in the top selvedge above the stamp at row 1/10.



Main sheet perforations



The perforations of the large sheets was done by a single comb perforating head gauging $13\frac{1}{2} \times 14$, starting from the top of the sheet, moving downwards.

The top selvedge was not perforated, whilst all other selvages had perforations running through them.

It is not shown in this diagram, but it is understood that the large sheet was part of a composite master sheet that included five miniature sheets alongside of it. What is thought to be appropriate arrangement is shown in the chapter covering miniature sheets. It is anticipated that the large sheet and miniature sheets were perforated by the same machine that extended across the composite plate. The presence of miniature sheets on this composite plate does not affect the layout of the perforations for the large sheet.

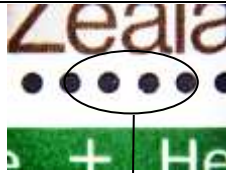
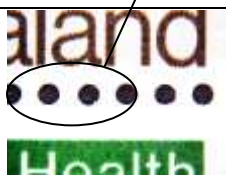
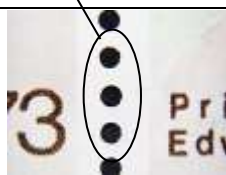
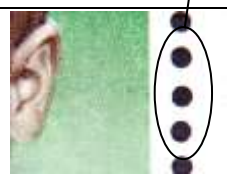
Both denominations are perforated in the same way by the same machine.



It is worthwhile to confirm that with each strike of the perforating head, the top and sides of each stamp are perforated. The next stroke of the single comb head then goes on to perforate the top and side of the row below, hence completing the bottom perfs of the stamp above. In this way, the top and bottom lines of perforations are the same, and any variation in the horizontal perfs will appear at both the top and bottom of the stamp.

Under magnification, there are very minor variances to be found affecting all columns of the large sheet. But these are small, perhaps too small to be of value when attempting to locate them on single stamps. They become more evident in blocks of stamps, where the line of perforations is complete, even so, they are small as is usually the case on modern stamps. Such variances are illustrated below.

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5
The 4th perf pin from the top right corner, is biased upwards, with a narrow gap above and wide below. This hole is found top right of the 'c' of '1c' on the stamps in column 1; bottom left of the 'P' of 'Postage' in stamps from column 2.	The 8th perf pin from the left corner is biased slightly left causing a narrow gap on the left and wider gap on the right. This hole is found directly below the 'Z' of 'Zeal' if at the bottom of the stamp; and top right of the 'e' of 'Postage' if at the top of the stamp.		The 8th perf pin down from the top right corner is biased to the left, and out of alignment with those pins above and below. This hole appears against plain background either side, bottom right and bottom left of the stamp values.	The 4th perf hole down from the top left corner of the stamp is biased to the right and out of alignment. This hole is found top right of the 'c' of '1c' on the stamps in column 4; bottom left of the 'P' of 'Postage' in stamps from column 5. This is more pronounced that a similar shift between columns 1 and 2.
				
				
				
	The 3rd perf pin up from the bottom right corner is biased slightly up, narrow gap above, wider below. This perf hole is found right of the middle of the 'd' of 'land' for stamps in column 2; and left of the middle of the 'N' of 'New' for stamps in column 3.	The 6th pin from the left corner is biased slightly down. This hole is found directly below the 'w' of 'New' when at the bottom of the stamp; and above the 'ag' of 'Postage' when at the top of the stamp.	The 8th perf pin from the left corner is biased slightly down and to the left, narrow gap on the left and wider on the right. This hole is found directly below the centre of the 'Z' of 'Zeal' when at the bottom of the stamp; and top right of the 'e' of 'Postage' when seen at the top of the stamp.	The 6th perf hole from the right corner is biased down. This hole is seen directly below the 'l' of 'land' when at the bottom of the stamp; and top right of the 'H' of 'Health' when at the top of the stamp.

Column 6	Column 7	Column 8	Column 9	Column 10
	The 2nd and 3rd holes down from the top right are both biased slightly right, returning to normal below. These holes are found right of the 'h' of 'Health' in column 7; left of the 'P' of 'Postage' on column 8.		There is a wide gap between the 7th and 8th perf hole from the right corner. Those either side appear narrow. This is found below the left side of the 'a' of 'land' if at the bottom of the stamp; top right of the '+' symbol if at the top of the stamp.	The 3rd perf hole down from the right corner is biased up and slightly right, causing narrow and wide gap. This hole is found right of the last 'h' of 'Health'.
				
				
				
The 4th perf hole from the left corner is biased upwards, notably so, and is out of alignment. This hole is found below the 'e' of 'New' if at the bottom of the stamp; above the 's' of 'Postage' if at the top.	Wide gap between the 5th and 6th perf holes from the right corner, those either side appear narrow. This hole is found below the 'a' of 'land' if at the bottom of the stamp; above the 'e' of 'Health' if at the top.	The 3rd perf pin from the left corner is biased to the left causing a narrow gap on the left and wide on the right. This hole is found below the right side of the 'N' of 'New' if at the bottom of the stamp; above the 'Po' of 'Postage' if at the top of the stamp.	The 6th perf pin up from the bottom left corner is biased slightly right, and out of alignment. This hole is found right of the top of the '3' of '1973' on the stamp in column 8; top left of the 'P' of 'Prince' on the stamp in column 9.	The 14th perf hole down from the top right corner is biased slightly down, causing a wide gap above and narrow below. This is found opposite the middle of the ear in the right.

PLATING THE 1973 HEALTH MAIN SHEETS

Main Sheet Errors

3c+1c Errors

None identified.

4c+1c Errors

 This offset shows the red colour appearing on the top 1cm on the reverse of the stamp.		
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☐	Red colour offset on the back	There is an offset of the red colour affecting the top 1cm of the stamp where, on the face of the stamp, the red colour is at its deepest. Take care not to confuse this offset with ink that permeates through the paper, as the paper is normally translucent and ink shows through most examples.	£60	2005
☐	Dry print of red	Horizontal strip shows progressive dry print of the red towards the right.	£40	May 2004

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Large Sheet Flaws and Varieties

Throughout the printing of each denomination, there are multiple white spots affecting both the centre and frame plates. A significant number of these are constant and can help with plating, whereas the transient ones only offer confusion. Take care when referencing them.

There are only a few major varieties to be seen in this issue, and these are confined to patches of colour or absence of these. There are certainly no retouches found in examples seen to date from main sheets, with only one example of retouching seen on the miniature sheet (row 1/1, sheet 1 centre plate), affecting the eye on the left.

The photogravure printing does allow for minor variation and the descriptions here identify the fly speck varieties that will help differentiate each stamp from its neighbour.

In the text that follows, the varieties are described in tables whose columns have the following meanings:

- Column 1: Circle that the collectors can fill in or tick if this variety is in their collection.
- Column 2: The sheet row and column number for the stamp in which this variety is found.
- Column 3: The colour of the plate to which this variety is associated.
- Column 4: A description of the variety.
- Column 5: A Thirkell grid reference to where the variety is seen on this stamp.
- Column 6: A tick in this column indicates that the author considers this variety of merit and the row will be in bold font. .

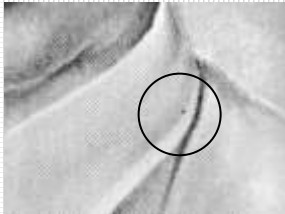
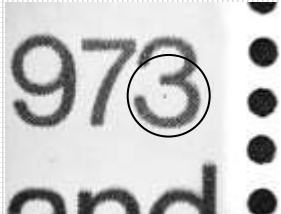
○	R1/3	Brown	The brown guide dot is seen in the right selvedge, 2mm from the edge of the stamp.	G8	✓
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Large Sheet Plate Varieties

Remember that the centre plate is used on both denominations and the varieties illustrated below can be collected for both values.

Centre Plate Varieties

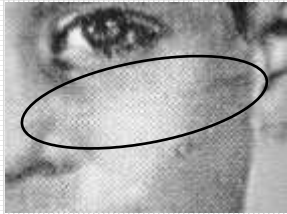
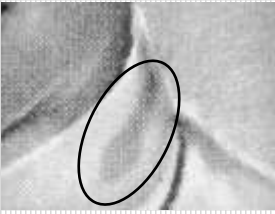
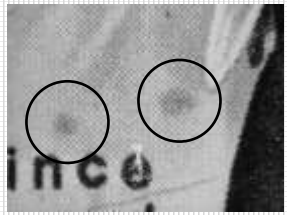
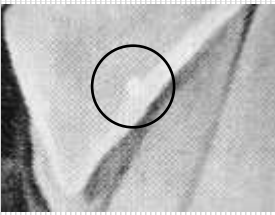
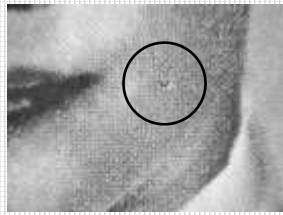
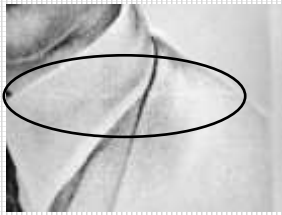
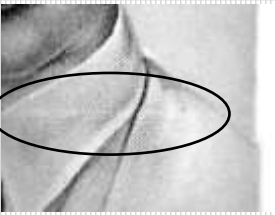
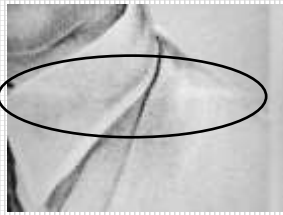
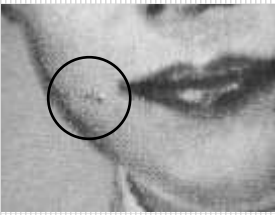
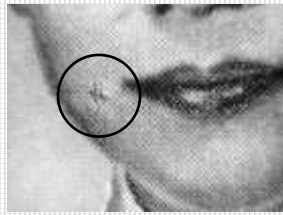
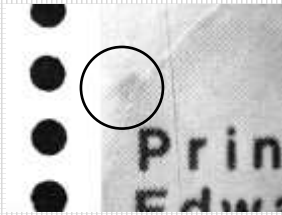
Centre Plate (Brown/Black) Multipositive Flaws

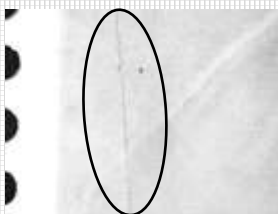
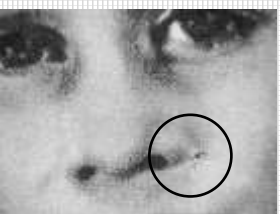
 White spot in the hair, left of the top of the parting.	 Tiny dark spot at the centre of the forehead just below the hairline.	 Tiny dark spot on the collar on the right, on its lower edge by the top of the diagonal crease.	 Tiny dark spot in the lower arc of the '3' of '1973' just below the centre arm.
 Tiny dark spot 1mm above the 'c' of 'Prince'.			

○	Centre	Black/Brown	Tiny white spot just left of the parting of the hair, close to the outer edge. It is part of the folds of the hair, but could be mis-identified as a white spot.	D2	✓
○	Centre	Black/Brown	Tiny dark spot at the centre of the forehead, adjacent to the hairline, directly above the centre line of the nose. .	E4	✓
○	Centre	Black/Brown	Tiny dark spot on the lower edge of the shading of the collar on the right, at the top of the diagonal crease on the boy's shirt. This shows up best on the brown colour.	I6	✓
○	Centre	Black/Brown	Dark spot in the centre of the lower arc of the '3' of '1973', close to the short middle arm. This is a really easy spot to see, as it sits against a nearly white background. More prominent at the top of the sheet but loses clarity towards the bottom of the sheet.	KJL7	✓
○	Centre	Black/Brown	Tiny dark spot on the shirt, 1mm above the 'c' of 'Prince'. This is a really small spot and may be overwhelmed by the shading of the background.	K2	✓

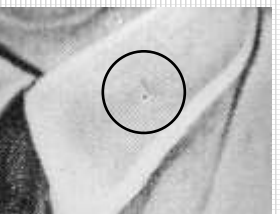
Centre Plate Varieties

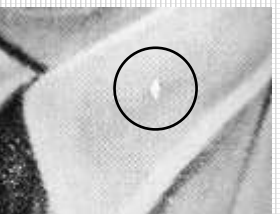
The flaws and fly speck varieties for the centre plate are most apparent on the brown colour, perhaps allowing the white paper to show through in a better contrast to that of the black colour.

 R2/1 Centre: Long diagonal smudges on the face, right of the nose to the ear.	 R2/3 Centre: There is long dark stain on the collar on the right.	 R2/3 Centre: Break on the centre of the 'e' of 'Prince'.	 R2/3 Centre: Diagonal line above 'ward' stretching to the tie.
 R2/3 Centre: Two dark patches above and to the right of 'Prince'.	 R2/4 Centre: Circular white patch with dark centre on the collar on the right.	 R2/10 Centre: Tiny white spot on the cheek, right of the mouth.	 R3/2 Centre: Here starts a long white band that runs horizontally across the row.
 R3/5 Centre: Further scratch across the stamp, from the chin, right collar, leaves a dark smudge.	 R3/5 Centre: The long horizontal fuzzy scratch continues here.	 R3/9 Centre: The long horizontal fuzzy scratch becomes much wider here.	 R4/2 Centre: Fuzzy smudge above the left arm of the 'N' of 'New'.
 R4/3 Centre: Tiny dark spot in the right margin, just top right of the end of the shoulder.	 R4/6 Centre: Flaw on the cheek, left of the mouth. The illustrations are from the 3c+1c and 4c+1c respectively, showing the small variance between the two printings.		 R4/10 Centre: Patch of darker coloured screen dots above the 'P' of 'Prince'.

 R4/10 Centre: Near vertical scratch above and through the shoulder on the left.	 R5/2 Centre: Prominent dark spot just right of the nostril on the right.	 R5/3 Centre: Prominent dark spot left of the centre of the '3' of '1973'.	 R5/6 Centre: Crack through the top bar of the 'Z' of 'Zeal'.
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 R6/5 Centre: Two close tiny white spots just below the left side of the mouth.	 R6/10 Centre: Dark spot between the 'l' and 'a' of 'land'.	 R7/4 Centre: Dark spot at the base of the 'i' of 'Prince'.	 R8/3 Centre: Dark patch on the forehead just above the left side of the eye on the right.
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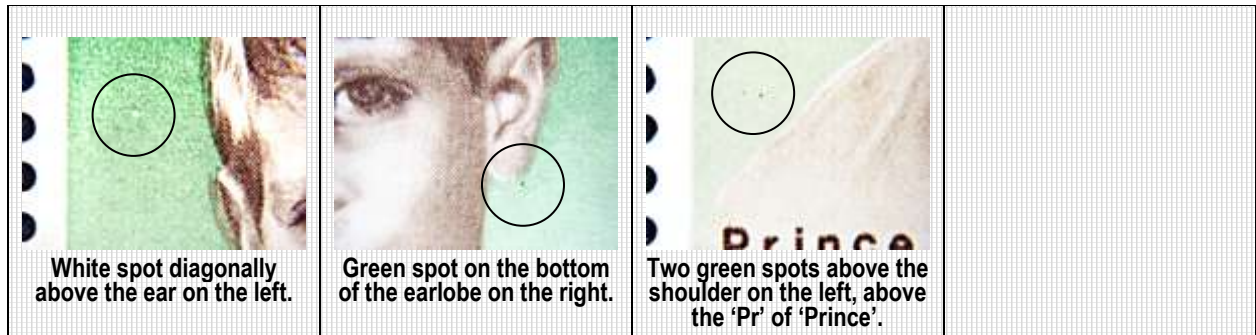
 R9/7 Centre: There is a small dark spot on the left side of the face, just right of the earlobe. On some examples, this spot causes a rangitoto doctor blade flaw to appear, with streaks either side of it.	 R9/7 Centre: A tiny dark spot appears at the centre of the collar on the right side. As with the spot on the face, this spot is sometimes seen at the centre of a rangitoto flaw.
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 R10/2 Centre: Tiny white spot immediately below the 'e' of 'New'.	 R10/6 Centre: Dark spot on the right side of the nose, top right of the nostril.	 R10/10 Centre: Small white patch at the centre of the collar on the right side.	
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3c+1c Green Frame Plate Varieties

3c+1c Green Multipositive Flaws

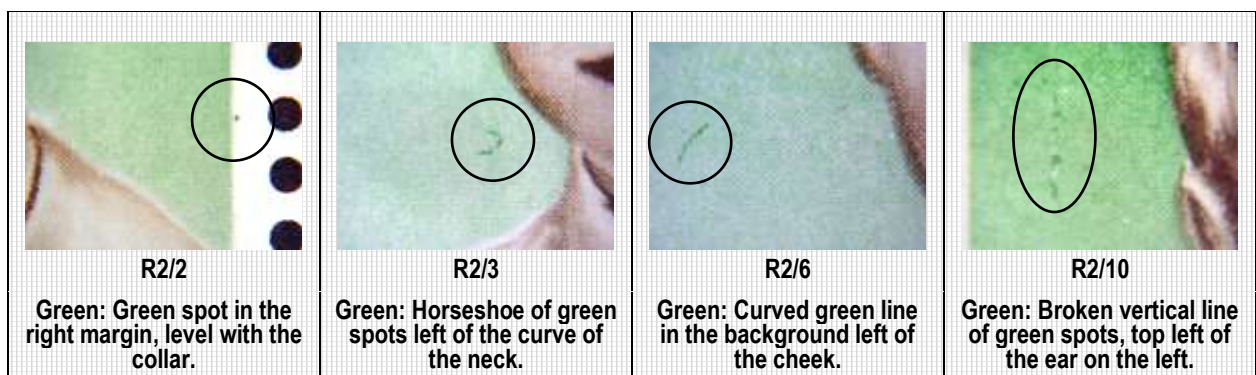
The main sheets show multipositive flaws that affect all stamps on the sheet to some extent. On some examples, these are faint. It is interesting to note that these multipositive flaws are also found on the miniature sheets.

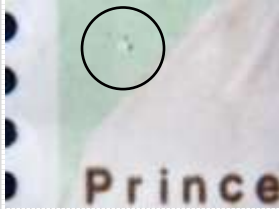
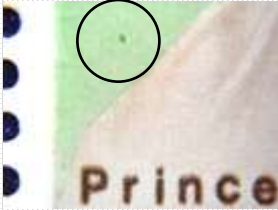


○	Frame	Green	White spot in the background above the ear on the left, midway between the hair and the left frame. It is 3mm diagonally top left of the ear. This is usually fuzzy. Most often there is a tiny dark spot 0.5mm below this white spot.	E1	✓
○	Frame	Green	Tiny green spot just below the earlobe of the ear on the right. As it is very close to the centre, its perceived position may vary. There is also a very faint green spot 1.5mm right of this spot, slightly lower.	G6	✓
○	Frame	Green	There are two green spots in the background above the shoulder on the left, 0.5mm apart, 1.5mm above the top of the shoulder. In some examples one or both of these spots may be faint, but both will be present in some form. The spot on the right is the more prominent of the two.	J1	✓

3c+1c Green Plate Varieties

The plate varieties described here are those deemed by the author to be significant, and worthy of being in the collection of those who appreciate this specialisation.



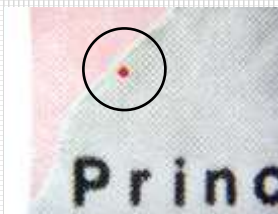
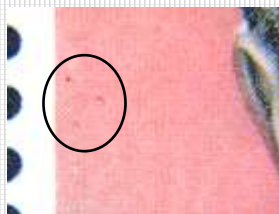
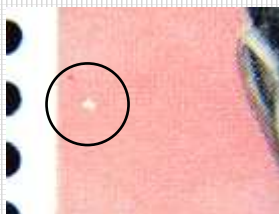
 R4/1 Green: Flaw close to the left edge, far left of the collar.	 R4/2 Green: Dark green spot in the background, above the shoulder on the left.	 R5/7 Green: Green circle just below the eye on the right.	 R6/7 Green: Fuzzy white spot below the 'c' of '3c'. This is quite prominent.
 R7/8 Green: Patch of green in the margin at the bottom right corner of the stamp.	 R8/1 Green: Large white spot, eye visible, below the right foot of the 'h' of 'Health'.	 R8/1 Green: White spot in the background, above 'Pr' of 'Prince', with two green spots on the right.	 R8/1 Green: Large white patch just above the top of the shoulder on the left, eye visible.
 R9/3 Green: Dark green spot in the triangle at lower left, way above the 'Pr' of 'Prince'.	 R10/1 Green: The left constant spot above the left shoulder is now a rangitoto flaw.		

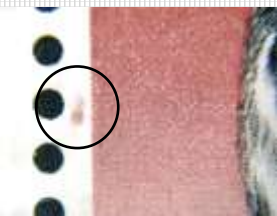
4c+1c Red Frame Plate Varieties

4c+1c Red Multipositive Flaws

On many sheets there is a wash of red colour across the face of the stamps, some more prominent than others. This wash has a distinct horizontal ribbing especially where it passes through the red wording of the design. This is most likely caused by the action of the doctor blade and results in many stamps having a pink tint when compared to others.

4c+1c Red Plate Varieties

 R1/1 Red: Flaw as a series of spots above the shoulder on the left.	 R1/5 Red: Short diagonal white scratch in the red background above the shoulder on the right.	 R2/3 Red: Long diagonal scratch in the background right side of the neck.	 R2/5 Red: Dark red circular patch below the 'c' of '4c'.
 R3/2 Red: Diagonal smudged line from the 'c' of '1c' to the left edge of the ear.	 R3/4 Red: Prominent red spot on the shoulder above 'Pr' of 'Prince'.	 R3/7 Red: A dark irregular line follows the outline of the left shoulder for about 3mm.	 R3/10 Red: Large pink patch in the background, left of the mouth.
 R4/2 Red: Short diagonal spur from the right end of the top of the stamp, above the 'h' of 'Health'.	 R4/7 Red: Two red spots appear on the shirt, above the '3' of '1973'.	 R4/9 Red: Three dark spots appear close to the left edge. Far left of the ear.	 R5/3 Red: Prominent white spot close to the left edge, left of the head.

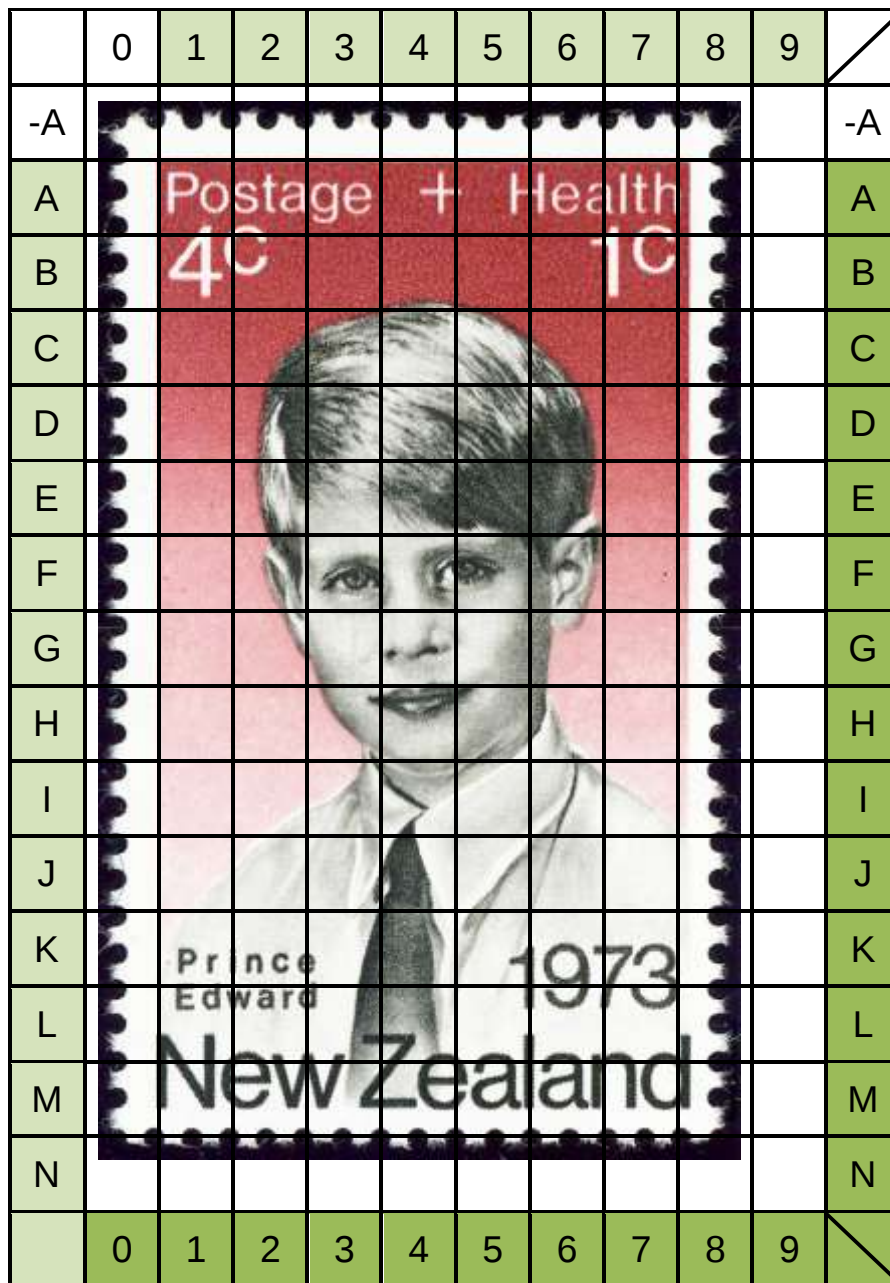
			
R5/5 Red: Two tiny red spots appear on the shirt, at far right, below the end of the shoulder. They appear in two states, faint to bold.	R5/8 Red: Dark fuzzy spot midway between the left edge and the ear on the left.	R5/8 Red: Horizontal scratch right from the neck into the lighter red background.	
			
R6/4 Red: The top of the 'c' of '1c' has a white spur that almost connects it to the 'h' of 'Health'.	R6/7 Red: Large fuzzy white spot close to the left edge of the stamp, far left of the head.	R7/1 Red: Prominent fuzzy white spot on the left edge of the cheek, level with the mouth.	R7/9 Red: Tiny red spot in the white of the 'c' of '1c', with a smaller red spot at the centre of the '1'.
			
R8/6 Red: Bold red smudge in the left margin, left of the side of the head.	R9/6 Red: Missing red on the nose of the 'e' of 'Postage' leaving a white blob.		

Variety Positions

The following diagrams will help the collector identify the location of those varieties that follow. The author has used the labels '0' and '-A' to identify the position of varieties that appear in the left and top margins that lie outside of the normal numbering system to include positioning of varieties found in the margins.

3c+1c Prince Edward, Green and Brown

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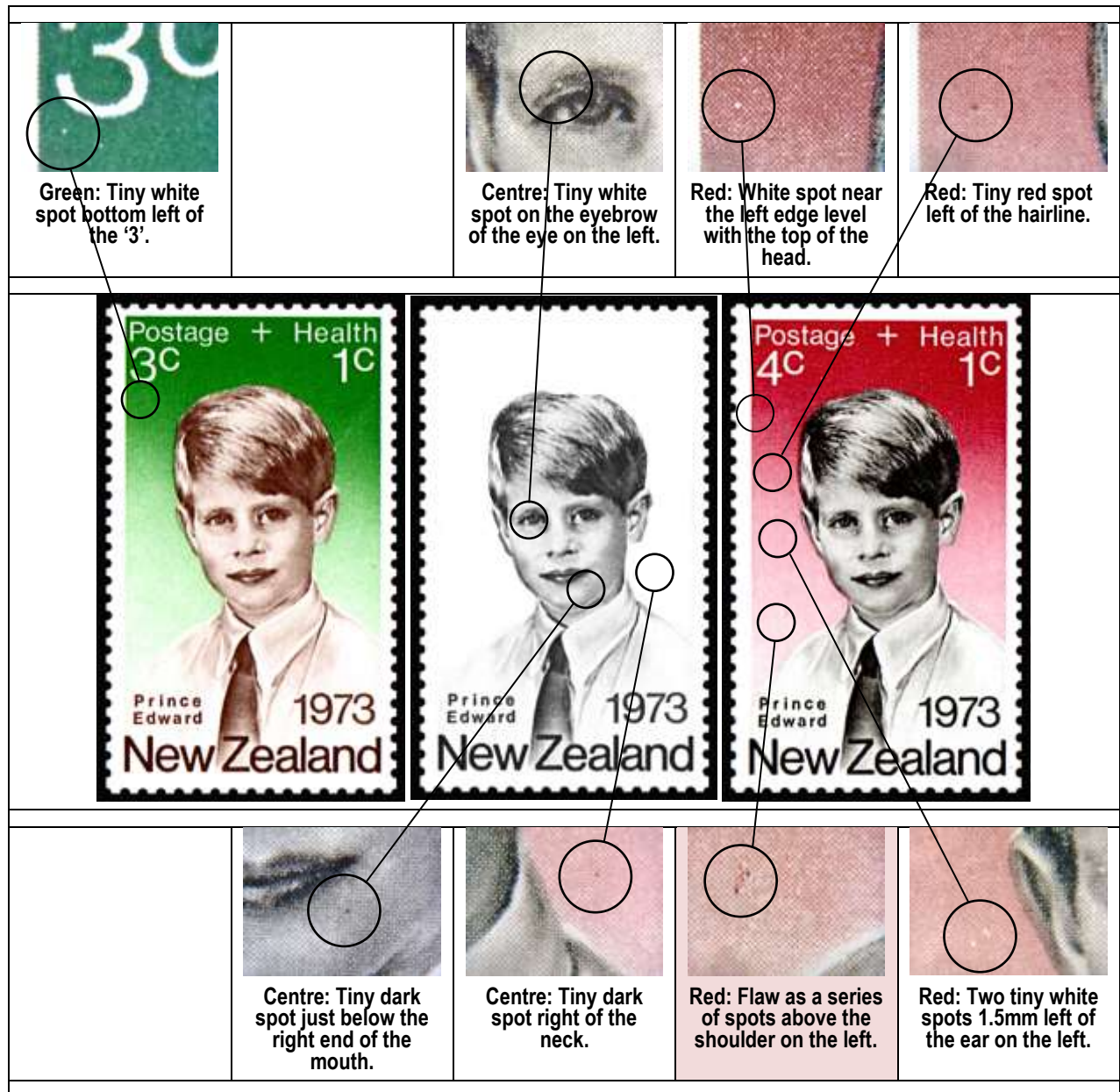
4c+1c Prince Edward, Red and Black

Aligning the grid position A1 against the outer edge of the stamp design, not including the perforations. The grid reference is taken using the vertical/horizontal position, that has the stamp top left corner being A1, with the bottom right corner being in square M8.

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Row 1/1 Variety Map

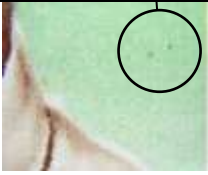
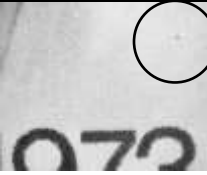
On this stamp, look for the group of red spots that form a flaw in the shading in the pink background of the 4c+1c value, just above the shoulder on the left. To identify this stamp's position there is a prominent white spot on the eyebrow on the left, not a significant white spot in itself, but notable by its position.



○	R1/1	Centre	White spot on the eyebrows on the left.	F3	
○	R1/1	Centre	Dark spot beneath the right end of the mouth.	H5	
○	R1/1	Centre	Tiny dark spot in the background, right of the neck.	H6	
○	R1/1	Green	Tiny white spot bottom left of the '3' of the value.	B C1	
○	R1/1	Red	Tiny white spot in the background near the left edge of the stamp, alongside of the top of the parting of the hair.	C1	
○	R1/1	Red	Tiny red spot in the background on the left, left of the hair, top left of the ear.	E1	
○	R1/1	Red	Two tiny white spots 1.5mm left of the ear on the left.	F G 1 2	
○	R1/1	Red	Tiny flaw just above the shoulder on the left, as a series of tiny spots joined together.	I1	

Row 1/2 Variety Map

It is difficult to identify this stamp. There are no significant varieties for the central design, and it is left to find varieties in the green and red plates for this. Fortunately there are two that will help; the double green spots above the right shoulder; and white spot close to the foot of the '1' of '1c'.

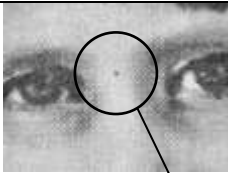
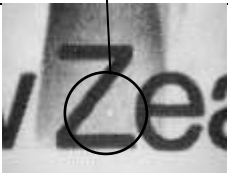
			 Red: Tiny white spot bottom right of the '+' symbol.	 Red: Tiny white spot immediately below the '1' of '1c'.
				
	 Green: Two tiny green spots above the shoulder on the right.	 Centre: Tiny dark spot on the shirt, way above the '3' of '1973'.		

○	R1/2	Centre	Dark spot on the shirt, 2.5mm above the '3' of '1973'.	J7	
○	R1/2	Green	Two faint green spots in the background on the right, just above the shoulder, level with the top of the shoulder.	H7	
○	R1/2	Red	Tiny white spot bottom right of the '+' symbol at the top of the stamp.	B5	
○	R1/2	Red	Tiny white spot immediately below the '1' of '1c'.	B7	

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Row 1/3 Variety Map

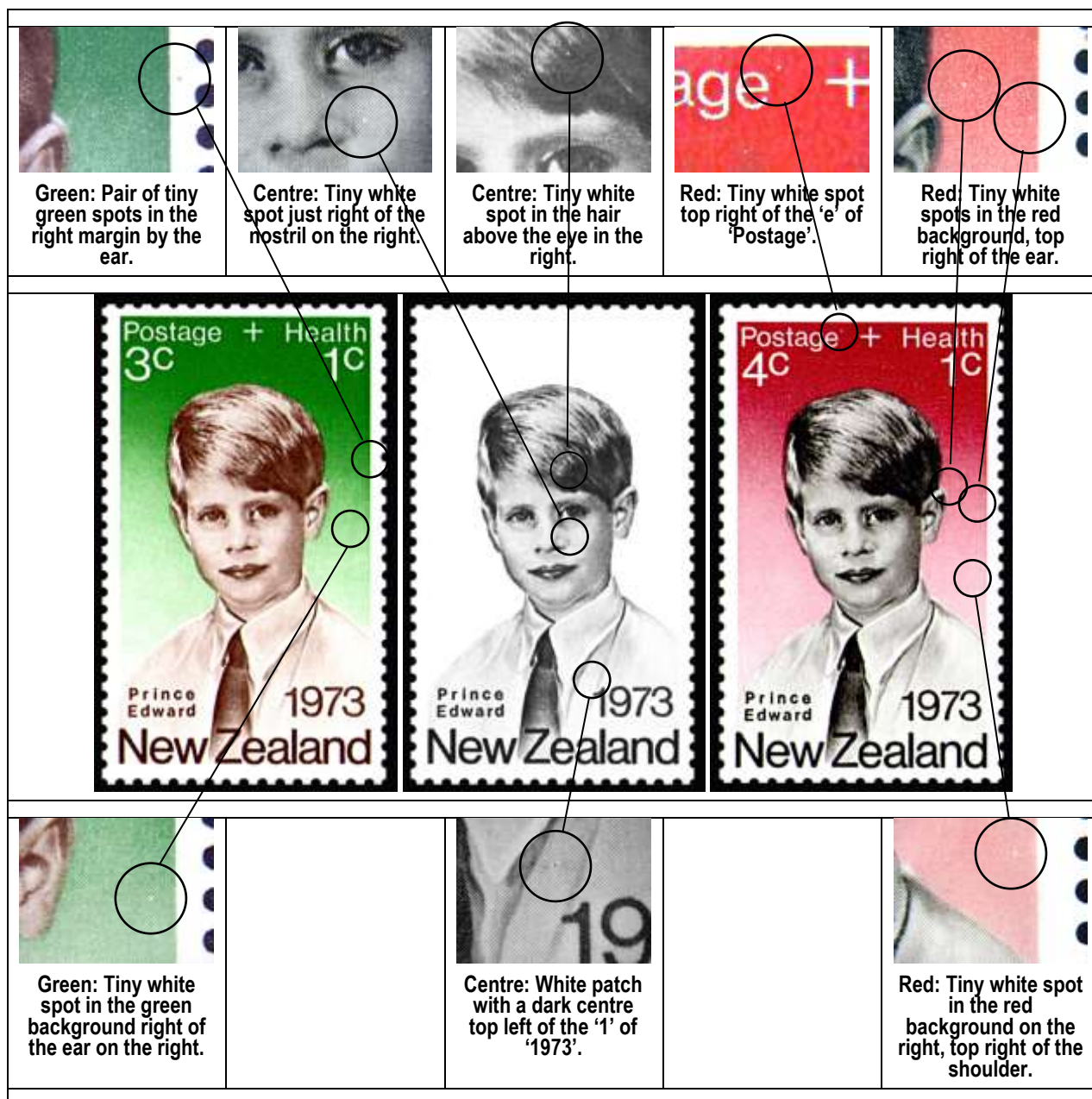
The dark spot on the bridge of the nose is the easiest variety to find to identify this stamp. Add this to the prominent green and red spots on the 3c+1c and 4c+1c denominations, for confirmation

				
	Centre: Dark spot on the bridge of the nose between the eyes.	Centre: White spot in the hair at centre.		
				
				
Green: Dark green spot left of the collar.		Centre: White spot on the tie in the lower angle of the 'Z'.		Red: Dark spot in the background, close to the left edge of the stamp above the shoulder.

○	R1/3	Centre	Tiny white spot at the centre of the hair, and a further white spot to the right.	D4	
○	R1/3	Centre	Dark spot on the bridge of the nose.	F4	
○	R1/3	Centre	Tiny white spot on the tie, between the lower angle of the 'Z' of 'Zeal'.	M4	
○	R1/3	Green	Tiny green spot just left of the neck, in the background.	H3	
○	R1/3	Red	Tiny red spot adjacent to the left edge of the stamp, level with the top of the tie, 5mm, above the 'P' of 'Prince'.	I1	

Row 1/4 Variety Map

There is an interesting spot on the centre plate that appears above the '1' of '1973'. Here, there is a white spot on the shirt, that has a dark centre. It is small, but unique.



○	R1/4	Centre	Tiny white spot, 2mm into the hair, above the eye on the right. This is right of the natural light patch to confuse.	E5	
○	R1/4	Centre	Tiny white spot right of the nose, below the eye on the right.	F G5	
○	R1/4	Centre	Dark spot on the shirt, top left of the '1' of '1973'. This spot has a lightly shaded area around it.	K5	
○	R1/4	Green	Tiny green spot in the right margin, just above the level of the top of the ear.	E8	
○	R1/4	Green	Tiny white spot in the background, right of the ear, 0.5mm from the right edge of the stamp.	F7	
○	R1/4	Red	Tiny white spot top right of the 'e' of 'Postage'.	A3	
○	R1/4	Red	Tiny white spot in the background on the right, top right of the ear, and a further spot against the right frame level with the top of the ear.	E7	
○	R1/4	Red	Tiny white spot in the background on the lower right, above the shoulder, next to the right edge.	H7	

Row 1/5 Variety Map

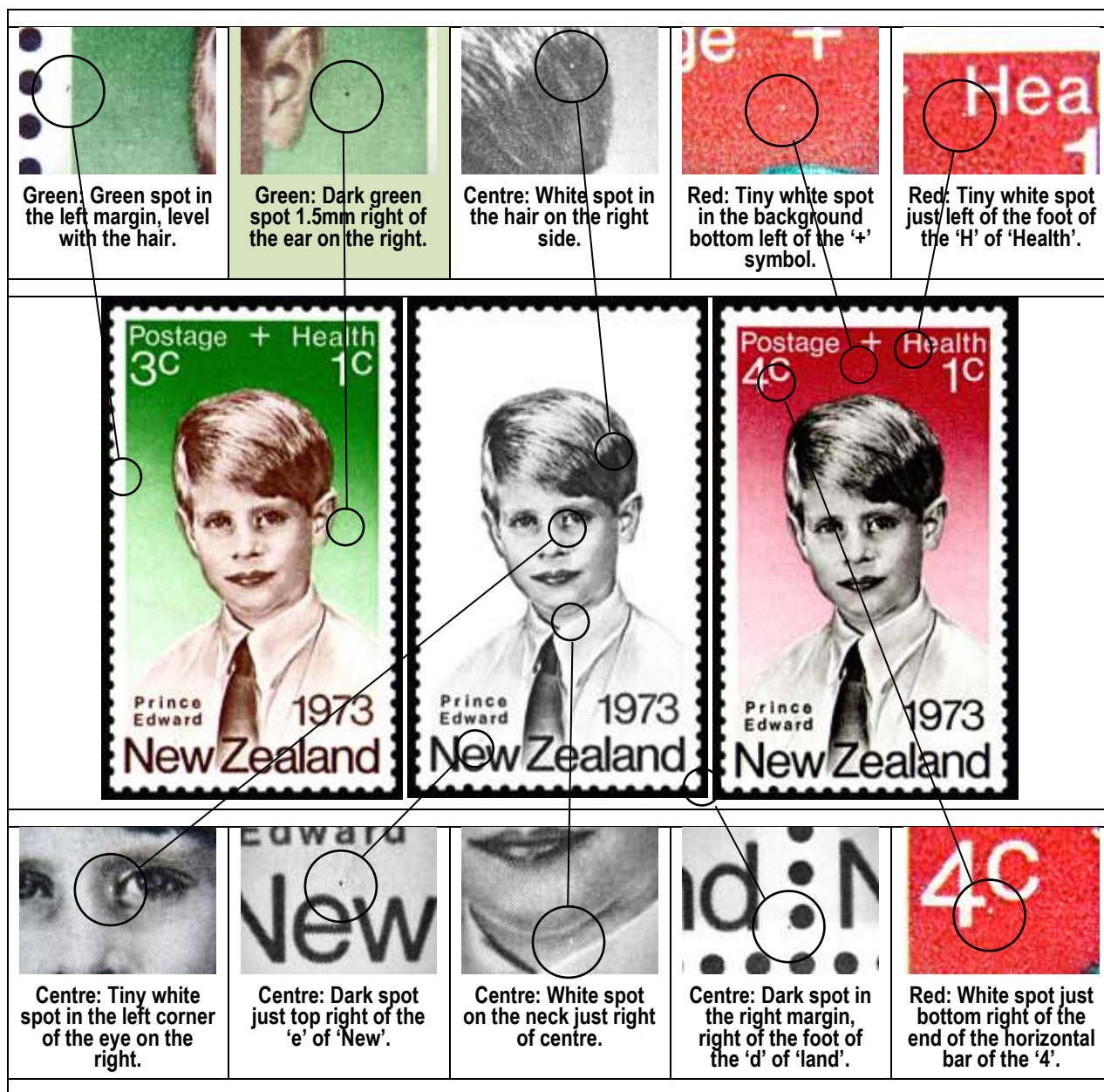
On the 4c+1c red, look for the short diagonal white scratch from the right edge of the stamp inwards, that appears top right of the shoulder on the right. There is little of interest on the green 3c+1c, so look for the small dark spot that lies between the '9' of '1973' and the 'a' of 'land'. This latter variety is not significant, but it is all that there is to recognise this stamp.



○	R1/5	Centre	Dark spot on the shirt, between the '9' of '1973' and the 'a' of 'land'.	L6	
○	R1/5	Green	Tiny white spot close to the left edge of the stamp, far left of the ear on the left.	E1	
○	R1/5	Green	Tiny green spot in the background on the right, between the collar and the right edge of the stamp.	H7	
○	R1/5	Red	Short diagonal white scratch through the background on the right, from the right edge of the stamp, inwards by 1.5mm, falling short of the shoulder.	I7-I8	✓

Row 1/6 Variety Map

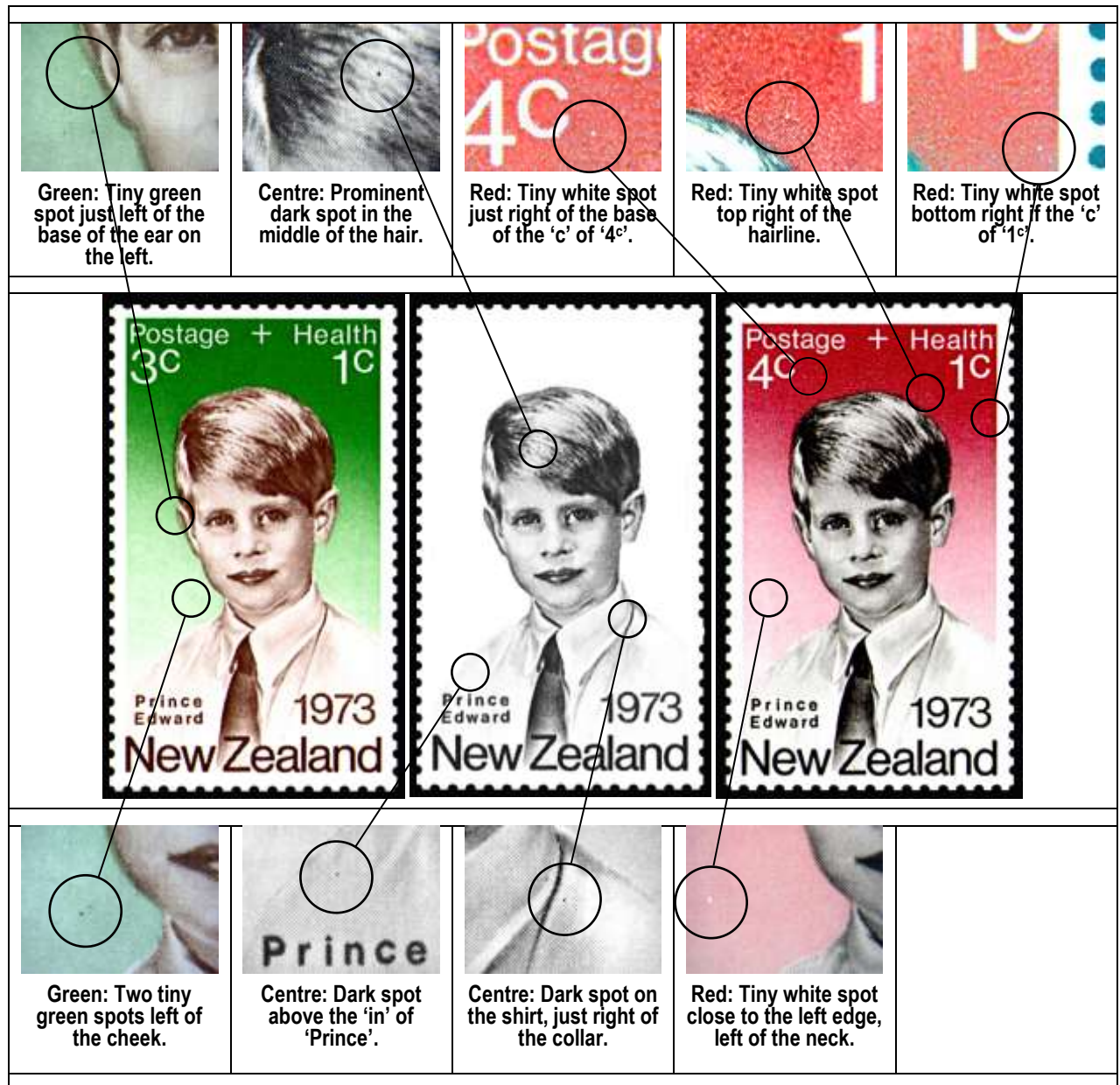
Look to the 'e' of 'New' to see a small dark spot at top right. This affects the centre plate and as such appears on each denomination. There are small spots in each colour to help confirm.



○	R1/6	Centre	Tiny white spot in the hair, above the ear on the right.	D6	
○	R1/6	Centre	Tiny white spot in the left corner of the eye on the right.	F4	
○	R1/6	Centre	Tiny white spot on the neck below the chin.	I4	
○	R1/6	Centre	Dark spot top right of the 'e' of 'New'.	L2	
○	R1/6	Centre	Dark spot in the right margin, level with the base of the 'd' of 'land', most likely cut off by the perforations.	M8	
○	R1/6	Green	Tiny green spur into the left margin, level with the centre of the hair at left.	D0	
○	R1/6	Green	Dark green spot 1.5mm right of the centre of the right ear.	F7	✓
○	R1/6	Red	Tiny white spot by the left foot of the 'H' of 'Health'.	A5	
○	R1/6	Red	Tiny white spot at the right end of the bar of the '4' of the value.	B1	
○	R1/6	Red	Tiny white spot at the centre of the background above the head, bottom left of the '+' symbol.	B4	

Row 1/7 Variety Map

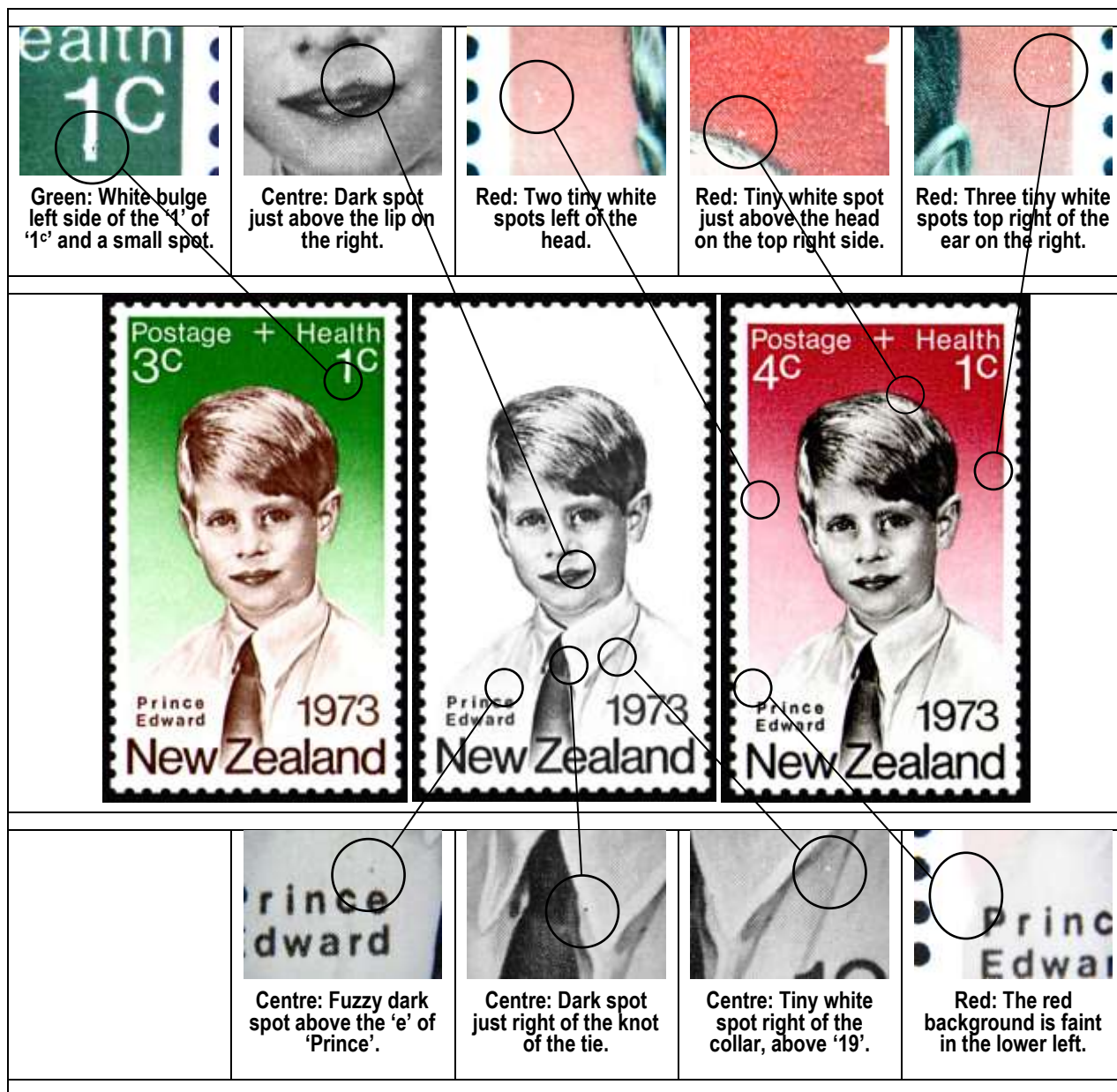
Take care with the dark spots as there are similar spots on other stamps roughly in the same positions as the spots seen on this stamp, albeit not all at the same time. The dark spot in the hair is most noticeable.



○	R1/7	Centre	Dark spot at the centre of the hair, in the grey band.	D3 4	✓
○	R1/7	Centre	Dark spot on the shirt, above the 'in' of 'Prince'.	J2	
○	R1/7	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the shoulder on the right, just right of the collar.	J6	
○	R1/7	Green	Tiny green spot bottom left of the ear on the left.	G2	
○	R1/7	Green	Two tiny green spots in the background, 1.5mm left of the top of the collar.	H I3	
○	R1/7	Red	Tiny white spot top right of the head, 1.5mm from the hairline.	B6	
○	R1/7	Red	Tiny white spot right of the base of the 'c' of '4c'.	C2	
○	R1/7	Red	White spot against the right edge of the stamp, bottom right of the '1c'.	C8	
○	R1/7	Red	Tiny white spot in the background on the left, level with the centre of the chin, 2mm from the left frame.	H1	

Row 1/8 Variety Map

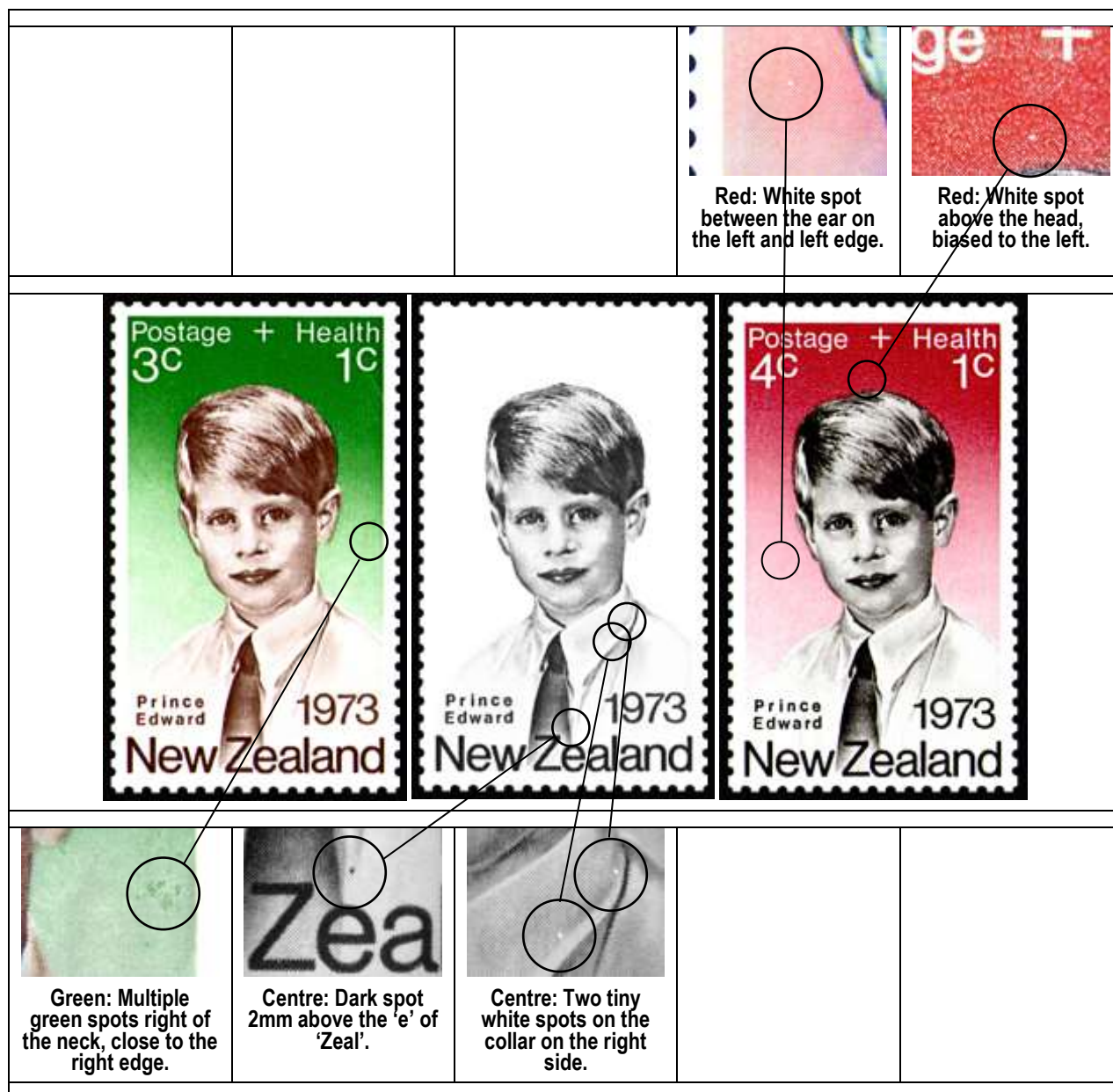
There are many dark spots here, choose the one that appears right of the knot of the tie.



○	R1/8	Centre	Dark spot immediately above the top lip, on the right side.	G4	
○	R1/8	Centre	Dark spot on the edge of the collar, just right of the knot.	J4	
○	R1/8	Centre	Tiny white spot just right of the collar, between the folds.	J5 6	
○	R1/8	Centre	Dark spot on the shirt just above the 'e' of 'Prince'.	K3	
○	R1/8	Green	Green spur into the background on the lower right side of the '1' of the value '1c'. Seen together with a small green spot near the foot of the value.	B7	
○	R1/8	Red	Tiny white spot on the hairline top right of the head, bottom left of the 'H' of 'Health'.	B C5	
○	R1/8	Red	Three tiny white spots close to the right frame, top right of the ear. One is brighter than the other two.	D7-E7	
○	R1/8	Red	Two close tiny white spots in the background near the left edge of the stamp, top left of the ear.	E1	
○	R1/8	Red	The lower left point of the background, alongside of the 'P' of 'Prince', is very faint.	K1	

Row 1/9 Variety Map

The 3c+1c green stamp has the best variety here, seen as a group of darker green spots right of the neck, close to the right edge of the stamp. However, look to the 'e' of 'Zeal' where a dark spot from the centre plate can be found on the shirt 2mm above. This is seen readily.

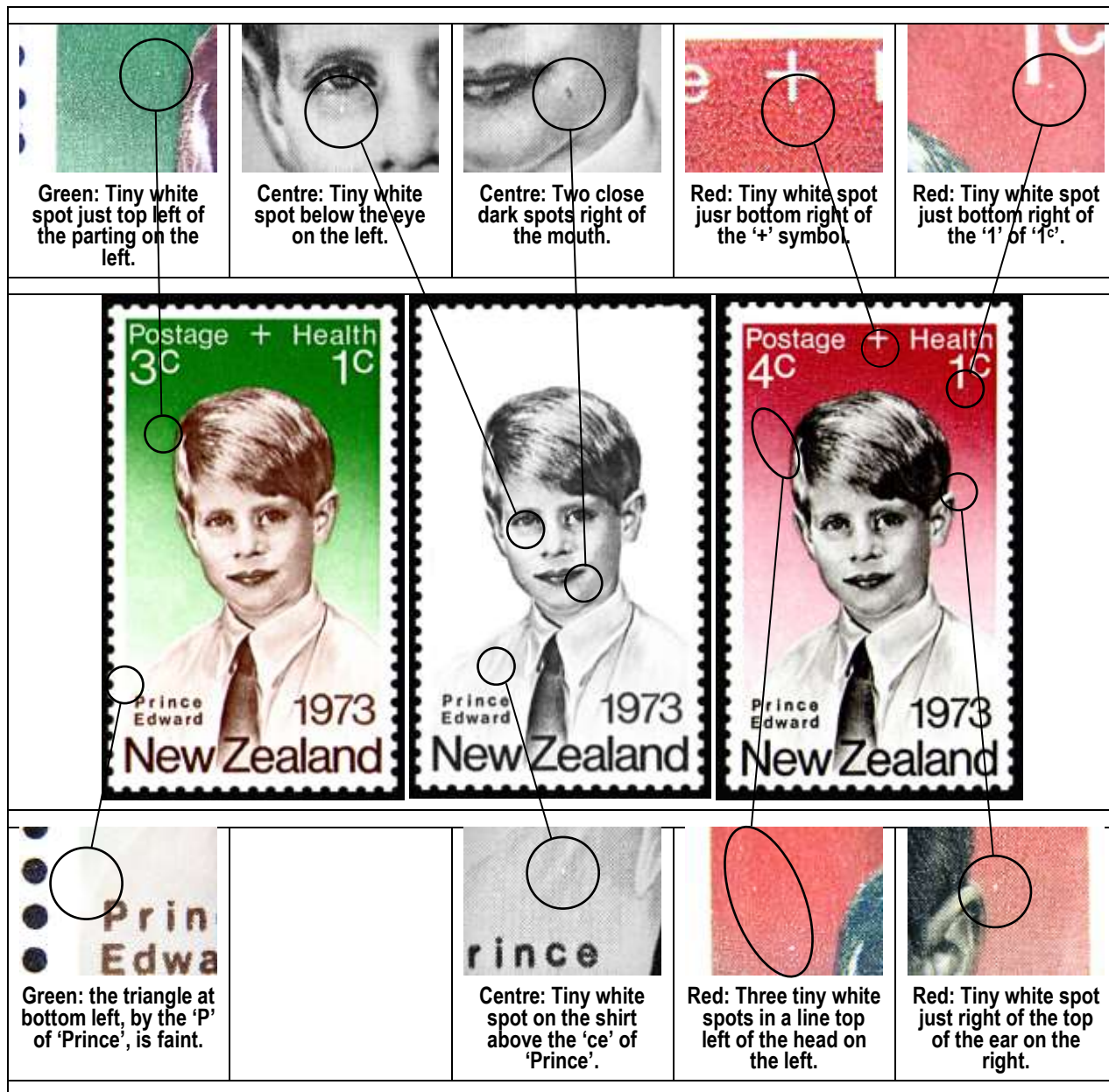


○	R1/9	Centre	Two white spots on the lower edge of the collar on the right.	J5, I6	
○	R1/9	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the shirt, 2mm above the 'e' of 'Zeal'.	L4	
○	R1/9	Green	Multiple green spots in the background on the right, close to the right edge of the stamp, midway between the ear and the collar.	G7	
○	R1/9	Red	Tiny white spot above the head bottom left of the '+' symbol. On some examples this is faint.	B4	
○	R1/9	Red	Tiny white spot in the background on the left, between the ear and the left frame.	G1	

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Row 1/10 Variety Map

There is an interesting 'mole' that appears on the right side of the mouth, as two closely grouped dark spots on the cheek. This is quite plain to see. Otherwise, look for the white teardrop from the centre of the eye on the left.

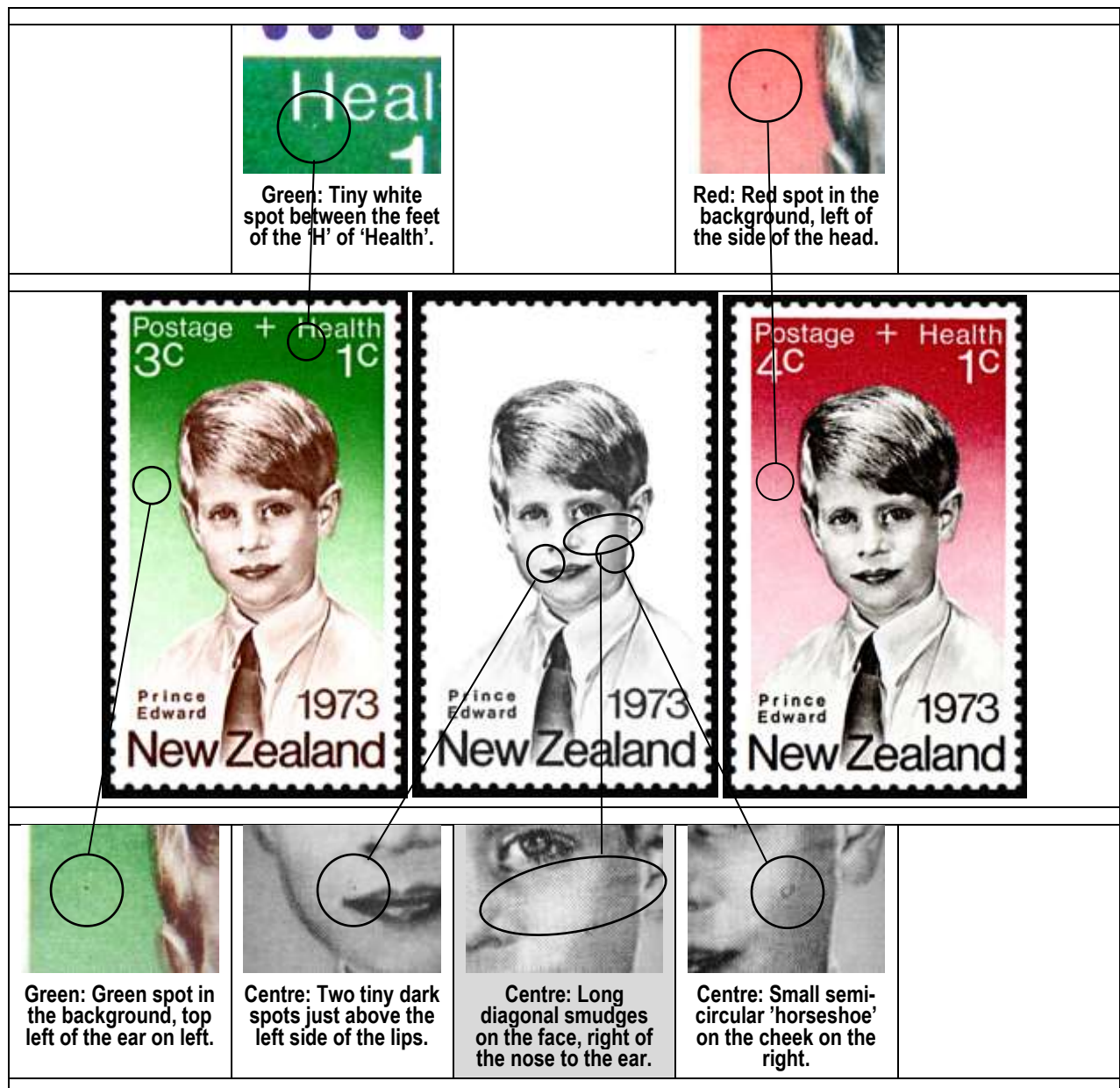


○	R1/10	Centre	Tiny white spot as a teardrop, below the eye on the left.	F G3	
○	R1/10	Centre	A mole, consisting of two dark spots, appears on the cheek, bottom right of the right end of the mouth.	H5	
○	R1/10	Centre	Tiny white spot on the shirt above the 'ce' of 'Prince', midway to the top of the shoulder.	J2	
○	R1/10	Green	White spot in the background, top left of the parting at the top of the head.	D2	
○	R1/10	Green	The point of green shading in the bottom left corner of the design by the shoulder on the left, is very faint, appears left of the 'P' of 'Prince'.	K1	
○	R1/10	Red	Tiny white spot just bottom right of the '+' symbol.	A4	
○	R1/10	Red	A line of three tiny white spots runs diagonally below the '4c', extending towards the ear on the left.	C1-D1	
○	R1/10	Red	Two tiny white spots appear in background, below the '1c'. One is bottom right of the '1', the other is bottom left.	C6-C7	
○	R1/10	Red	Tiny white spot top right of the tip of the ear on the right.	E7	

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Row 2/1 Variety Map

Whilst the long diagonal smudges on the side of the face are extensive, they are not prominent and may be overlooked. Instead look for the semi-circular horseshoe that appears on the right cheek.



○	R2/1	Centre	Two long diagonal smudges appear across the face. The upper scratch extends from the bridge of the nose to the ear on the right. The lower, parallel, scratch, starts from the centre of the upper lip, extending to the dark shading right side of the face.	F4-G6	✓
○	R2/1	Centre	Two tiny dark spots just above the left side of the upper lip.	G3	
○	R2/1	Centre	Very small round mark on the cheek on the right, level with the base of the ear on the right, appears as a horseshoe.	G5	
○	R2/1	Green	Tiny white spot between the feet of the 'H' of 'Health'.	A5	
○	R2/1	Green	Two tiny green spots in the background, top left of the ear on the left.	E1	
○	R2/1	Red	Tiny dark spot midway between the head and the left edge of the stamp.	E1	

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Row 2/2 Variety Map

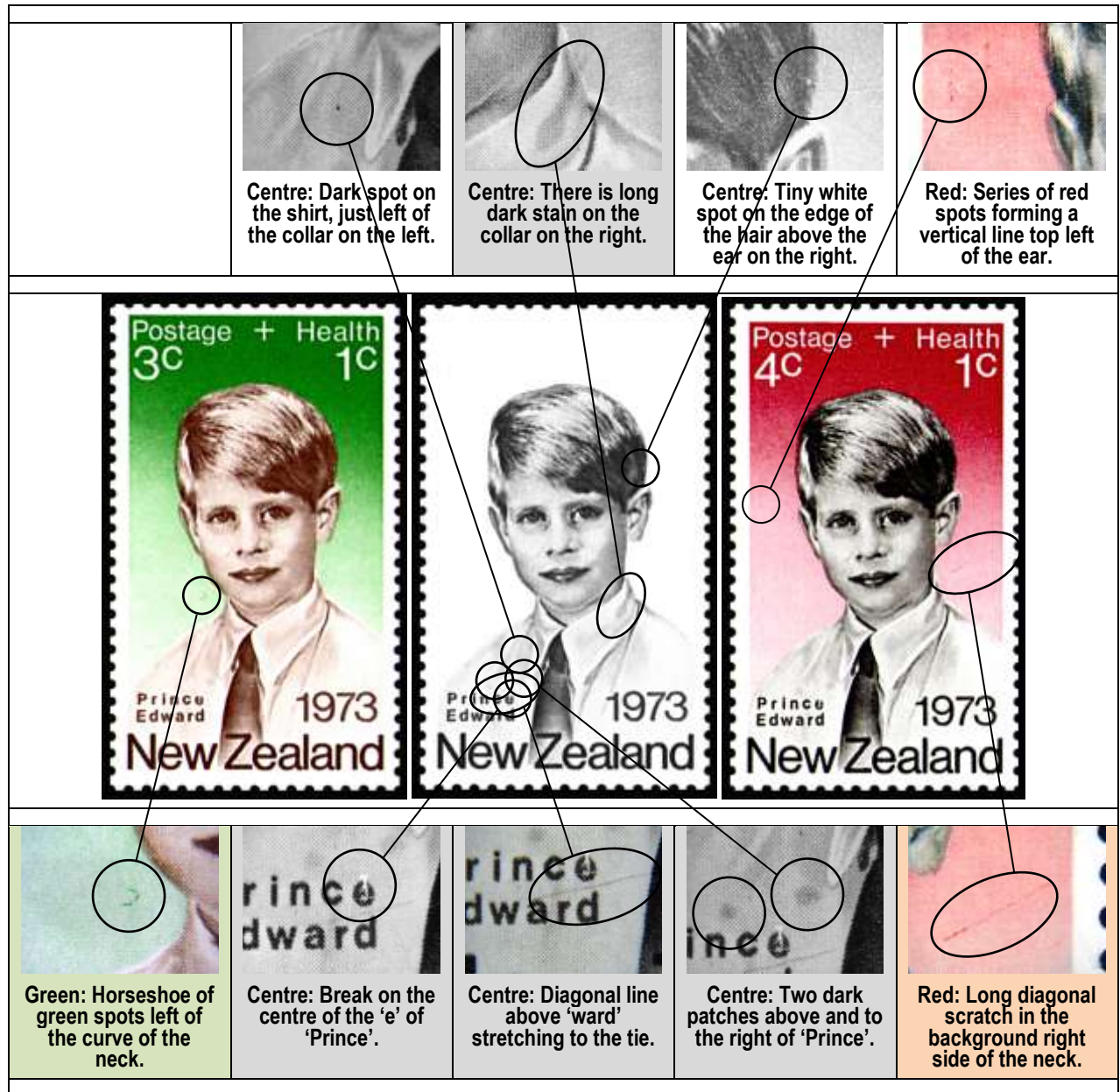
There are two white spots associated with the centre plate that will help identify this stamp position; one just into the hair above the nose; the other on the shirt, above the 'nc' of 'Prince'. The most obvious variety is in the green frame plate, as a small green spot in the right margin just above the level of the shoulder.



○	R2/2	Centre	Two close tiny white spots above the nose, one on the forehead, the second just into the hairline above.	E4	
○	R2/2	Centre	Tiny white spot, faint, above the 'nc' of 'Prince'.	K2	
○	R2/2	Centre	Tiny dark spot inside the oval of the 'd' of 'land', faint on the 3c+1c value.	M7	
○	R2/2	Green	Green spot in the right margin, level with the upper edge of the collar.	H8	✓
○	R2/2	Red	Dark spot in the background, right of the ear on the right.	F7	
○	R2/2	Red	Two joined tiny white spots in the background, right of the base of the ear on the right.	G7	

Row 2/3 Variety Map

There are many blemishes affecting 'Prince', above it and below it. The 'e' is broken; there is a diagonal dark line; and two stains on the shirt. There is also a large stain that affects the collar in the right.

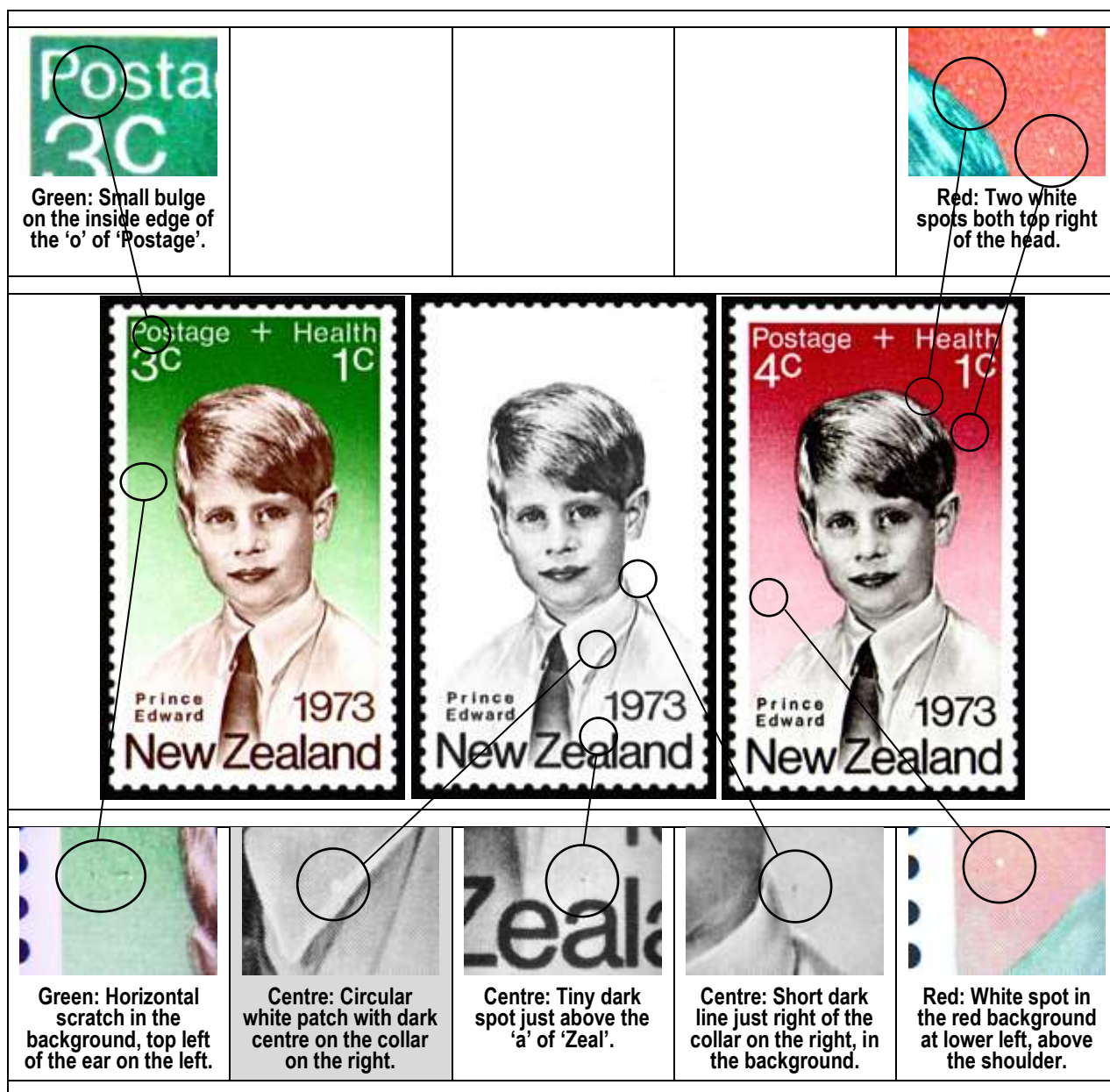


○	R2/3	Centre	Tiny white spot in the hair, in a light strand centre of the right side.	E6	
○	R2/3	Centre	Large dark area on the right side of the collar, extending a short way into the shading on the right side. This blends into the design and looks natural, and thereby may be overlooked.	I5-H6	✓
○	R2/3	Centre	Dark spot on the shirt, left of the collar.	J3	
○	R2/3	Centre	There is a thin diagonal line from the top of the 'a' of 'Edward', extending into the tie.	K L2	✓
○	R2/3	Centre	There is a stain on the shirt, above the 'nc' of 'Prince', this is faint. There is a similar patch top right of the 'e' of 'Prince'.	K2,K3	✓
○	R2/3	Centre	There is a break in the 'e' of 'Prince' where a white line cuts through the top of the letter.	K2 3	✓
○	R2/3	Green	Small green horseshoe in the background on the left of the neck.	H I 2 3	✓
○	R2/3	Red	Irregular line of red spots top left of the ear on the left.	E1	
○	R2/3	Red	Long diagonal scratch in the background, right of the neck, top right of the collar, extending towards but just short of the right edge of the stamp.	G6-G7	✓

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Row 2/4 Variety Map

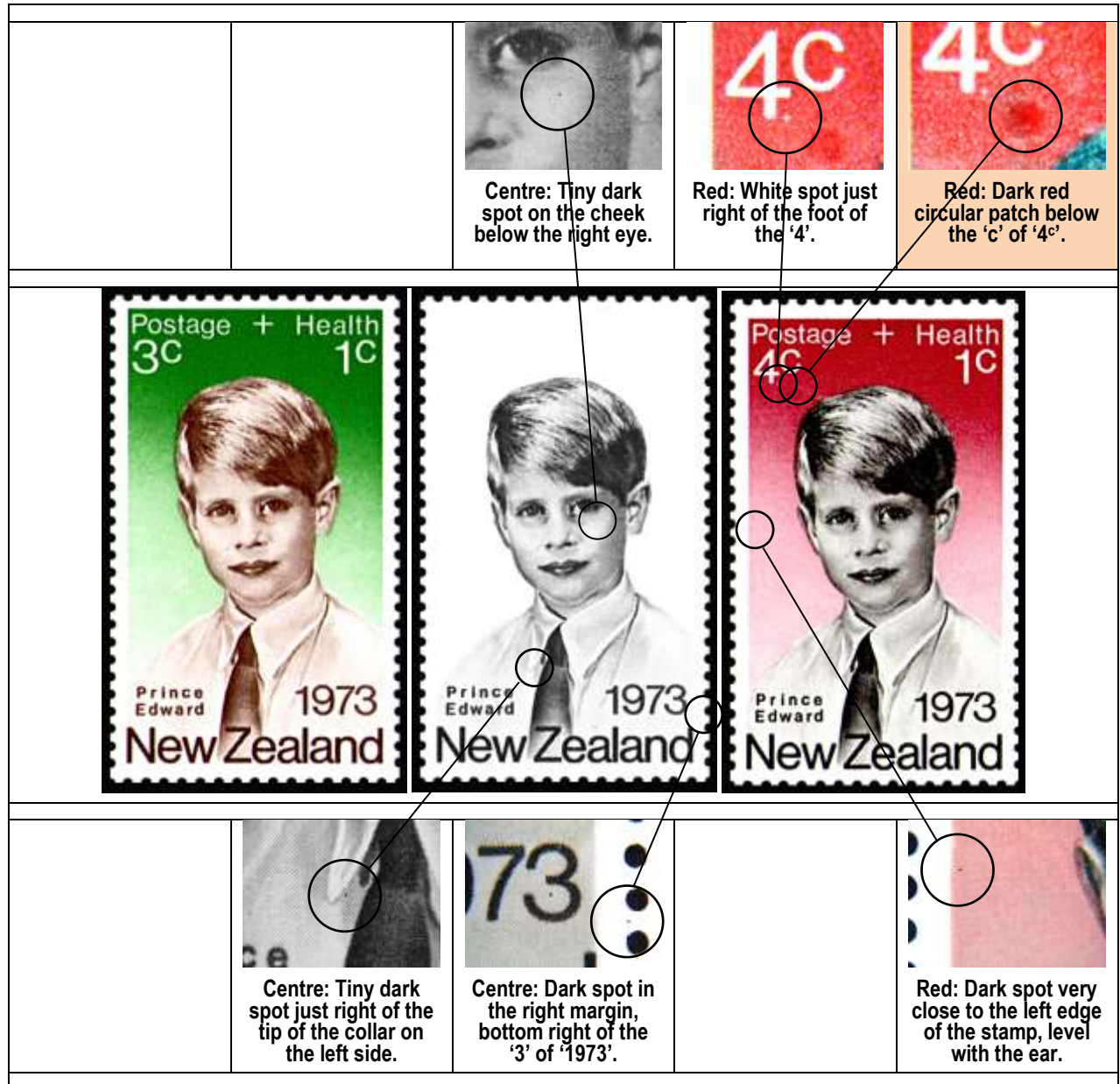
Look to the collar on the right, level with the knot of the tie, to see a white circular patch on its lower right edge. This white patch has a dark centre, a spot, too small to have absorbed the loss of colour around it.



○	R2/4	Centre	Small vertical scratch in the background, just right of the collar.	H6	
○	R2/4	Centre	White patch on the outer edge of the collar on the right, pointed to by the inner fold of the shirt.	J5	✓
○	R2/4	Centre	Tiny dark spot above the 'a' of 'Zeal'.	L5	
○	R2/4	Green	Small white spur from the inside left edge of the 'o' of 'Postage'.	A1	
○	R2/4	Green	Horizontal scratch in the background, left of the head, top left of the ear on the left.	E1	
○	R2/4	Red	Two tiny white spots in the background, just top right of the head.	C6,D7	
○	R2/4	Red	Tiny white spot near the left edge of the stamp, in the background at lower left, level with the top of the shoulder.	I1	

Row 2/5 Variety Map

The dark red patch below the '4c' is hard to see on some stamps where the red colour is already dark, and the images here have been lightened to show it. On the centre plate, the dark spot in the right margin, bottom right of '1973' may be cut off by the perforations, so look for the lone spot on the cheek, below the eye on the right.



○	R2/5	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the cheekbone on the right, below the right corner of the eye in the right.	F G5	
○	R2/5	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the tip of the lower point of the collar, on the left side.	J K3	
○	R2/5	Centre	Tiny dark spot in the right margin, bottom right of the '3' of '1973'. Likely to be cut off by the perforations.	L8	
○	R2/5	Red	Tiny white spot at the foot of the '4' of the value.	B1	
○	R2/5	Red	Patchy red area below the 'c' of '4c' and above the hairline, darker than the surrounding. Could be a large retouch.	C2	✓
○	R2/5	Red	Dark red spot on the left edge of the stamp, level with the eyes.	F1	

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Row 2/6 Variety Map

There is a pronounced curved green line in the background at left, level with the mouth, more than half way to the left edge of the stamp. The only notable flaw on the centre plate is the white spot that can be seen on the nostril on the right, where a dark screen dot is missing.

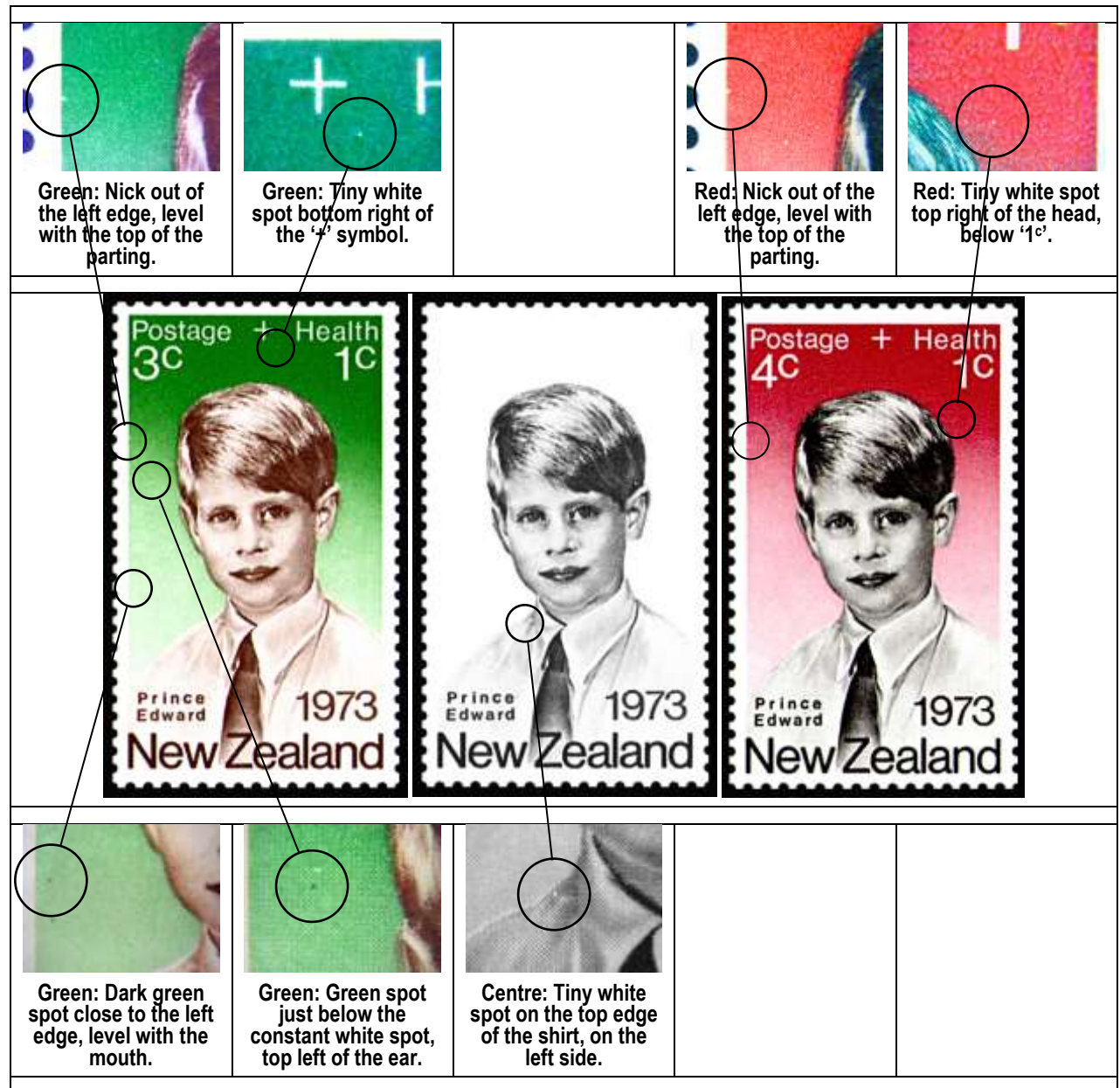


○	R2/6	Centre	Tiny white spot in the nostril on the right.	G4	
○	R2/6	Green	Small indent into the top frame line, above the 'h' of 'Health'.	A7	
○	R2/6	Green	Thin curved line in the background in the left, left of the base of the nose, midway to the left edge.	G1	✓
○	R2/6	Red	Tiny white spot in the background on the right, right of the earlobe, close to the right edge of the stamp.	G7	

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Row 2/7 Variety Map

It is interesting in that the green and red frame plates both show the same flaw at the same place in this stamp, as a nick out of the left edge of the stamp, level with the top of the parting in the hair. But there, the similarity ends.



○	R2/7	Centre	Tiny white spot in the shirt at the top, next to the collar on the left.	I3	
○	R2/7	Green	Tiny white spot bottom right of the '+' symbol.	A5	
○	R2/7	Green	Tiny green spot just below the constant white spot in the background in the left, top left of the ear.	E1	
○	R2/7	Green	Two tiny green spots arranged vertically, next to the left edge, level with the top and bottom of the mouth.	G1,H1	
○	R2/7	Red	Tiny white spot in the background at top right, bottom left of the '1c'.	C6	
○	R2/7	Red	Tiny white spot on the left edge, left of the hair, at the top of the parting.	D1	

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Row 2/8 Variety Map

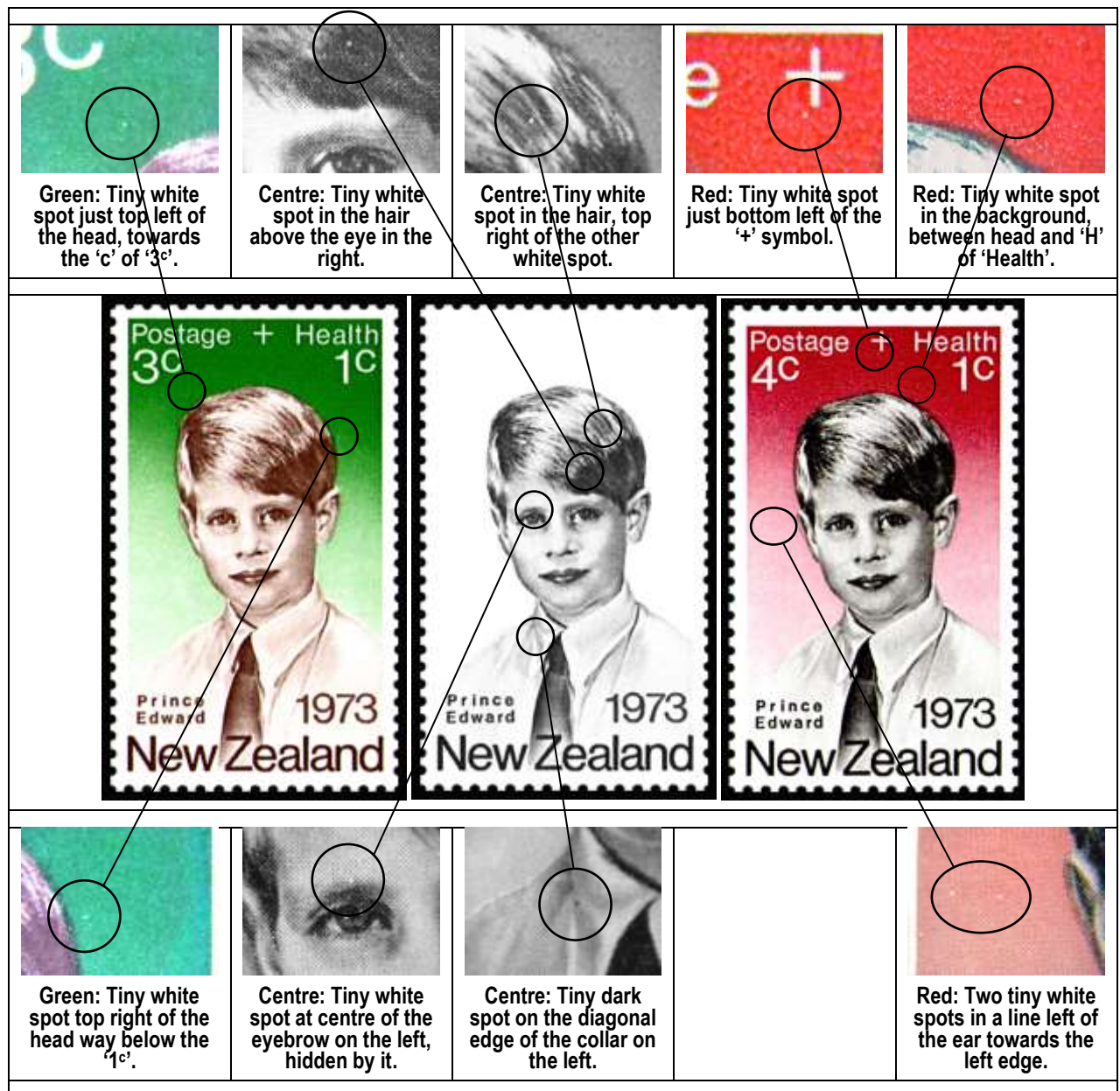
On the centre plate, look for the small dark spot that appears on the face just bottom left of the nostril on the left. It is easier to locate than the larger, but more hidden, short horizontal line on the top of the shoulder on the left.



○	R2/8	Centre	Tiny dark spot bottom left of the nostril on the left.	G3	
○	R2/8	Centre	Short dark dash at the top of the shoulder on the left.	I3	
○	R2/8	Centre	Two tiny dark spots close to the top of the shoulder on the right.	J6-J7	
○	R2/8	Green	Tiny white spot in the background on the left, left of the ear.	F G1	
○	R2/8	Red	Tiny white spot between the 'a' of 'Health' and the '1' of '1c'.	A6	
○	R2/8	Red	Tiny white spot adjacent to the hair at top right, vertically above the ear.	D6	

Row 2/9 Variety Map

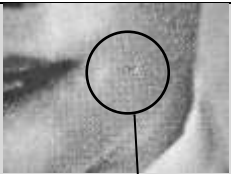
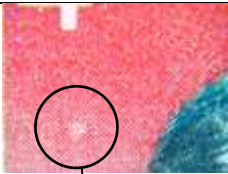
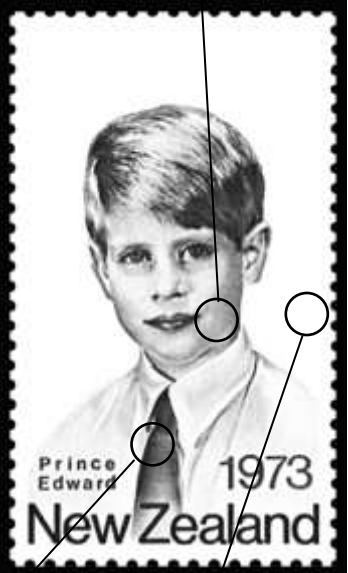
On the centre plate there are two white spots on the hair, and so have many other stamps. So, look for the white spot that appears at the centre of the eyebrow on the left. It is harder to locate but is unique.



○	R2/9	Centre	Tiny white spot in the hair, in the top right quadrant, below the 'H' of 'Health'.	D5	
○	R2/9	Centre	Tiny white spot in the hair above the eye on the right.	E5	
○	R2/9	Centre	Tiny white spot at the centre of the eyebrow on the left.	F3	
○	R2/9	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the outer edge of the collar on the left.	I/J3	
○	R2/9	Green	Tiny white spot in the background at top left, bottom right of the 'c' of '3c'.	C2	
○	R2/9	Green	Tiny white spot just to the top right of the hair, below the '1' of '1c'.	D6	
○	R2/9	Red	Tiny white spot left of the foot of the '+' symbol.	A4	
○	R2/9	Red	Tiny white spot adjacent to the top of the head, below the 'H' of 'Health'.	B/C5	
○	R2/9	Red	Two tiny white spots arranged horizontally, between the ear on the left and the left edge of the stamp.	F1	

Row 2/10 Variety Map

Look to the centre plate and the white patch with a dark centre, as a mole on the cheek on the right. This is quite prominent. On the green plate, there are blemishes that form a broken vertical line in the background top left of the ear on the left.

				
		Centre: Tiny white spot on the cheek, right of the mouth.	Red: Light circular patch below the '4' of '4c', that could be a small retouch.	
				
				
Green: Broken vertical line of green spots, top left of the ear on the left.	Centre: Tiny white spot on the tie, below the knot, biased to the left side.	Centre: Dark spot in the background, above the shoulder on the right.		

○	R2/10	Centre	Dark spot on the cheek on the right, surrounded by a white patch, right of the mouth.	H5	✓
○	R2/10	Centre	Dark spot in the background on the right, right of the collar, close to the right edge of the stamp.	H7	
○	R2/10	Centre	Tiny white spot on the tie, left side, below the knot.	K4	
○	R2/10	Green	Vertical line of green spots left of the ear on the left, running for about 2mm.	E1-F1	✓
○	R2/10	Red	Retouch (?) as a disturbance in the background, left of the head, 3mm below the '4' of '4c'.	C1	

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Row 3/1 Variety Map

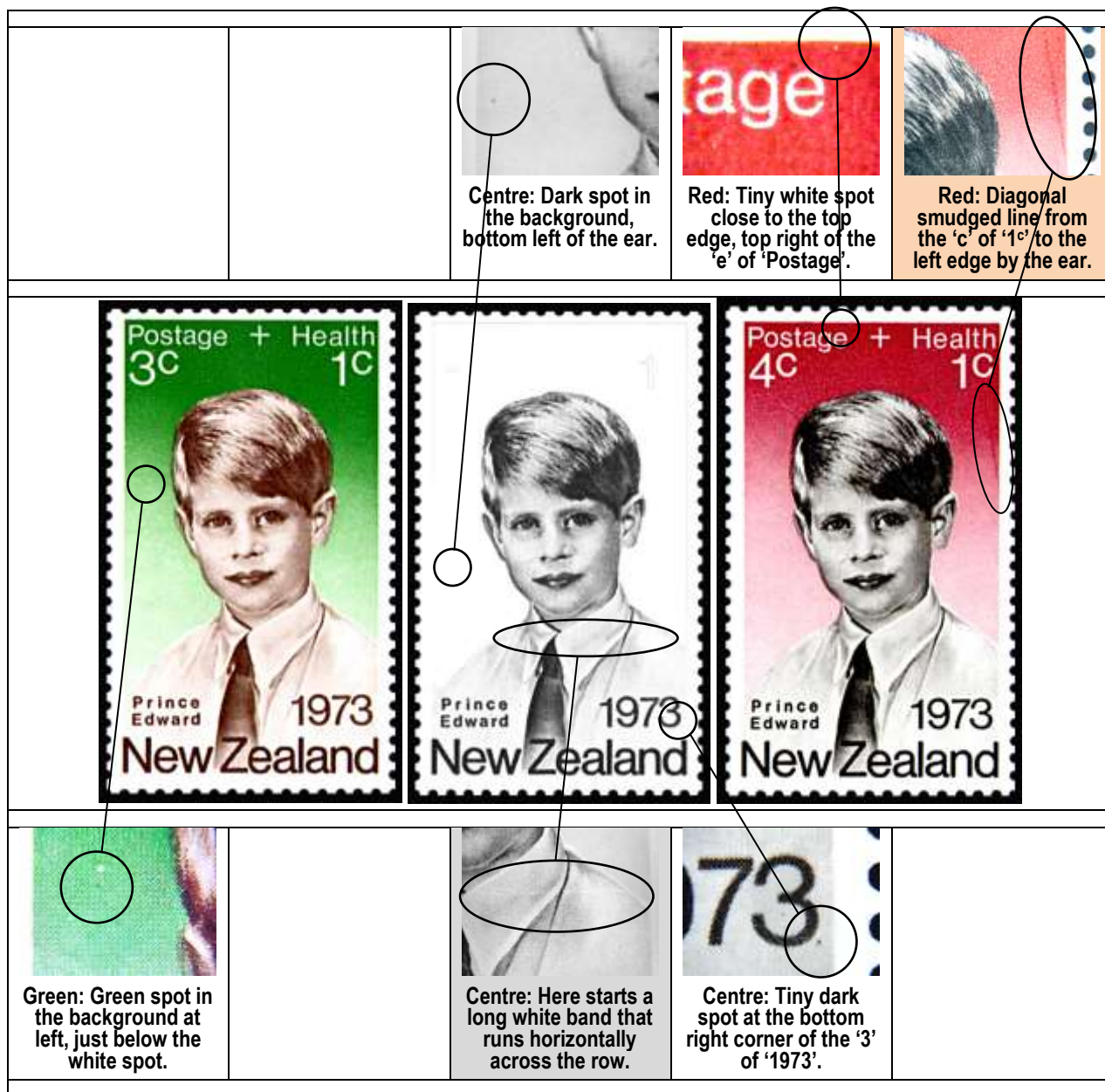
There are two varieties that affect the centre plate that are found close together on the nose. There is a white spot, missing screen dot, on the right side of the nose; and just above and to the left a dark spot sits between the eyes. These are small



○	R3/1	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the bridge of the nose, biased towards the left side.	F4	
○	R3/1	Centre	Tiny white spot between the eye and the nostril on the right.	F4	
○	R3/1	Centre	Tiny dark spot near the top edge of the shirt, above the '3' of '1973'.	J7	
○	R3/1	Green	Green spot as an earring, adjacent to the earlobe on the right.	G6	
○	R3/1	Red	Tiny white spot at the right foot of the 'H' of 'Health'.	A6	
○	R3/1	Red	Tiny white spot in the background on the left, opposite the top of the ear, close to the left edge.	F1	

Row 3/2 Variety Map

On the red plate, there is a near vertical line on the right side of the head, running close to the right edge. It only becomes visible when the background lightens. A horizontal fuzzy light band runs through the shirt and collar of most stamps in this row. It starts here and continues right. It is hard to see on the 3c+1c but is quite visible on the darker, black, of the 4c+1c.



○	R3/2	Centre	Dark spot in the background, near the left edge, level with the mouth.	H1	
○	R3/2	Centre	Long horizontal white scratch across the chest, from the left shoulder, through the top of the knot of the tie, across the shoulder on the right, to the right edge. This is seen best at its centre, in black on the 4c+1c, that gives the effect of a creased stamp.	I3-I7	✓
○	R3/2	Centre	Full stop after the '3' of '1973'.	L8	
○	R3/2	Green	Tiny green spot top left of the ear on the left, midway to the left edge, just below the constant white spot.	E1	
○	R3/2	Red	White spot near the top edge of the stamp, top right of the 'e' of 'Postage'.	A3 4	
○	R3/2	Red	Long, diagonal scratch through the background on the right, starting from the 'c' of '1c', running to the right edge of the top of the ear. This is not a doctor blade line, as these are nearly always true vertical, and this is constant.	B7-E8	✓

Row 3/3 Variety Map

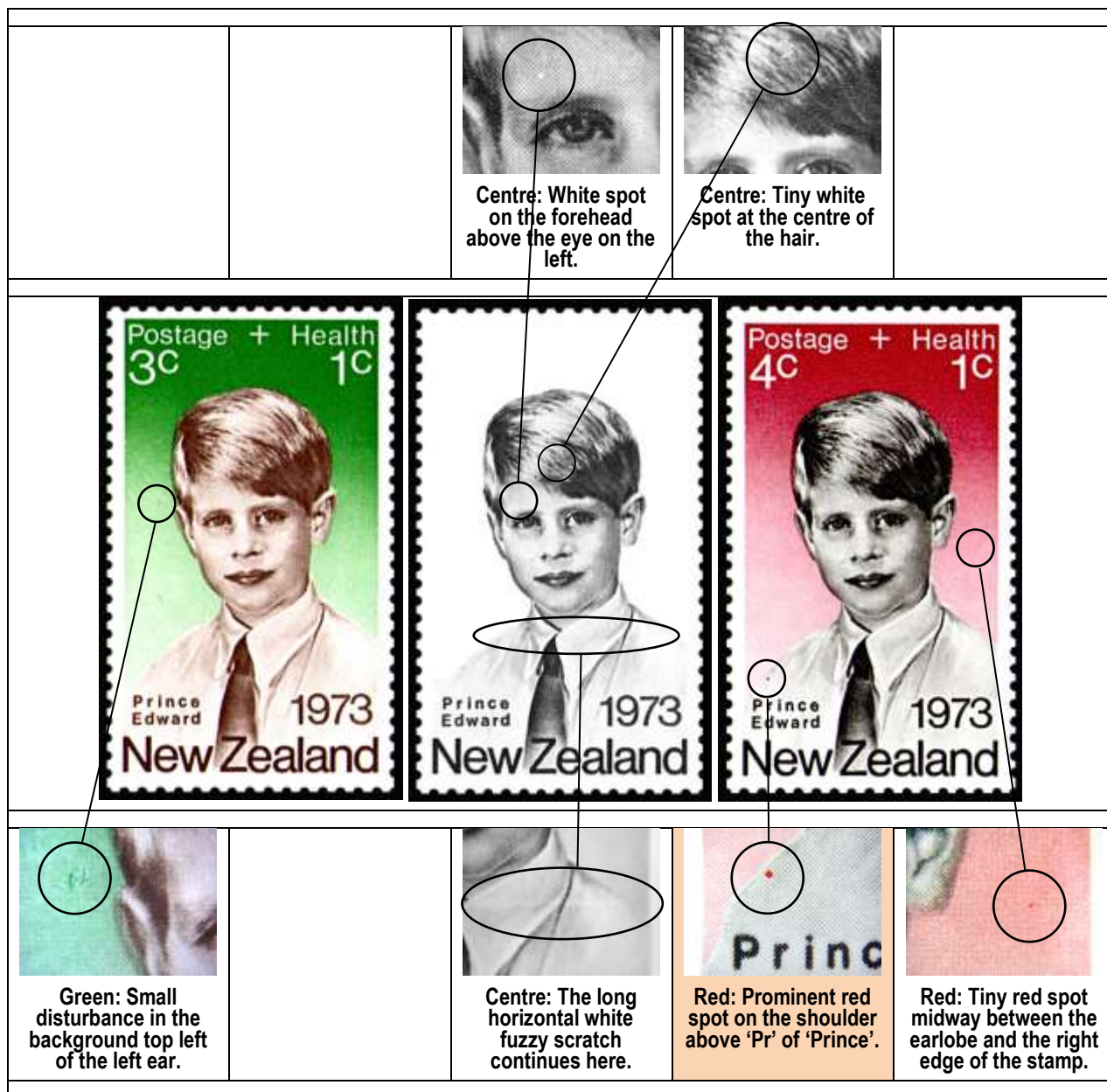
Although there is a plethora of small varieties that affect the centre plate, none are significant. Yet they can help plate this stamp because of sheer numbers of white or dark spots. The long light scratch running through the shirt is hidden for the moment, it is still there, but only because you know where to find it, otherwise it is silent.



○	R3/3	Centre	Tiny white spot lost in the light horizontal patch on the hair, near the top, above centre.	C4	
○	R3/3	Centre	Tiny white spot on the cheek, just right of the ear on the left.	G3	
○	R3/3	Centre	Mole on the chin, near the bottom right edge of the face.	H4	
○	R3/3	Centre	Tiny white spot just below the centre of the mouth.	H4	
○	R3/3	Centre	Tiny white spot on the tie, above the 'e' of 'Zeal'.	L4	
○	R3/3	Centre	Tiny dark spot just in front of the '1' of '1973'.	L5	
○	R3/3	Green	Green spot on the shirt, right of the 'e' of 'Prince', left of the tie.	K3	
○	R3/3	Red	Tiny white spot in the background on the right, top right of the ear.	E7	

Row 3/4 Variety Map

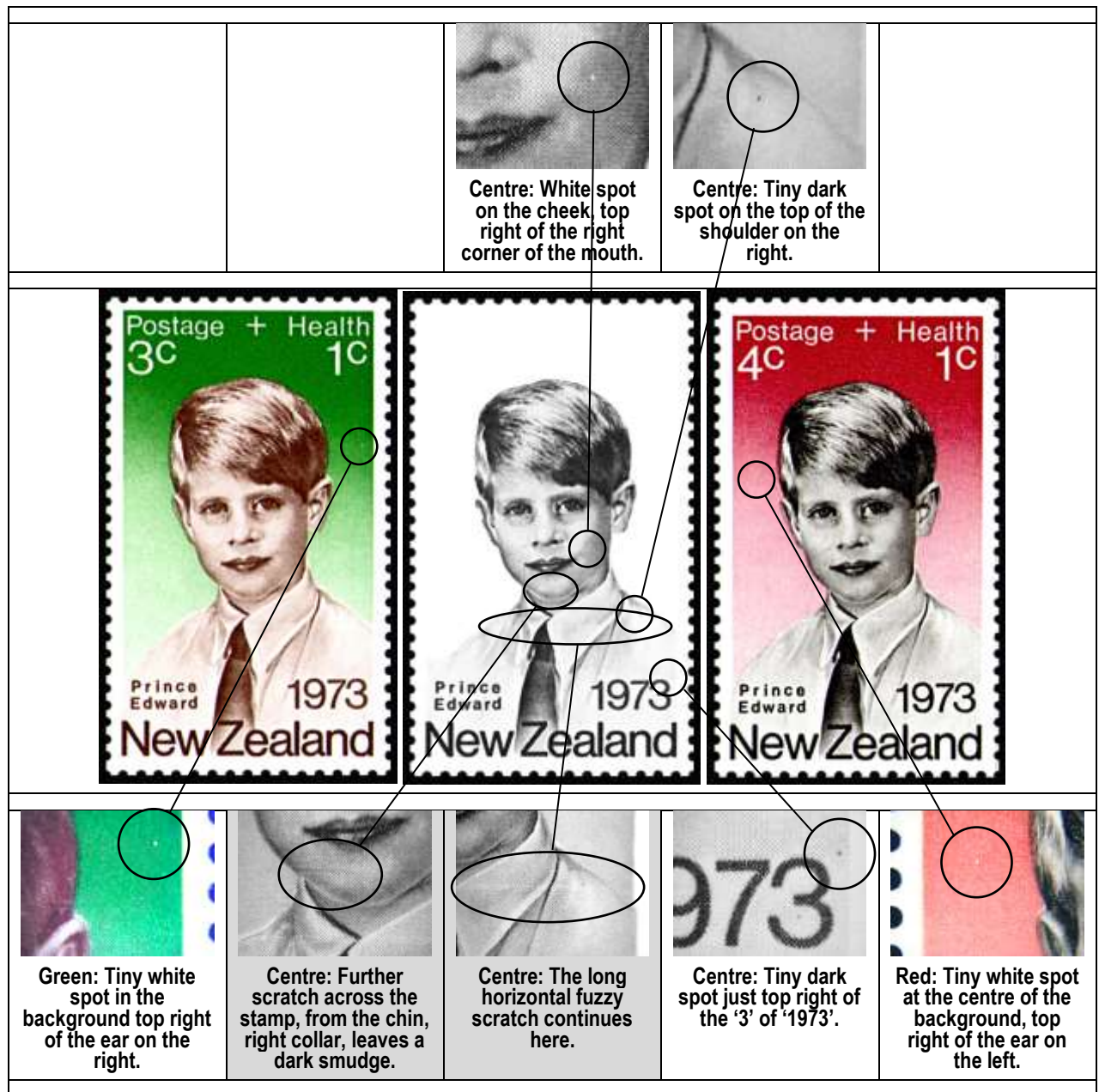
On the centre plate, the long fuzzy light scratch resurfaces, best seen on the right side of the shirt, but it cannot be used to identify which stamp on this row it belongs to. Look to the white spot over the eye on the left to confirm. On the red 4c+1c, there is a very prominent red spot on the shoulder on the left, which gives the impression that it is too big for it to be constant, but it is.



○	R3/4	Centre	Tiny white spot at the centre of the hair, above the nose.	D4	
○	R3/4	Centre	Tiny white spot on the temple, above the eye on the left.	F3	
○	R3/4	Centre	The scratch across the top of the shirt on the stamp at row 3/3 can be seen here especially on the right hand side, but to a lesser extent. Barely noticeable.	I3-I7	
○	R3/4	Green	Small disturbance in the background on the left, just to the top left of the ear, appearing as two short vertical lines at this point.	F1-F2	
○	R3/4	Red	Red spot in the background on the right, level with the lobe of the ear, midway to the right edge.	G7	
○	R3/4	Red	Prominent red spot on the shoulder on the left, above the 'Pr' of 'Prince'.	J1	✓

Row 3/5 Variety Map

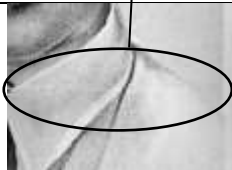
Here, the long white fuzzy scratch continues but is more prominent than those stamps on the left of this, still not unique enough to identify this plate ;position without help. There is also a further scratch, slightly higher, but this leaves a dark path. There is a prominent white spot on the cheek on the right that will help.



○	R3/5	Centre	Tiny white spot on the cheek on the right, just into the dark shading, on a level between the mouth and nose.	G5	
○	R3/5	Centre	There is a further horizontal scratch, faint, emerging from the base of the chin, through the collar on the right, where in the black centre of the 4c+1c stamp, it leaves a horizontal dark smudge.	H3-H6	✓
○	R3/5	Centre	The scratch on the shirt and collar as seen here is more prominent than that of row 3/4, as it continues across the width of the stamp.	I3-I7	✓
○	R3/5	Centre	Dark spot near the top of the shoulder on the right, way above the '7' of '1973'.	I6 7	
○	R3/5	Centre	Dark spot just top right of the '3' of '1973'.	K8	
○	R3/5	Green	White spot right of the head, 1mm from the right edge of the stamp, top right of the ear.	E7	
○	R3/5	Red	White spot in the background, left of the head, top left of the ear, midway between the hair and the left edge.	E1	

Row 3/6 Variety Map

There is nothing of merit that affects this stamp, not even the long fuzzy scratch will help, if it can be seen at all here. On the red plate, there are two white spots at top right; one below the 'e' of 'Health', the other below the '1c', but that will not help with the green stamp. So, look for the dark spot right of 'Edward' midway to the tie.

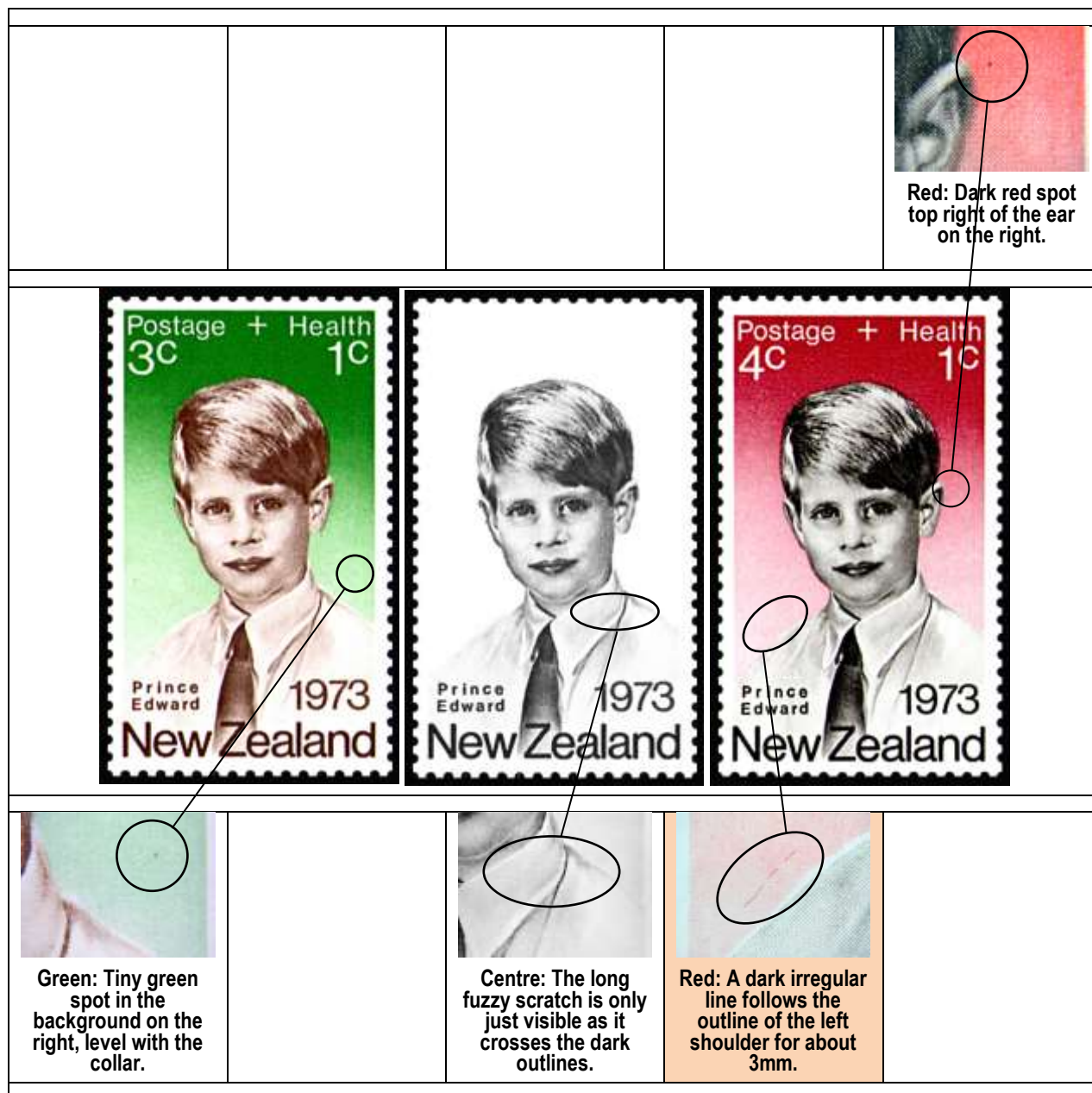
			 Red: White spot just bottom right of the 'e' of 'Health'.	 Red: White spot bottom right of the foot of the '1' of '1c'.
				
	 Centre: Dark spot midway between the last 'd' of 'Edward' and the tie.	 Centre: the long horizontal scratch across the shirt is almost invisible.	 Red: Two tiny white spots at the centre of the background left of the ear.	

○	R3/6	Centre	The horizontal scratch at the top of the shirt and collar is almost invisible, only seen faintly on the examples with black centre, 4c+1c.	I3-I7	
○	R3/6	Centre	Tiny dark spot right of the last 'd' of 'Edward', midway to the tie.	L3	
○	R3/6	Red	Tiny white spot bottom right of the 'e' of 'Health'.	A6	
○	R3/6	Red	Tiny white spot bottom right of the '1' of the value '1c'.	B C7	
○	R3/6	Red	Two tiny white spots left of the ear on the left, arranged diagonally, midway to the left edge.	F G1	

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Row 3/7 Variety Map

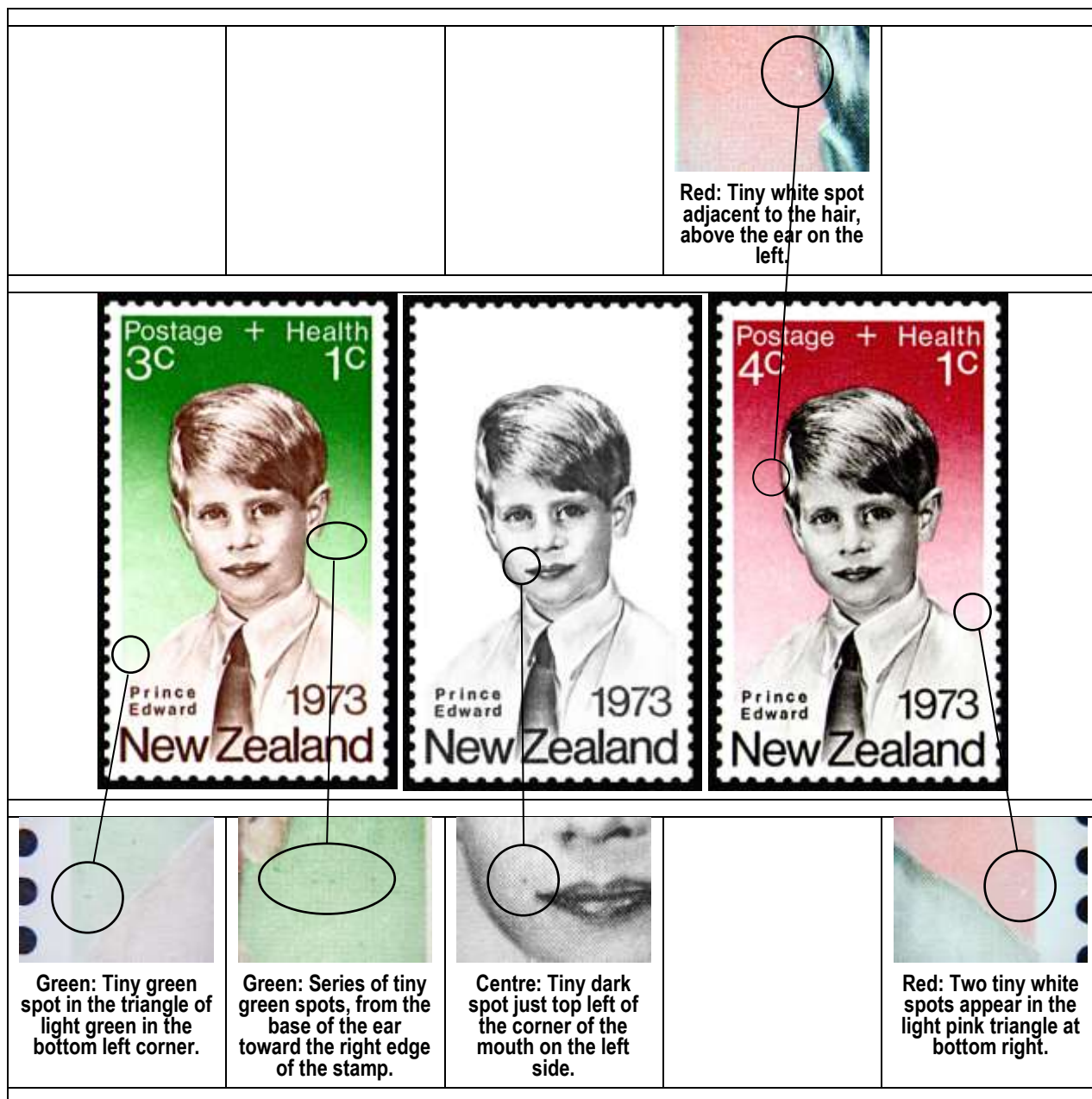
There are few varieties here that will help identify both green and red stamps. There is an interesting variety that affects the 4c+1c red stamp in the form of an irregular line seen just above the shoulder on the left, that follows the outline of the shoulder. On the centre plate, the long fuzzy scratch is only seen where it crosses dark outlines making them lighter.



○	R3/7	Centre	The only trace of the horizontal scratch through the top of the shirt and collar is where it crosses the dark outlines of the shirt, which leaves those lines lighter, almost broken. .	I3-I7	
○	R3/7	Green	Tiny dark green spots are seen in the background on the right, between the collar and the right edge.	H7	
○	R3/7	Red	Tiny red spot just right of the top of the ear on the right.	E7	
○	R3/7	Red	Faint diagonal scratch following the outline of the shoulder on the left, for some 3mm, midway along the width of the shoulder.	J1-I2	✓

Row 3/8 Variety Map

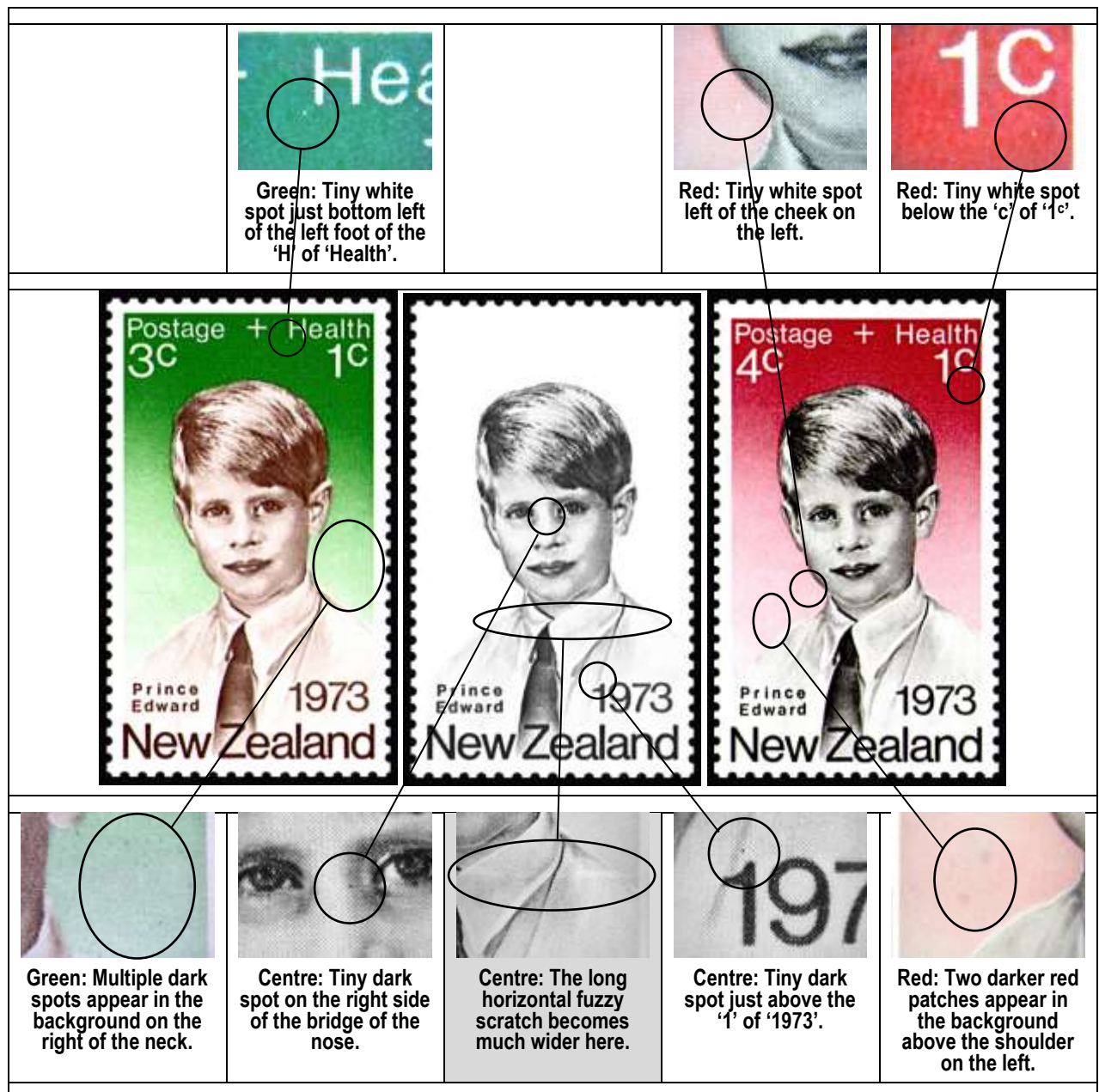
Look for the tiny dark spot that appears to the top left from the corner of the mouth on the left side. This is small, but will help plate this stamp, as there is not a lot else to use. On the green plate, there is a series of green spots in the background, in an irregular line, leading from the ear on the right towards the right edge of the stamp.



○	R3/8	Centre	Small dark spot just above the left end of the mouth.	GJH3	
○	R3/8	Green	Series of dark green spots in a rough diagonal line across from the ear on the right, to the right edge of the stamp.	G6-G7	
○	R3/8	Green	Tiny green spot in the background, in the triangle of the green at lower left, by the shoulder.	J1	
○	R3/8	Red	Tiny white spot adjacent to the hair on the left, above the ear.	E2	
○	R3/8	Red	Two tiny white spots in the background on the right, in the triangle of pink above the shoulder.	I7-I8	

Row 3/9 Variety Map

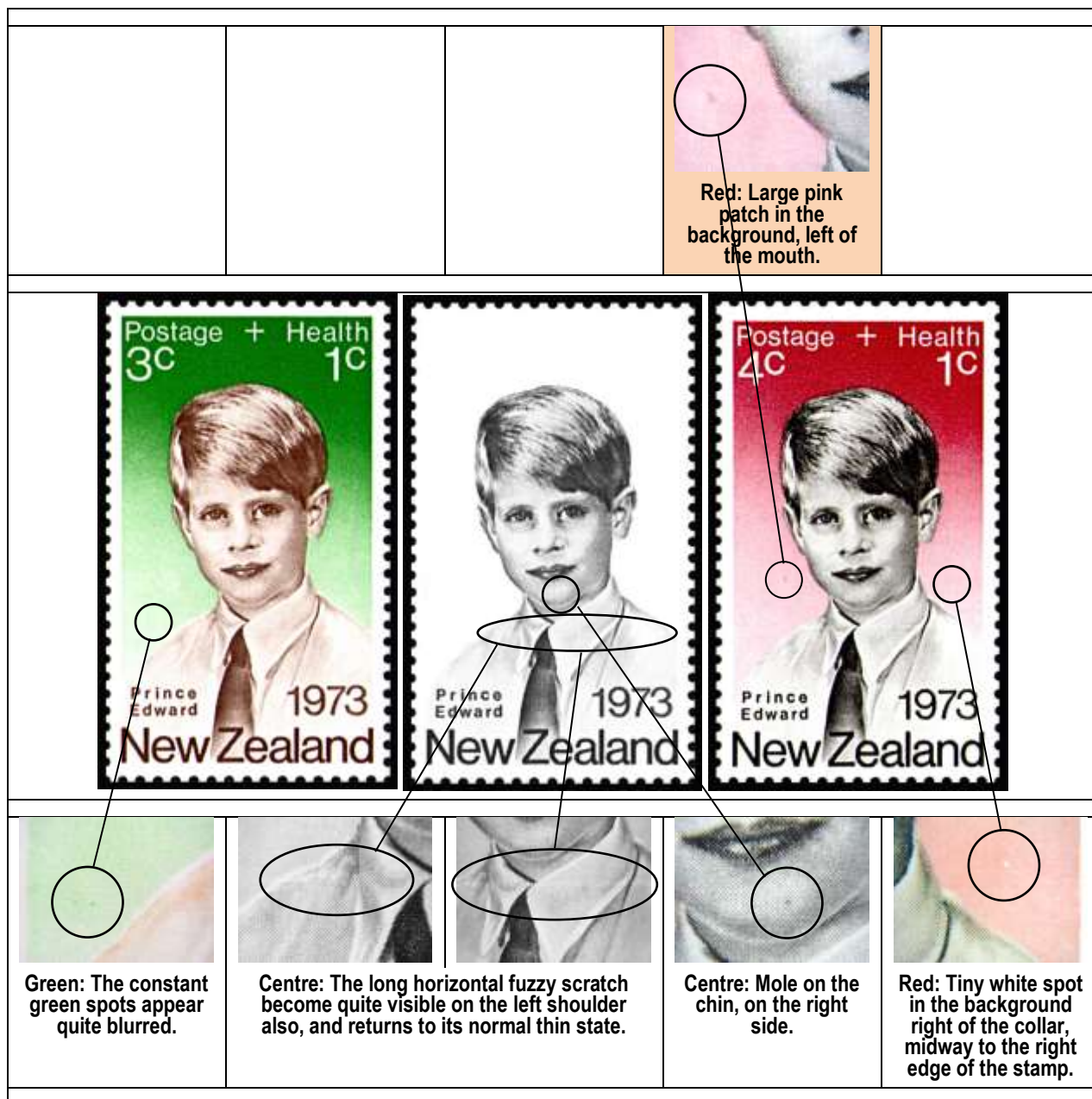
Look to the horizontal fuzzy scratch that becomes much more visible and wider on this stamp. The tiny dark spot on the right side of the bridge of the nose will help confirm this plate position.



○	R3/9	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the right side of the bridge of the nose.	F4	
○	R3/9	Centre	The horizontal scratch returns to affect the shoulder and collar on the right, where the screen dots are disturbed, creating a lighter band 0.5mm wide at the right end of the shoulder. Seen best in the black of the 4c+1c.	I3-I7	✓
○	R3/9	Centre	Dark spot above the '1' of '1973'.	K5	
○	R3/9	Green	Tiny white spot bottom left of the left foot of the 'H' of 'Health'.	A5	
○	R3/9	Green	Multiple green spots in the background on the lower right side, right of the neck.	G6-H7	
○	R3/9	Red	Tiny white spot 2mm below the 'c' of '1c'.	B7	
○	R3/9	Red	Two fuzzy pink patches in the background shading in the bottom left corner pink triangle, above the left shoulder.	H2, I2	
○	R3/9	Red	Tiny white spot adjacent to the lower edge of the chin, on the left side.	H3	

Row 3/10 Variety Map

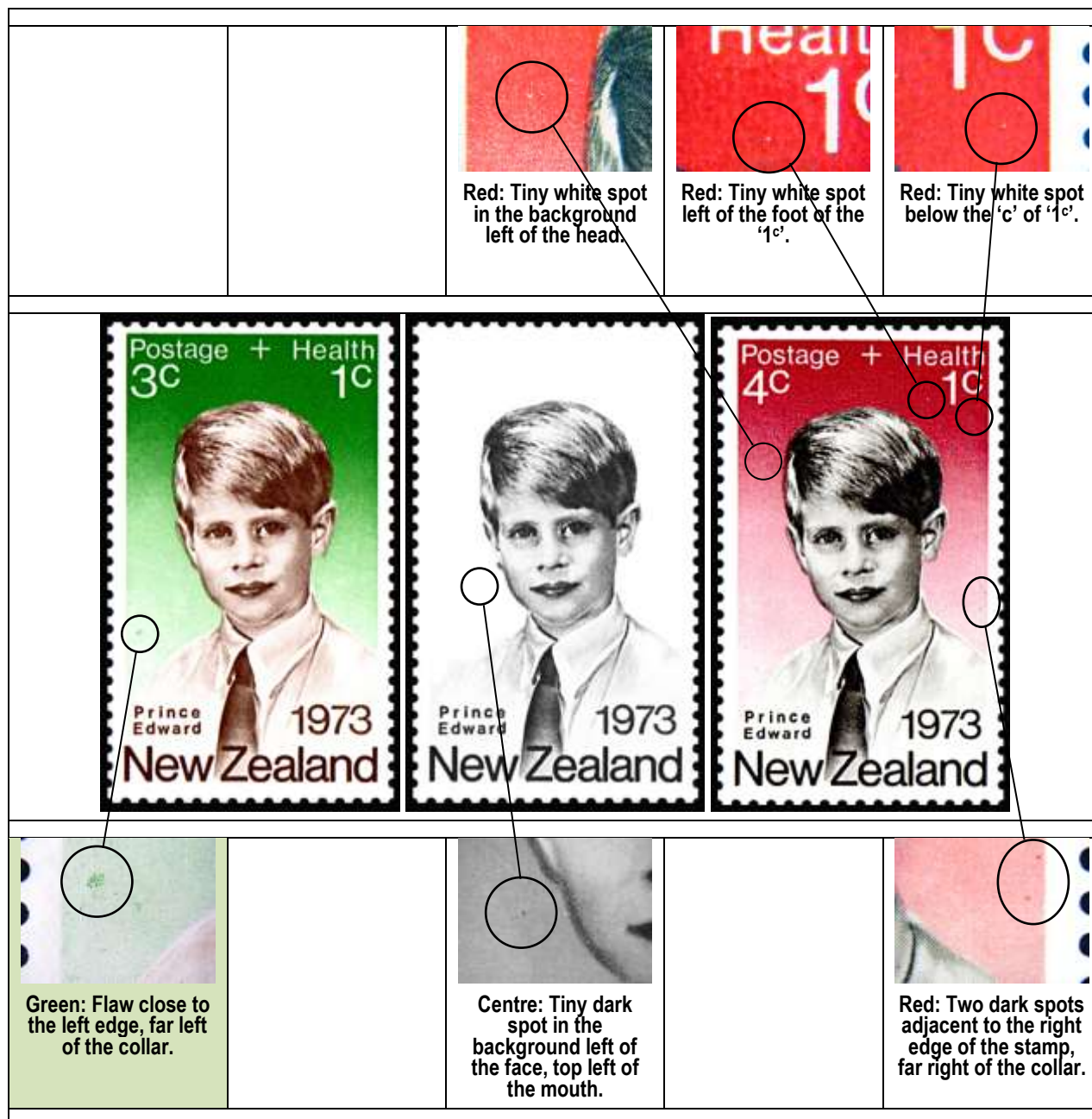
Here, the mole of the right side of the chin will help identify this stamp. The long fuzzy scratch through the shirt now become more prominent on the 3c+1c brown colour where it is much more visible on the left shoulder. An interesting dark pink patch appears on the 4c+1c stamp left of the mouth, perhaps it is a retouch to a flaw at this point.



○	R3/10	Centre	There is a mole on the chin on the right side.	H4	
○	R3/10	Centre	The horizontal scratch continues to cross the top of the shirt and collar on both sides. The line is again thin. Seen best on the 3c+1c brown colour.	I3-I7	
○	R3/10	Green	The constant green spots above the shoulder on the left are blurred, as if an attempt has been made to remove them.	J1	
○	R3/10	Red	Large pink patch left of the mouth, in the background on the left, 2.5mm from the face.	H1 2	✓
○	R3/10	Red	Prominent white spot in the background on the right, midway between the collar and the right edge.	H7	

Row 4/1 Variety Map

This stamp has, perhaps, the closest to a retouch found in this issue. It affects the green plate where a series of short crossed lines appear in the background on the left side, close to the left edge, far left of the collar. Varieties on the red plate are no help as they are not unique, so, look for a stranded spot of colour of the centre plate that appears in the background left of the face.

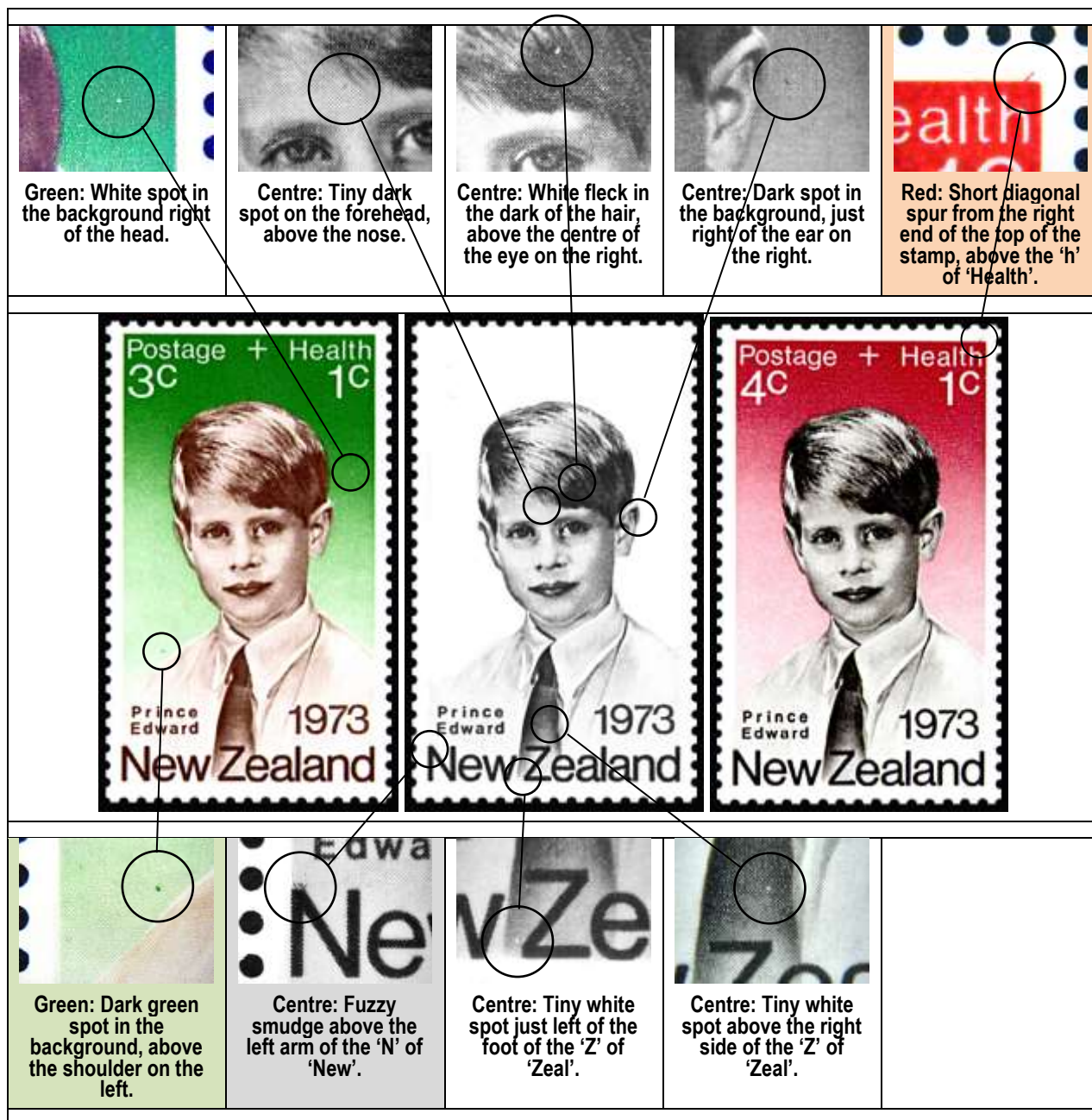


○	R4/1	Centre	Tiny dark spot in the background on the left side, 1.5mm left of the cheek, level with the base of the nose.	G H2	
○	R4/1	Green	Appears as a retouch to a flaw in the green background on the left, left of the top of the collar, directly above the 'P' of 'Prince'. There are many small green spots in the area surrounding a 1mm patch of tiny crossed lines.	I1	✓
○	R4/1	Red	Tiny white spots below the 'He' of 'Health'.	B6	
○	R4/1	Red	Tiny white spot 2mm left of the foot of the '1' of '1c'.	C7	
○	R4/1	Red	Tiny white spot in the background on the left side, midway between the head and the left edge, level with the top of the parting.	D1	
○	R4/1	Red	Two tiny red spots near the right edge of the stamp, just above the shoulder on the right.	H7, I7	

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Row 4/2 Variety Map

There are many clues to the position of this stamp. Look to the top edge of the red 4c+1c stamp, at the right end, to see a short red spur extending upwards. On the green 3c+1c stamp a dark green spot in the background above the shoulder on the left, is easy to spot.

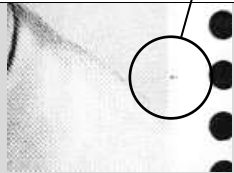


○	R4/2	Centre	Tiny dark spot just below the hairline, by the nose.	E4	
○	R4/2	Centre	White spot in the hair above the eye on the right, 2mm into the dark shading.	E5	
○	R4/2	Centre	Tiny dark spot 1mm right of the ear in the right. Best seen against the green background.	F7	
○	R4/2	Centre	Line of spots as a smudge, above the left leg of the 'N' of 'New'	L1	✓
○	R4/2	Centre	Tiny white spot on the tie, 2mm above the right side of the 'Z' of 'Zeal'.	L4	
○	R4/2	Centre	Tiny white spot on the tie, left of the foot of the 'Z' of 'Zeal'.	M3	
○	R4/2	Green	Tiny white spot in the background on the right, midway between the hairline and the right edge.	D E7	
○	R4/2	Green	Green spot adjacent to the edge of the shoulder on the left.	I2	✓
○	R4/2	Red	Spur from the upper right corner of the stamp into the margin, extending horizontally by 0.5mm.	-A7	✓

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Row 4/3 Variety Map

Only one variety can be used to identify both 3c+1c and 4c+1c stamps and that is reliant upon the presence of a small dark spot that sits just into the right margin, top right of the end of the shoulder. This is small, but there is no other mark to interfere in the finding of it.

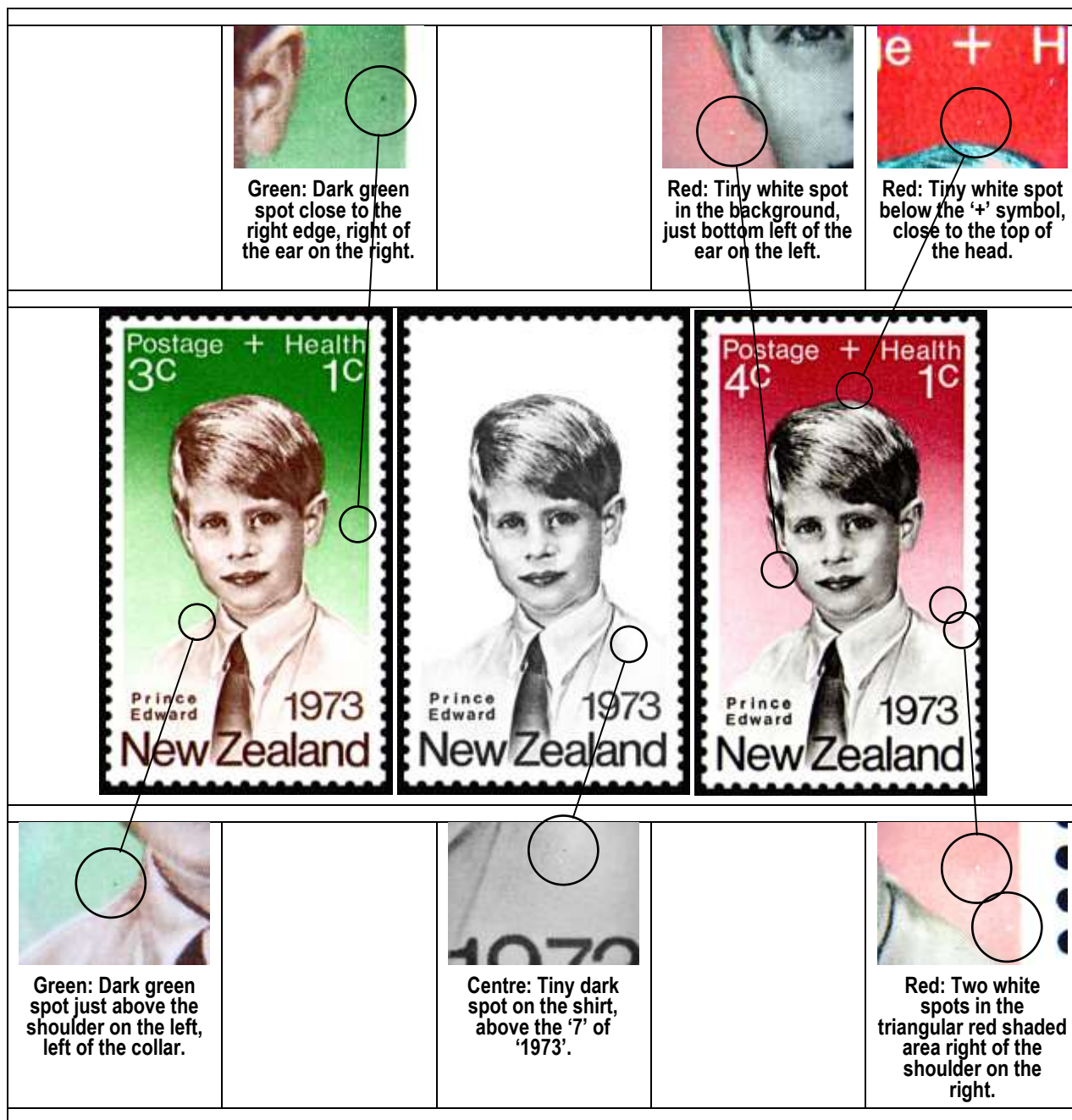
			 Red: White spot in the background above the hairline, bottom right of the 'c' of '4c'.	
				
		 Centre: Tiny dark spot in the right margin, just top right of the end of the shoulder.		

○	R4/3	Centre	Small dark spur from the right edge of the stamp into the margin, 1.5mm up from the right edge of the right shoulder.	I8	✓
○	R4/3	Red	Tiny white spot 3mm below the 'g' of 'Postage'.	B3	

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Row 4/4 Variety Map

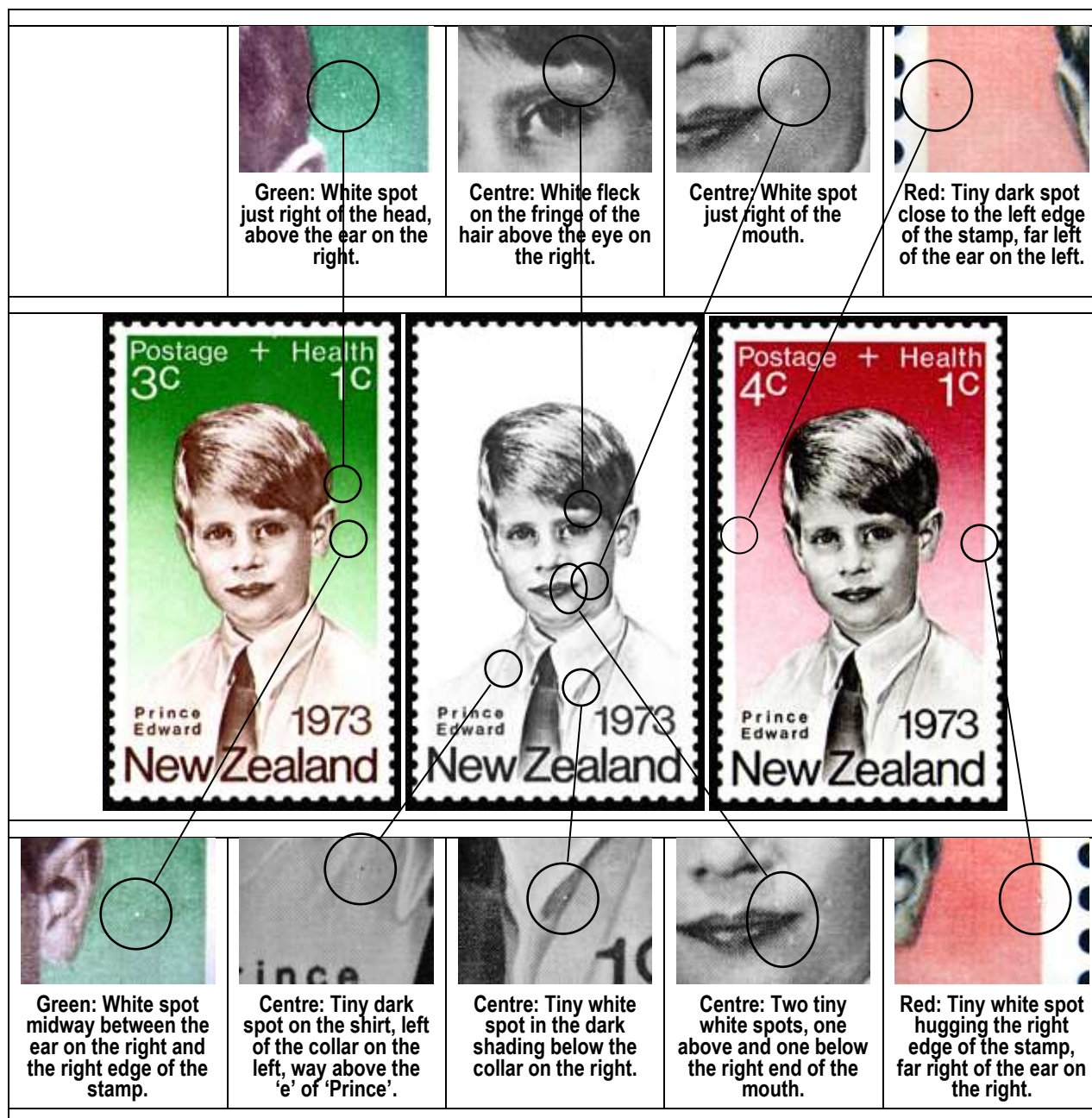
The centre plate has little to offer here that is unique. The collector will have to identify both 3c+1c and 4c+1c stamps individually, but that is relatively easy. On the 3c+1c green, look for the dark green spot left of the collar above the shoulder. On the red 4c+1c there are two relatively large white spots in the triangular shaded area right of the shoulder on the right.



○	R4/4	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the shirt, above the '7' of '1973', midway to the top of the shoulder.	J7	
○	R4/4	Green	Tiny green spot close to the right edge of the stamp, right of the ear on the right.	F7	
○	R4/4	Green	Tiny green spot just left of the collar on the left.	I3	
○	R4/4	Red	Tiny white spot just above the hairline at top centre, below the '+' symbol.	B4	
○	R4/4	Red	Tiny white spot just bottom left of the ear on the left.	G2	
○	R4/4	Red	Two tiny white spots in the background on the right, in the pink triangle of shading at lower right.	H7, I7	

Row 4/5 Variety Map

There are many white spots useful to help plate this stamp. The three at the right end of the mouth are most prominent. Perhaps one of those, right of the mouth, is a small flaw, having the visual characteristics of one.



○	R4/5	Centre	Tiny white spot just above the right end of the eyebrow on the right.	E F5	
○	R4/5	Centre	Tiny white spot, perhaps a flaw, at the right end of the mouth.	G H5	
○	R4/5	Centre	Two tiny white spots, one above and one below the right end of the mouth.	G4-H5	
○	R4/5	Centre	Tiny white spot just right of the lower point of the collar on the right.	J K5	
○	R4/5	Centre	Tiny dark spot 3mm above the 'e' of 'Prince'.	J3	
○	R4/5	Green	Tiny white spot top right of the ear on the right.	E7	
○	R4/5	Green	Tiny white spot right of the ear on the right.	F7	
○	R4/5	Red	Tiny dark spot close to the left edge of the stamp, left of the ear.	F1	
○	R4/5	Red	Tiny white spot against the right edge of the stamp, level with the centre of the ear.	F8	

Row 4/6 Variety Map

On this stamp, there is a small flaw that appears on the cheek on the left, just left of the corner of the mouth. This appears as an irregular group of spots, prominent in the red 4c+1c, lesser on the green 3c+1c where the brown centre does not highlight it as the black colour does. This is sufficient to identify this stamp.



○	R4/6	Centre	Two prominent dark spots are present on the cheek, left of the mouth. The white surround makes it appear as a scar. Appear as a group of spots on the green 3c+1c stamp; fuzzy on the red 4c+1c but more prominent there.	H3	✓
○	R4/6	Centre	Tiny dark spot below the right end of the mouth, next to a white spot.	H4 5	
○	R4/6	Centre	Tiny dark spot top right of the '3' of '1973'.	K7 8	
○	R4/6	Red	Tiny white spot 1.5mm bottom right of the '1' of '1c'.	C7	

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Row 4/7 Variety Map

Look to the red 4c+1c stamp, and the shoulder on the right, where two red spots are seen close together, appearing above the '3' of '1973'. These are erratic to the placement of red on this stamp and therefore quite noticeable. But, do not confuse this with a group of two red spots seen on the stamp at row 5/5 in a similar position. There are no significant varieties found on the centre plate, and the collector will find it hard to locate the companion stamp in this position on the 3c+1c denomination, from the small flaw in green.



○	R4/7	Centre	Tiny dark spot immediately left of the hairline on the left, just into the background. Faint in some.	E2	
○	R4/7	Green	Tiny green spot in the background on the left, 2mm above the centre of the shoulder.	I2	
○	R4/7	Red	Tiny white spot 0.5mm left of the top of the ear on the left.	F2	
○	R4/7	Red	Two tiny red spots arranged diagonally on the shirt, above the '73' of '1973'. (See a similar variety on the stamp at row 5/5.)	J7	✓

Row 4/8 Variety Map

Look for the dark spot that sits on the left side of the nose, and between the eyes. This is small but helpful to plate this stamp position, but be careful, there are other stamps with dark spots in this area, so use the other lesser varieties to confirm.

				
 Green: Tiny green spot in the background at left, above the shoulder.		 Centre: Tiny dark spot on the nose, between the eyes.		 Red: Faint white spot right of the head amongst other transient spots.

○	R4/8	Centre	Tiny dark spot just right of the eye on the left, above the bridge of the nose.	F4	
○	R4/8	Green	Tiny green spot in the background on the left, 3mm above the centre of the shoulder.	I1	
○	R4/8	Red	Tiny white spot in the background, right of the head, 1.5mm right of the hairline. This is faint, and can be confused with transient white spots that appear close by.	C D7	

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Row 4/9 Variety Map

There are many white or dark spots on this stamp, only one of which is significant, and that is a small group of three spots that form a triangle close to the left edge of the 4c+1c stamp, left of the ear on the left. This is far from being significant, but they are eye visible. The common spots that appear on the centre plate are tiny.

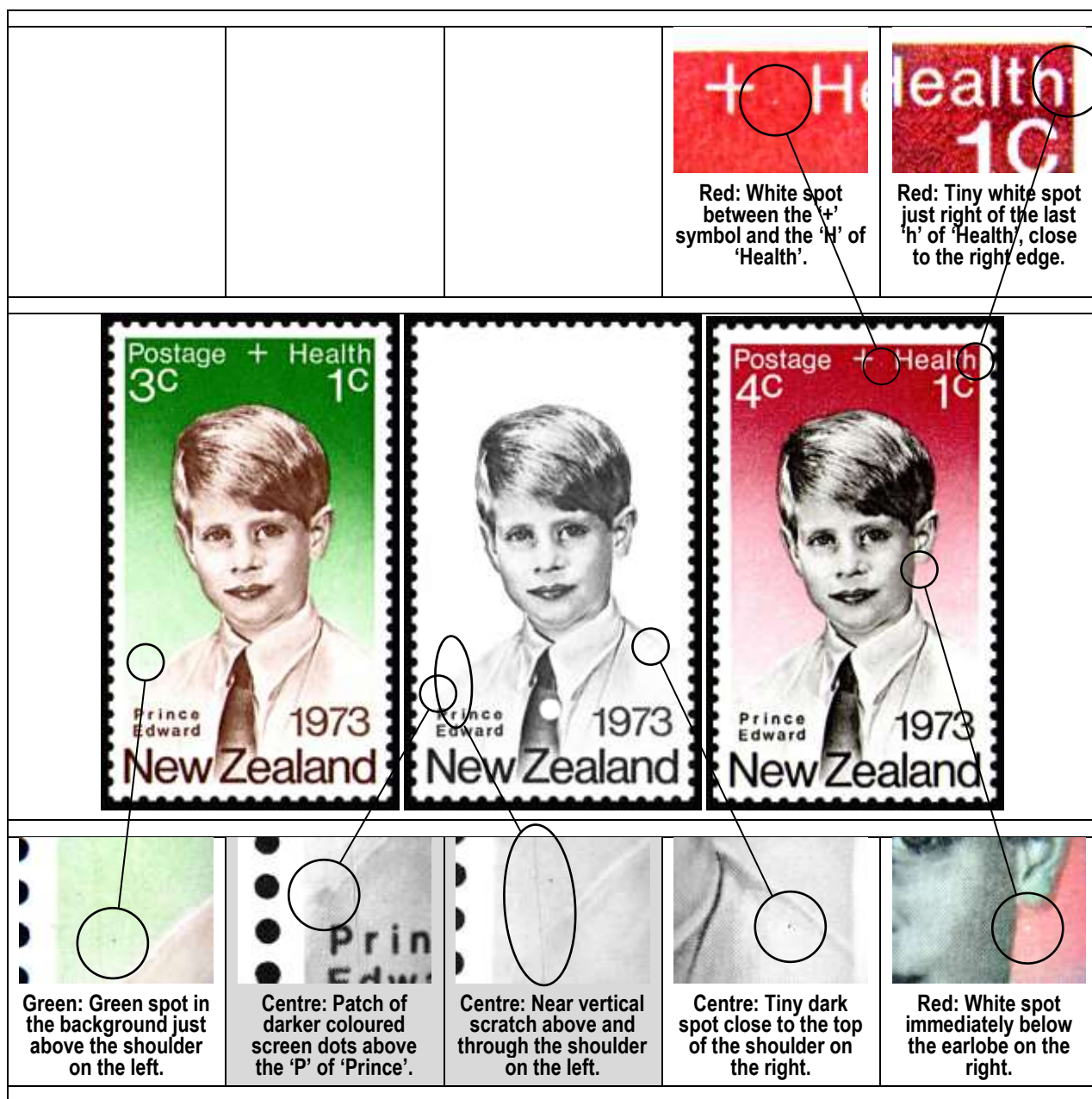


○	R4/9	Centre	Tiny dark spot in the background, left of the neck, top left of the collar.	I2 3	
○	R4/9	Centre	Tiny dark spot close to the top of the shoulder on the right.	I6 7	
○	R4/9	Green	Tiny white spot in the background, right of the ear, midway to the right edge of the stamp.	F7	
○	R4/9	Red	Tiny white spot next to the hairline, top left of the top of the parting.	C D2	
○	R4/9	Red	Three tiny red spots as a triangle, adjacent to the left edge of the stamp, left of the top of the ear.	F G1	✓

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Row 4/10 Variety Map

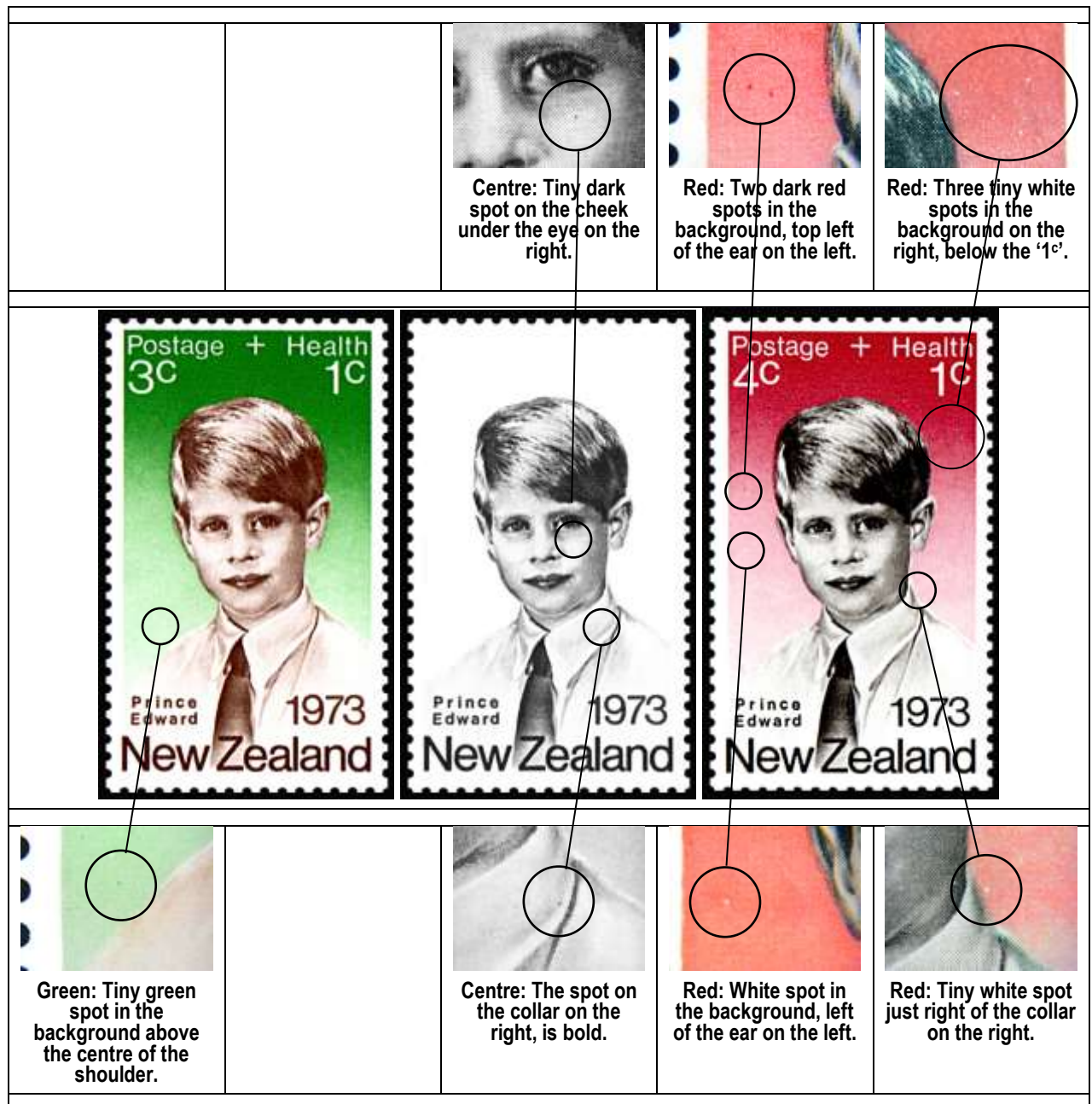
There are two varieties that will uniquely identify this stamp. Look to the centre plate and to the shoulder on the left, where a near vertical dark line will be found, running from the background into the shoulder. It will pass close to a patch of dark coloured screen dots, from the centre plate, that appear partially on the shoulder, left of the scratch, and partly into the coloured background.



○	R4/10	Centre	Dark spot near the edge of the shoulder on the right, 1.5mm below centre.	I7	
○	R4/10	Centre	Patch of dark screen dots appear on the edge of the shirt, above the 'P' of 'Prince'. This extends into the background, but does not cover it, allowing the frame colour to show through.	J K1	✓
○	R4/10	Centre	Most examples show a long near vertical scratch that starts just in from the left edge, level with the top of the collar, ending between the 'E' and last 'd' of 'Edward'.	K1	✓
○	R4/10	Green	Tiny green spot just above the constant spots, in the background at lower left.	J1	
○	R4/10	Red	Tiny white spot midway between the '+' symbol and 'Health'.	A5	
○	R4/10	Red	Tiny white spot right of the last 'h' of 'Health'.	A8	
○	R4/10	Red	Tiny white spot just below the ear on the right.	G6	

Row 5/1 Variety Map

Once again, there are many spots, both white and coloured, that will help identify this stamp. The two red spots left of the head on the 4c+1c denomination are bold; as is the white spot just below them, left of the ear on the left. The dark spot below the eye on the right is the only 'common' variety between the two stamps, green and red.



○	R5/1	Centre	Dark spot on the cheek, below the eye on the right.	F G5	
○	R5/1	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the right collar, just below its shading at the end of the right diagonal crease on the shirt. This spot is fuzzy.	I6	
○	R5/1	Green	Tiny green spot in the shading of the background in the lower left corner.	J1	
○	R5/1	Red	Three tiny white spots in the background on the right. Two of the white spots appear close together appear 3mm below the 'c' of '1c'; and a third appears close to the right edge, top right of the ear.	C6-D7	
○	R5/1	Red	Two prominent red spots are seen left of the head, midway between the leftmost hairline and the left edge.	E1	
○	R5/1	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm right of the left edge of the stamp, level with the ear on the left.	G1	
○	R5/1	Red	Further tiny white spots appear in the shading right of the collar.	H6	

Row 5/2 Variety Map

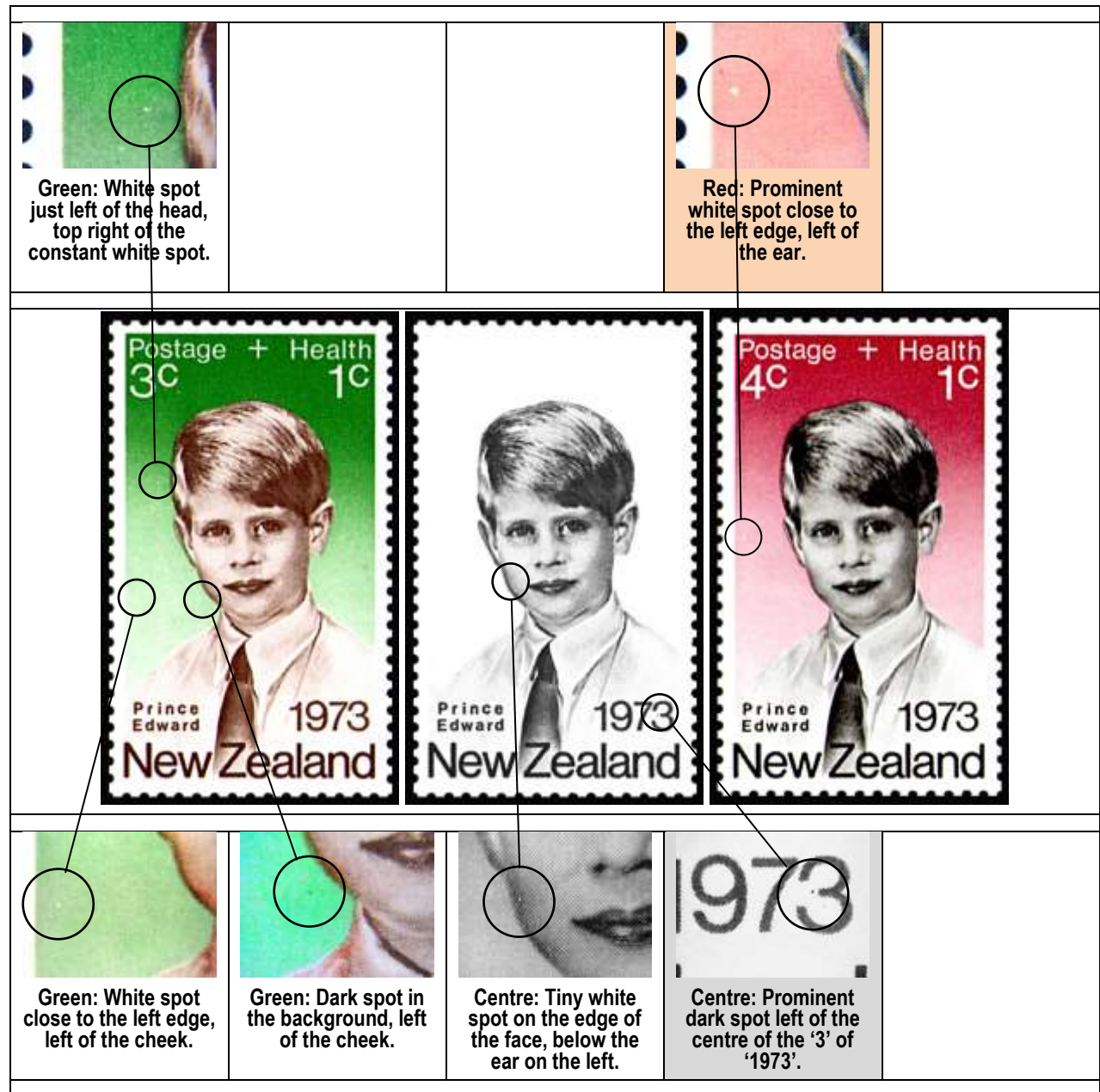
All spots here are quite noticeable especially the large spot found just right of the nostril on the right, and is quite prominent. Importantly it is unique.



○	R5/2	Centre	Prominent dark spot right of the nostril on the right, that has a white surround. It has the appearance of a bullseye flaw, but is constant.	G4 5	✓
○	R5/2	Centre	Tiny white spot immediately below the chin.	I4	
○	R5/2	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the neck, left of the white spot.	I4	
○	R5/2	Green	Tiny white spot in the dark shading, 1mm below the 'H' of 'Health'.	B5	
○	R5/2	Green	Two tiny white spots in the background, left of the left ear.	F1, F2	
○	R5/2	Green	Tiny white spot at the centre of the background on the left, level with the base of the nose.	H2	
○	R5/2	Red	White spot 1.5mm below the 'c' of '1c'.	C7	
○	R5/2	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm above the middle of the shoulder on the left.	I2	

Row 5/3 Variety Map

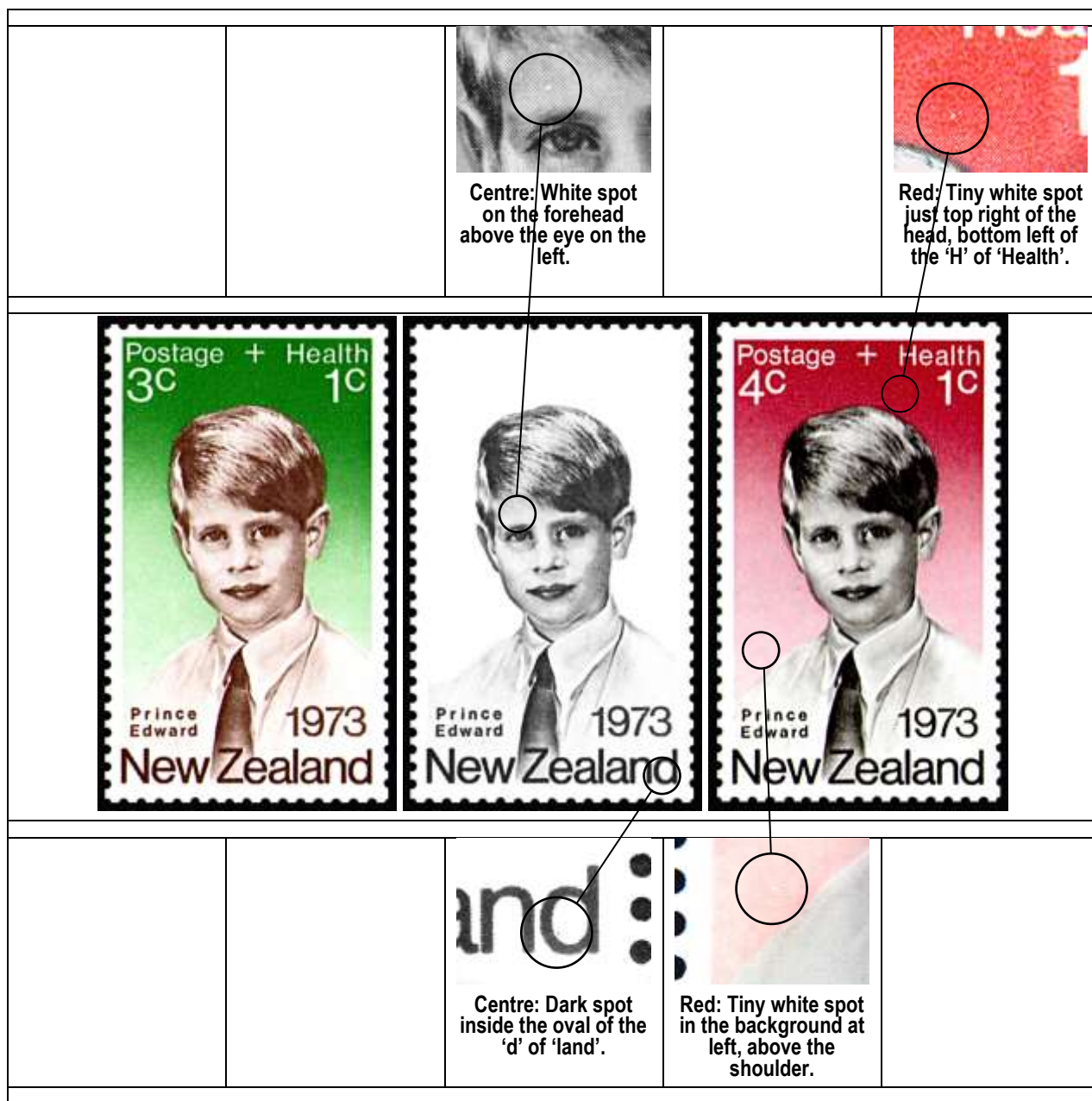
Look to the centre plate and the '3' of '1973'. There will be an additional dark spot just left of the centre arm of the '3' that extends its length. This is unique to this stamp and other varieties are only needed for confirmation.



○	R5/3	Centre	Tiny white spot on the outer edge of the face, on the left side at centre.	G H3	
○	R5/3	Centre	Dark spot pointed to by the middle arm of the '3' of '1973', top left of the constant dark spot in the lower arc.	K7	✓
○	R5/3	Green	Tiny white spot in the shading left of the head, top right of the constant white spot.	E1	
○	R5/3	Green	Tiny white spot near the left edge, level with the base of the mouth.	H1	
○	R5/3	Green	Tiny green spot next to the chin, top left of the collar on the left	H3	
○	R5/3	Red	Large white spot next to the left edge, level with the ear on the left.	F1	✓

Row 5/4 Variety Map

Whilst there are no significant varieties found on this stamp, there is a well-positioned white spot on the centre plate, that appears on the forehead above the eye on the left. This is quite noticeable, albeit small.

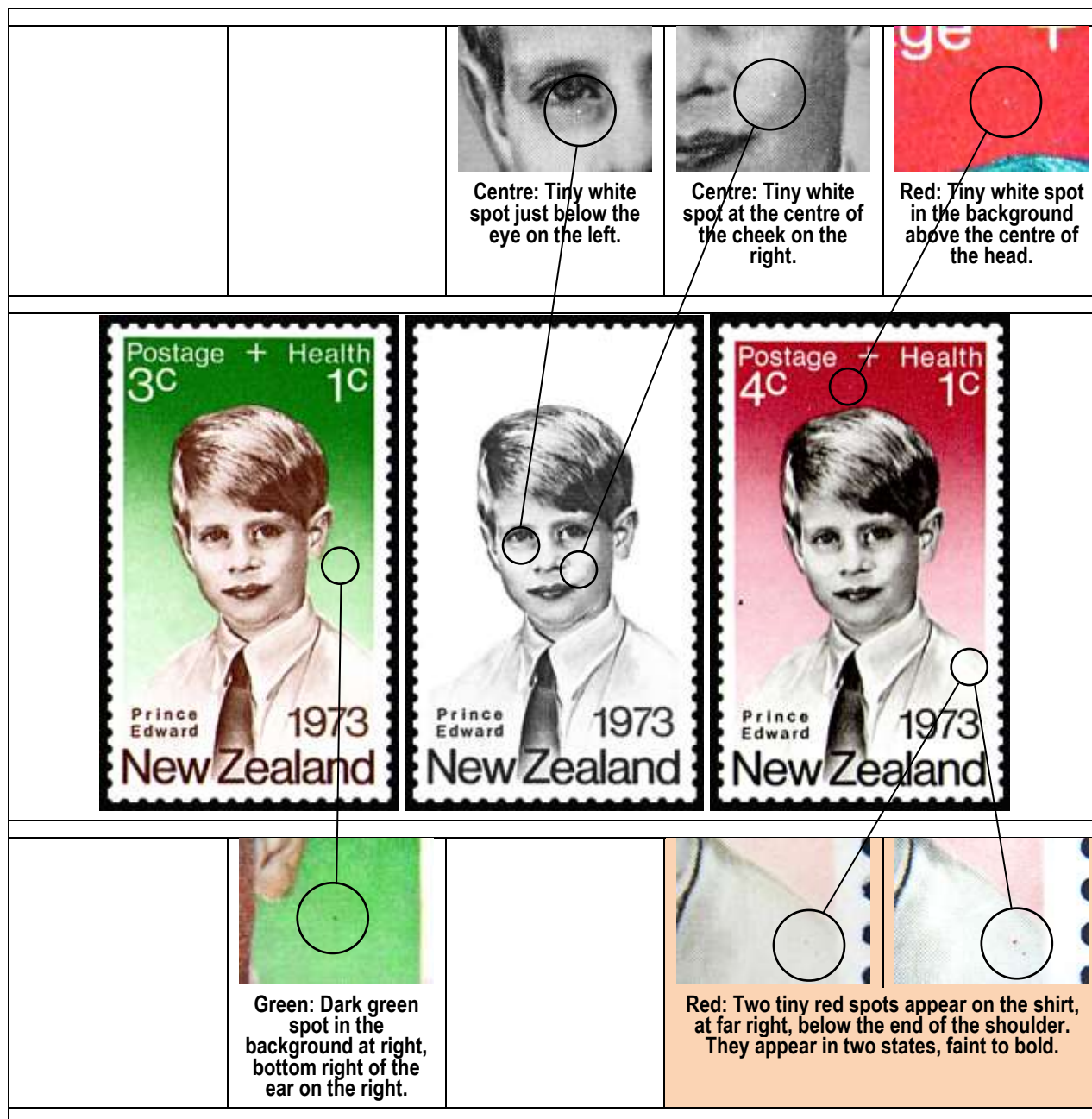


○	R5/4	Centre	Tiny white spot on the forehead above the eye in the right.	E3	
○	R5/4	Centre	Tiny dark spot in the oval of the 'd' of 'land', at bottom left.	M7	
○	R5/4	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm from the hairline, top right of the head, below the 'H' of 'Health'.	B5	
○	R5/4	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm above the shoulder on the left.	J1	

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Row 5/5 Variety Map

There are two white spots appearing in the face of the Prince, one below the eye on the left and a further white spot on the cheek on the right. These are quite obvious on both black and brown centres. Also, look to the 4c+1c stamp and find the two red spots that appear on the shirt on the right side. These spots appear in states either weak or bold. Do not confuse this with a similar set of two spots on the stamp at row 4/7, where two red spots are also seen, but on that stamp they are much closer together.



○	R5/5	Centre	Tiny white spot just under the eye in the left.	F3	
○	R5/5	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the face, just top right of the right end of the mouth. This is the same variety as seen on row 5/6.	G5	
○	R5/5	Green	Tiny green spot in the background on the right, bottom right of the ear, midway between the neck and the right edge.	G7	
○	R5/5	Red	Tiny white spot in the dark shading at top centre, 2mm above the hairline.	B4	
○	R5/5	Red	Two red spots on the shirt on the right side, above the '3' of '1973', appears in two states, with the spots varying in intensity. (See a similar variety on the stamp at row 4/7.)	J7	✓

Row 5/6 Variety Map

There are few varieties found on this stamp, but enough to plate it. For expediency, look to the top bar of the 'Z' of 'Zeal' from the centre plate, to find that it is broken close to where the diagonal bar joins it. This is unique to this stamp.

				
		Centre: Tiny white spot just above the nostril on the right.	Centre: Tiny white spot on the cheek on the right, bottom right of the nose.	
				
				
		Centre: Crack through the top bar of the 'Z' of 'Zeal'.		

○	R5/6	Centre	Tiny white spot above the nostril on the right.	G4	
○	R5/6	Centre	Tiny white spot on the cheek on the right, top right of the right end of the mouth. This is the same variety as seen on row 5/5.	G5	
○	R5/6	Centre	Small vertical crack in the 'Z' of 'Zeal', where the top horizontal bar meets the diagonal.	L4	✓

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Row 5/7 Variety Map

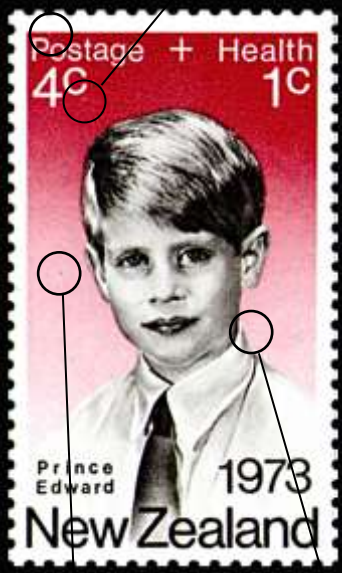
There are many spots both coloured and white on this stamp. One that is unique is the small dark spot that sits inside of the left triangle of the 'N' of 'New', between the left leg and the diagonal. It is small but can be identified quickly. An interesting variety is found in the green 3c+1c stamp, in the form of a small circle found just below the eye on the right. This is constant, but can be confused with a flaw on the centre plate, rather than green, because of its position way from the remainder of the green colour.



○	R5/7	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the face, just top left of the left end of the mouth.	G H3	
○	R5/7	Centre	Tiny dark spot between the '9' of '1973' and the 'a' of 'land'.	L6	
○	R5/7	Centre	Tiny white spot in the top left triangle of the 'N' of 'New', where the left leg meets the diagonal line.	M1	
○	R5/7	Green	Tiny green circle in the shading below the centre of the eye in the right. Could be mistaken for a dark spot from the centre colour	F5	
○	R5/7	Red	Bite out of the right edge of the stamp, as a tiny white spot exposed to the right margin, bottom right of the '1c'.	B8	
○	R5/7	Red	Further tiny white spot near the left edge, bottom left of the '4c'.	C1	
○	R5/7	Red	Tiny white spot between the hair and the left edge, 1mm from the hairline on the outer edge of the head.	E1 2	
○	R5/7	Red	Tiny white spot immediately above the ear on the left.	F2	

Row 5/8 Variety Map

All varieties on this stamp come from the red 4c+1c frame plate. The most intriguing is the short horizontal scratch that appears right of the neck, leading into the lighter background on the right. It is instantly recognisable, without the aid of magnification. It is hard therefore, to identify the 3c+1c stamp as there are no varieties found either in the green or centre plates.

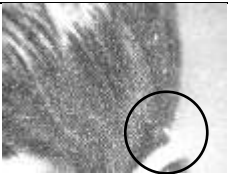
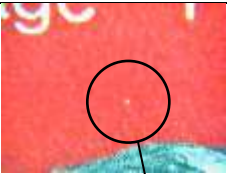
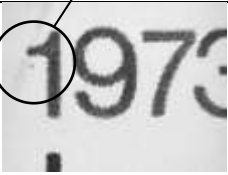
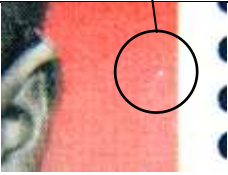
			 Red: Bite out of the top edge of the stamp, above the 'Po' of 'Postage'.	 Red: Tiny white spot below the 'c' of '4c'.
				
			 Red: Dark fuzzy spot midway between the left edge and the ear on the left.	 Red: Horizontal scratch right from the neck into the lighter red background.

○	R5/8	Red	Tiny white spot at the top edge of the stamp, top right of the 'P' of 'Postage'.	A1	
○	R5/8	Red	Tiny white spot below the 'c' of '4c'.	B2	
○	R5/8	Red	Dark red spot in the shading on the left, midway between the ear and the left edge.	F G1	✓
○	R5/8	Red	Short horizontal scratch extending from the top of the collar, 1.5mm into the shading right of the neck.	H6	✓

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Row 5/9 Variety Map

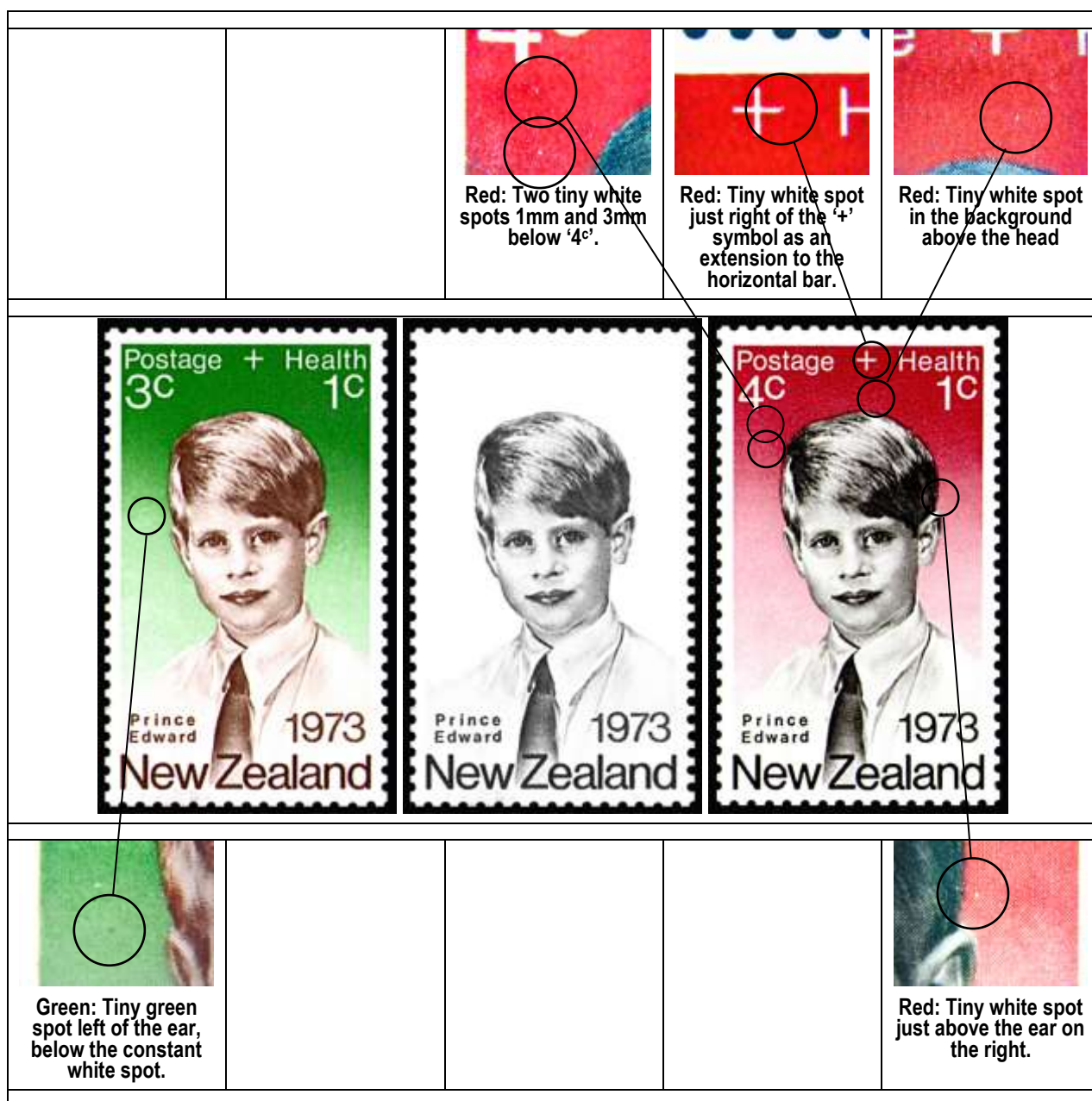
To help identify this stamp, look for the small indent into the hair, just above the ear on the right. This is quite small, but spoils the outline of the hair. For confirmation, there is a small dark spot found under the top serif of the '1' of '1973', small but constant.

				
		Centre: Small indent into the hair just above the ear on the right.	Red: White spot above the centre of the head, way below the 'e' of 'Postage'.	
				
				
		Centre: Tiny dark spot just under the serif of the '1' of '1973'.	Red: Two white spots left of the cheek, below the ear, at 1mm and 4mm.	Red: White spot close to the right edge of the stamp, right of the top of the ear.

○	R5/9	Centre	White indent into the right side of the head, in the hair, immediately above the top of the ear on the right. And a further two tiny white spots just above.	E6	
○	R5/9	Centre	Tiny dark spot under the serif of the '1' of '1973'.	K5	
○	R5/9	Red	Tiny white spot in the shading above the centre of the head.	B4	
○	R5/9	Red	Tiny white spot near the right edge, right of the ear on the right.	F7	
○	R5/9	Red	Two tiny white spots arranged horizontally, 1mm and 4mm from the cheek on the right. The spot on the right is much larger than the other.	G6-G7	

Row 5/10 Variety Map

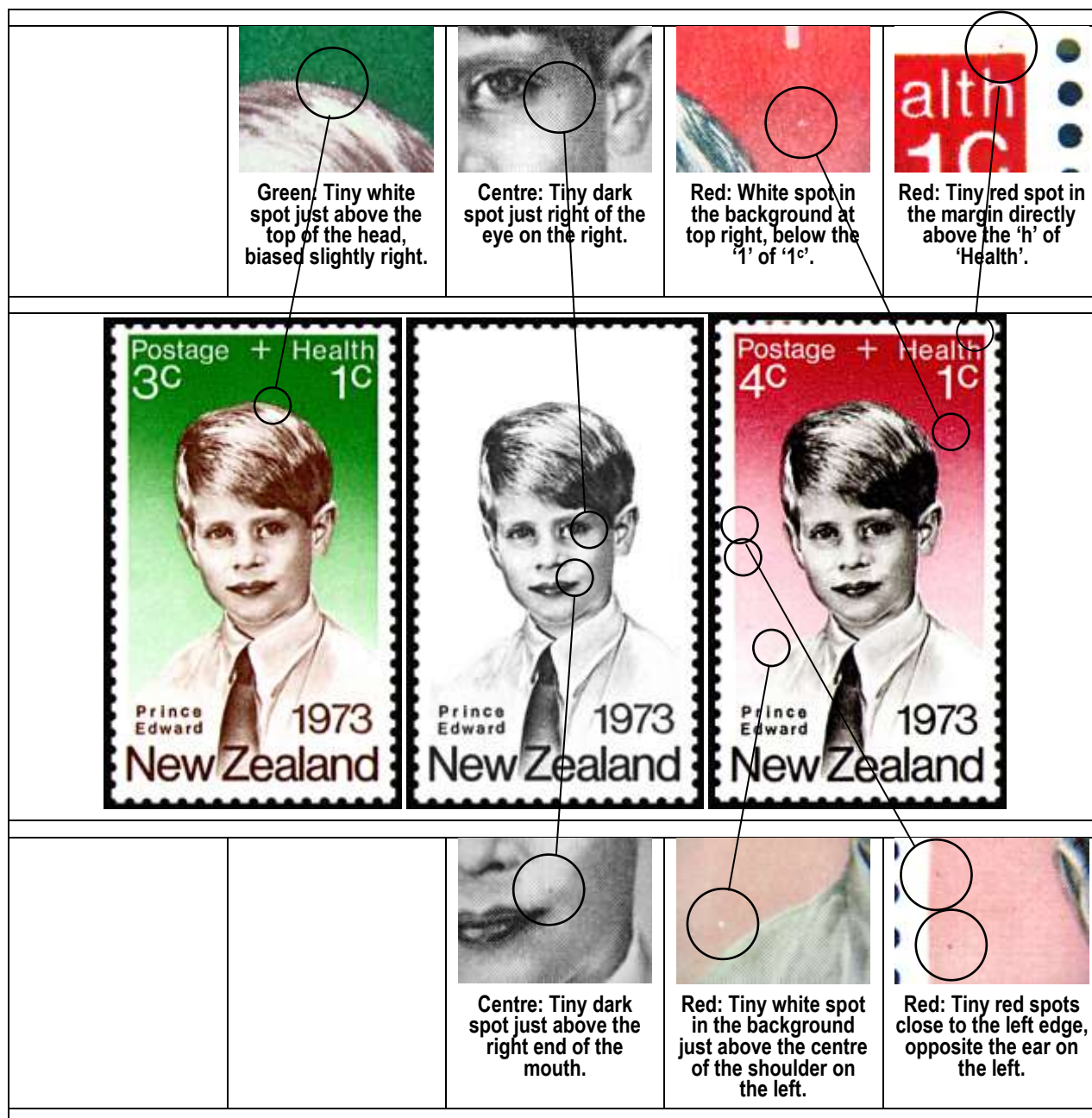
There are no exciting varieties found here. The collector will need to have patience to identify the small white and dark spots that are constant. One that is unique to the red frame plate is the small white spot that sits immediately right of the horizontal bar of the '+' symbol, close enough to be an extension to it. There are no varieties found on the centre plate. On the green frame plate, the only variety is a dark spot below the constant white spot on the left, will have the collector guessing if this is the correct plate position.



○	R5/10	Green	Tiny green spot in the shading on the left, just below the constant white spot, midway between the ear and the left edge.	F1	
○	R5/10	Red	Tiny white spot at the right end of the horizontal bar of the '+' symbol.	A5	
○	R5/10	Red	Tiny white spot 1.5mm below the '+' symbol at the top of the stamp.	B4 5	
○	R5/10	Red	Two tiny white spots below '4c' at 1mm and 3mm.	C1-D1	
○	R5/10	Red	Tiny white spot in the background just above the ear on the right.	E6 7	

Row 6/1 Variety Map

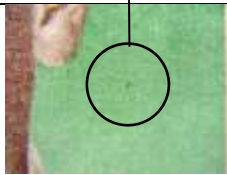
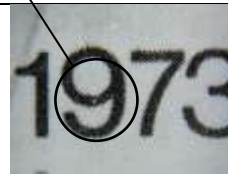
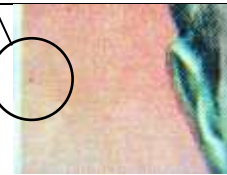
There are two dark spots on the face that will help identify this stamp, that appear right of the eye on the right and just above the right end of the mouth. The red has a number of readily identifiable spots, especially the one that appears in the top margin above the last 'h' of 'Health'.



○	R6/1	Centre	Tiny dark spot just right of the eye on the right.	F5	
○	R6/1	Centre	Tiny dark spot at the right end of the mouth.	G5	
○	R6/1	Green	Tiny white spot at the top of the hair, just right of centre.	B4	
○	R6/1	Red	Tiny red spot in the top margin, above the last 'h' of 'Health'.	-A7	
○	R6/1	Red	Tiny white spot in the background, 2.5mm below the '1' of '1c'.	C7	
○	R6/1	Red	Two tiny red spots near the left edge, one top left of the ear, the other at bottom left of the ear.	F1-G1	
○	R6/1	Red	Tiny white spot above the centre of the shoulder in the left.	J1	

Row 6/2 Variety Map

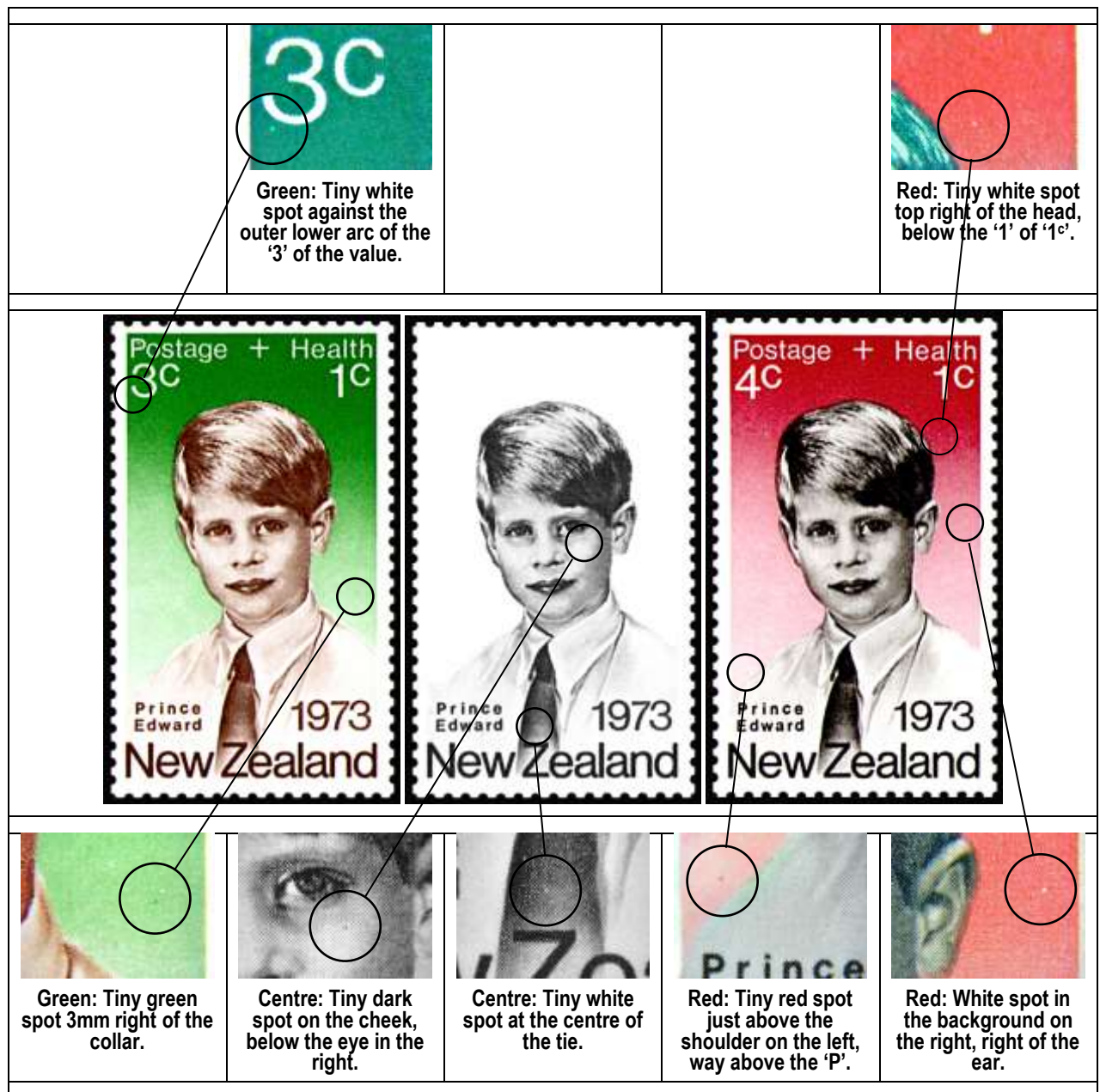
Do not try to use the white spot on the forehead to identify this stamp, as it is not unique, use other varieties to confirm; such as the white spot below the 'c' of '4c' on the red plate. You can trust the combination of varieties that affect the centre plate.

			 Red: Tiny white spot just below the 'c' of the value '4c'.	 Red: Tiny white spot close to the top edge of the stamp, above the 'He' of 'Health'.
				
 Green: Tiny green spot in the background bottom right of the earlobe on the right.	 Centre: Tiny white spot in the forehead at centre.	 Centre: Tiny dark spot inside the outline of the oval of the '9' of '1973'.	 Red: Tiny red spot close to the left edge, level with the top of the ear and eyes.	

○	R6/2	Centre	Tiny white spot just below the hairline, above the centre of the nose.	E3 4	
○	R6/2	Centre	Tiny white spot in the '9' close to the lower edge of the oval at centre.	K6	
○	R6/2	Green	Tiny white spot in the background on the right, midway between the earlobe and the right edge of the stamp.	G7	
○	R6/2	Red	Tiny white spot above the 'He' of 'Health'.	A6	
○	R6/2	Red	Tiny white spot 0.5mm below the 'c' of '4c'.	B2	
○	R6/2	Red	Tiny dark spot adjacent to the left edge, level with the eyes.	F1	

Row 6/3 Variety Map

There are no significant varieties here but the combination of the two spots on the centre plate are sufficient enough to plate it.

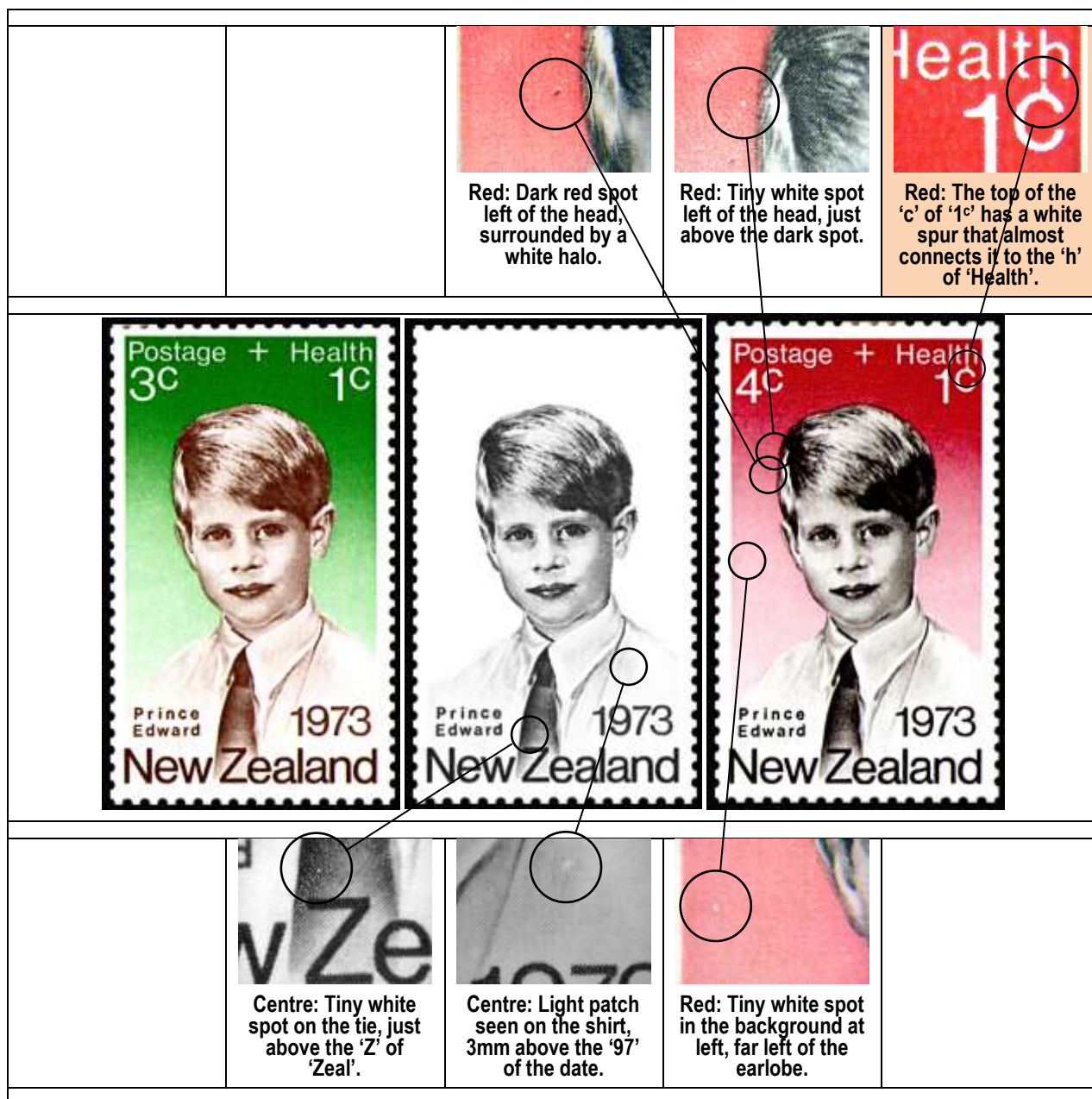


○	R6/3	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the cheek, below the right end of the eye on the right.	F G5	
○	R6/3	Centre	Tiny white spot on the tie, at centre, 1.5mm above the 'Z' of 'Zeal'.	L4	
○	R6/3	Green	Tiny white spot just bottom left of the '3' of the value '3c'. Faint on some.	B1	
○	R6/3	Green	Tiny green spot 3mm right of the right collar, in the background on the right, just below a white spot.	H7	
○	R6/3	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm top right of the head, below the '1' of '1c'.	C6	
○	R6/3	Red	Tiny white spot in the background on the right, 2mm right of the ear.	F7	
○	R6/3	Red	Tiny red spot 0.5mm above the shoulder on the left, above the 'P' of 'Prince'.	J1	

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Row 6/4 Variety Map

Whilst the red plate is very easily recognised by reference to the flaw on top of the 'c' of '1c' that is quite extensive and eye visible, the green is not. Combining the white spot on the tie with a light patch on the shirt right of the collar above the '97' of '1973', will help identify this plate position.



○	R6/4	Centre	Tiny white spot in the dark shading of the shirt, 3mm above the '97' of '1973'.	J6	
○	R6/4	Centre	Tiny white spot on the tie 1mm above the 'Z' of 'Zeal'.	L3	
○	R6/4	Red	White patch of missing red from the top of the 'c' of '1c', that almost connects it to the left foot of the 'h' of 'Health'.	A7	✓
○	R6/4	Red	Tiny white spot just left of the head, by the top of the parting.	D2	
○	R6/4	Red	Tiny red spot with a white surround, close to the hairline, left of the head, that gives the appearance of a white spot partly filled in.	E1 2	
○	R6/4	Red	Tiny white spot in the background on the left, 1mm from the left edge, just right of the level of the earlobe.	G1	

Row 6/5 Variety Map

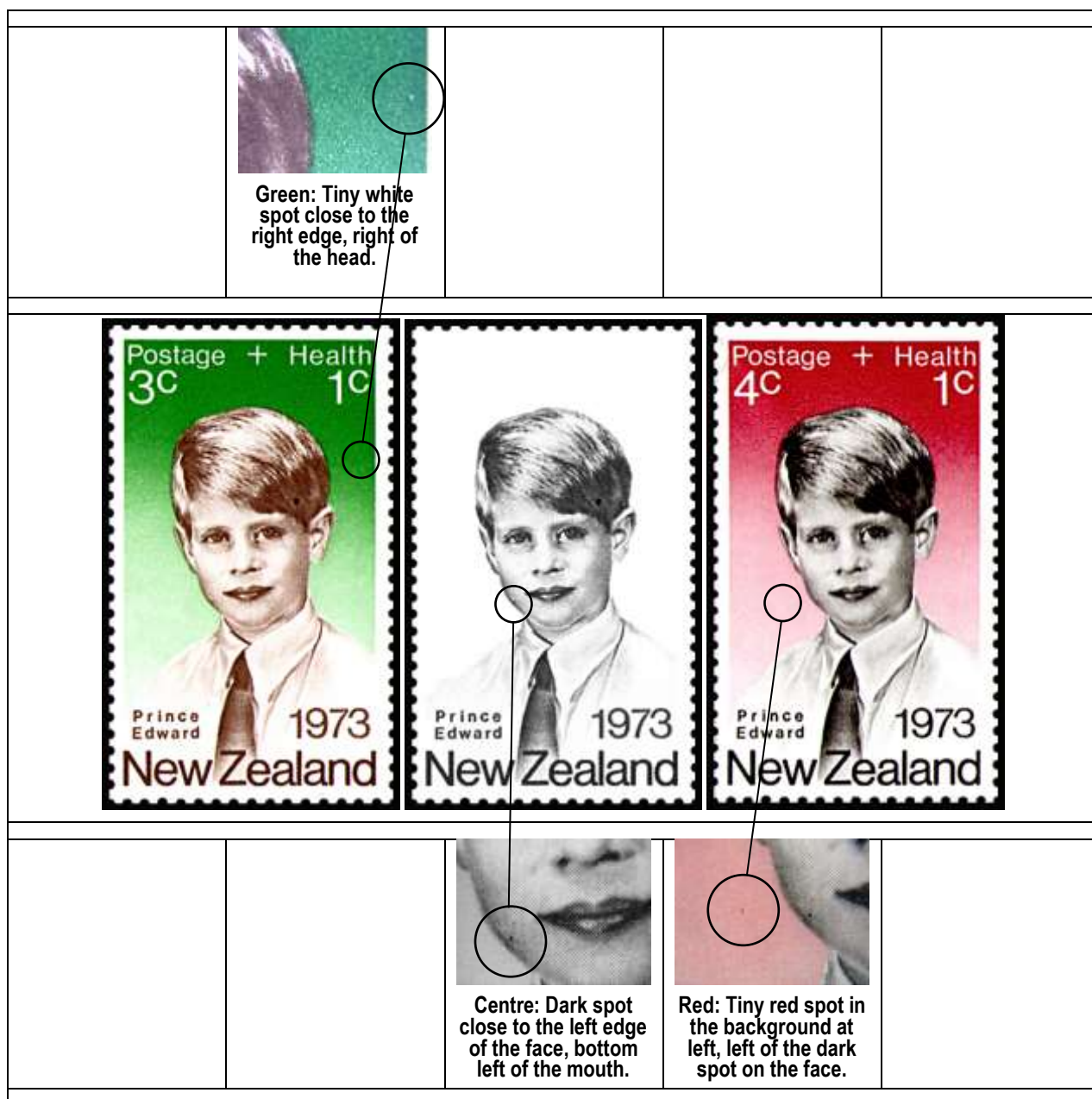
Look no further than the two white spots that sit on the face just below the left corner of the mouth. These are not significant other than by their position which makes them quite visible. Having said that, there are some pronounced white spots on the red plate above and to the right of the head.



○	R6/5	Centre	Tiny white spot 1mm above the eye on the left, close to the hairline.	E3	
○	R6/5	Centre	Tiny white spot in the sideburn on the right, close to where the ear joins the head.	F6	
○	R6/5	Centre	Two close tiny white spots on the left side of the chin, just below the left end of the mouth.	H3	✓
○	R6/5	Green	Tiny green spot 1mm above the bend of the shoulder on the left.	I2	
○	R6/5	Red	Tiny white spot in the background at top, 1.5mm below the left leg of the 'H' of 'Health'.	B5	
○	R6/5	Red	Further tiny white spot at the top, just above the hairline, way below the 'H' of 'Health'.	C5	
○	R6/5	Red	Tiny white spot on the right of the head, 0.5mm right of the hairline.	D7	

Row 6/6 Variety Map

There is a prominent dark spot seen on the left edge of the Prince's face, bottom left of the corner of the mouth. Fortunately this is enough to plate this stamp as there is little else to differentiate it from others.

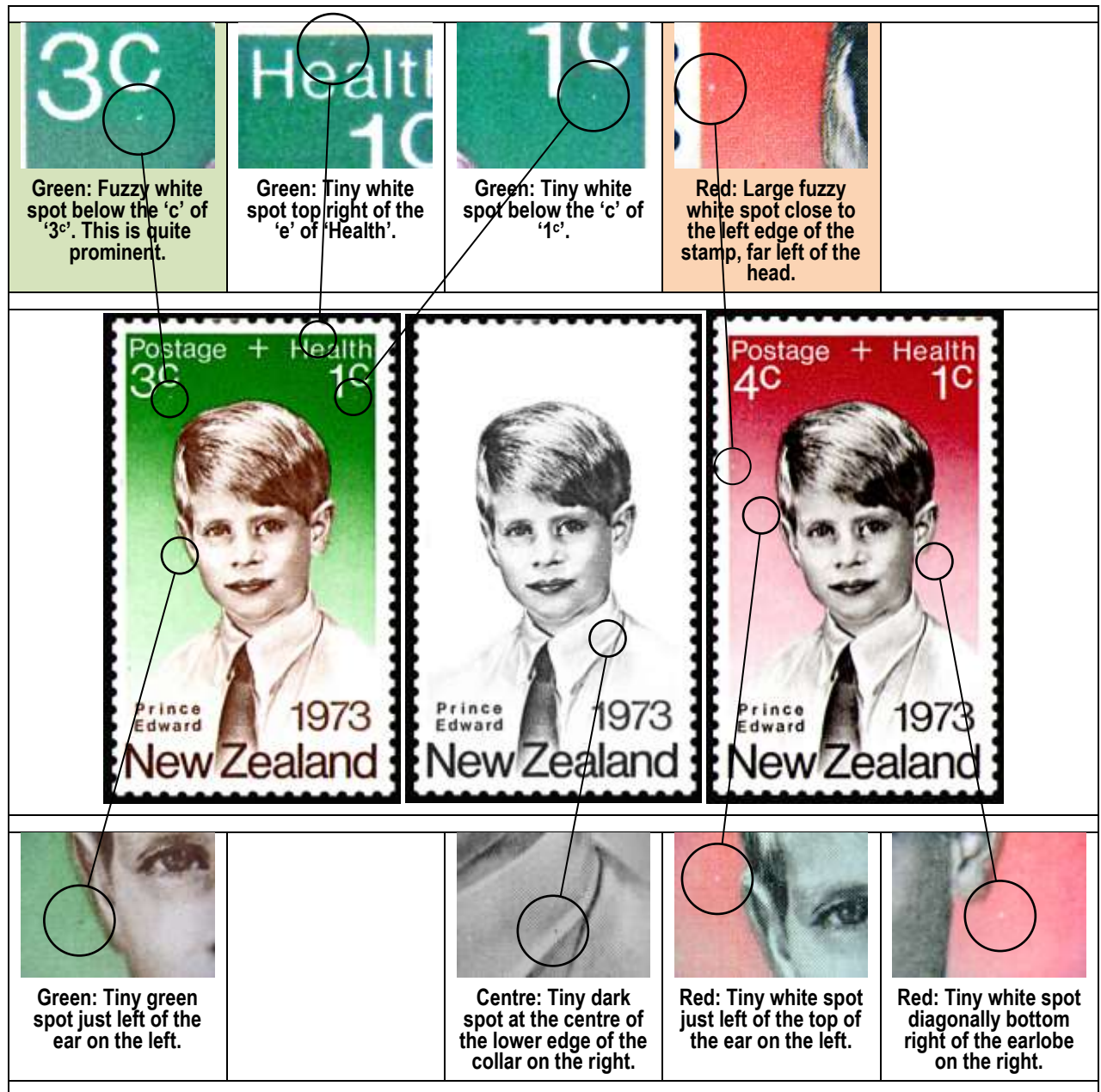


○	R6/6	Centre	Dark spot at the edge of the cheek on the left, just below the level of the mouth.	H3	
○	R6/6	Green	Tiny white spot right of the head, 0.5mm from the right edge.	D7	
○	R6/6	Red	Tiny red spot 1.5mm left of the dark spot on the boy's face.	H2	

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Row 6/7 Variety Map

This stamp shows two fuzzy spots affecting the background of each of the denominations. On the green 3c+1c this is seen just below the 'c' of '3c' and is eye visible. On the red 4c+1c, look to the left edge of the stamp far left of the head, where a large fuzzy white spot can be seen readily.



○	R6/7	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the edge of the collar on the right, roughly half way along its outer edge.	I/J 5 6	
○	R6/7	Green	Tiny white spot at the top edge, top right of the 'e' of 'Health'.	A6	
○	R6/7	Green	White spot in the dark shading at top, below the 'c' of '3c', level with the foot of the '3'.	B2	✓
○	R6/7	Green	Tiny white spot below the '1c', level with the foot of the '1'.	B7	
○	R6/7	Green	Tiny green spot just left of the ear on the left.	G2	
○	R6/7	Red	White spot near the left edge, left of the centre of the head. This is very large and appears fuzzy.	D1	✓
○	R6/7	Red	Tiny white spot just left of the top of the ear on the left.	F1 2	
○	R6/7	Red	Tiny white spot in the background, bottom right of the ear on the right.	G6	

Row 6/8 Variety Map

The only variety of note here affects the green background of the 3c+1c, left of the neck midway, to the left edge of the stamp. This appears as a number of darker spots grouped into a small cluster, as if the plate was damaged at this spot.

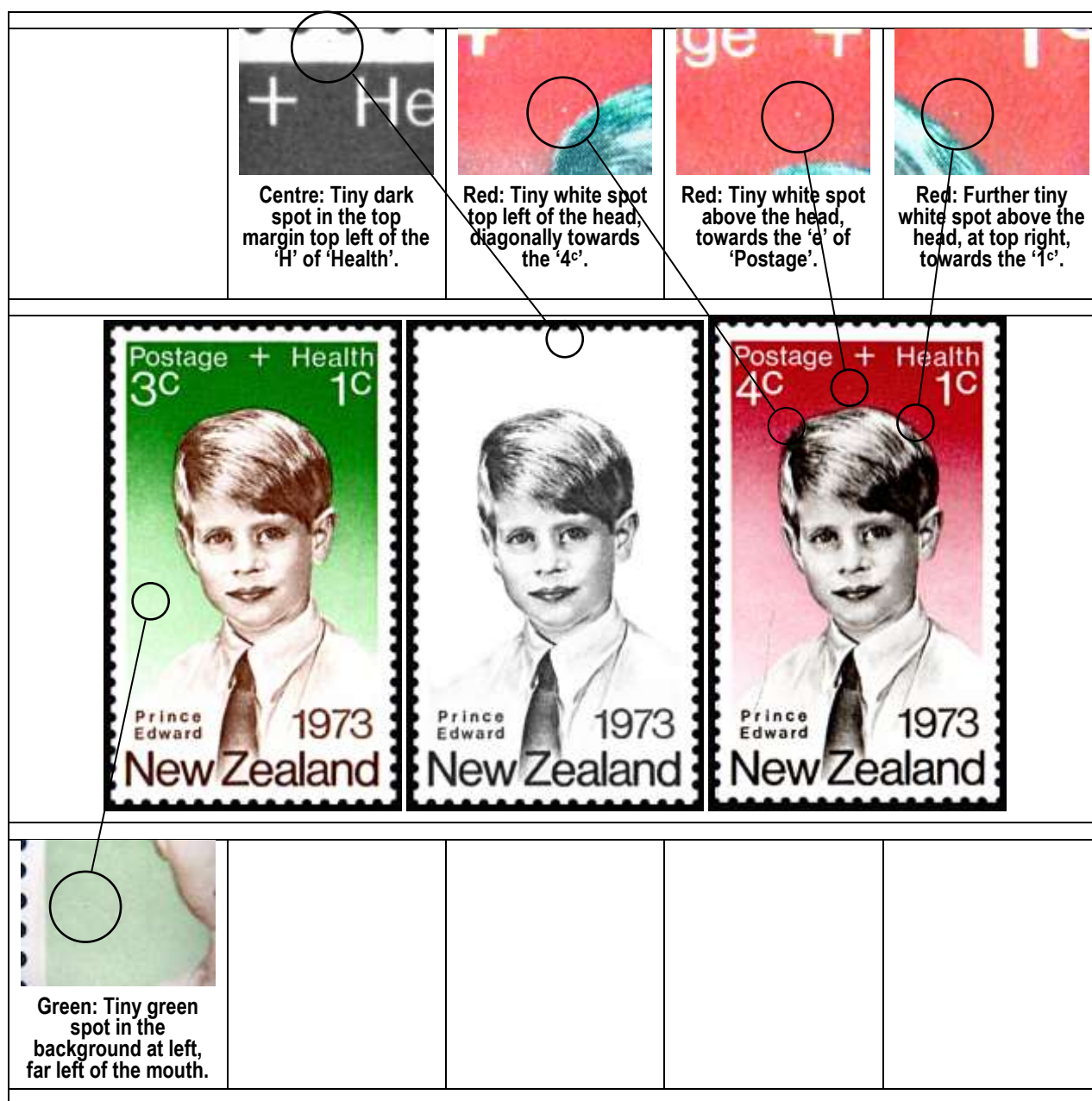
				
	 Green: Disturbance in the background at left, left of the neck, midway to the left edge of the stamp.			 Red: Tiny white spot just right of the top of the ear on the right.

○	R6/8	Green	Group of prominent green spots in the shading on the left, left of the base of the chin. This has the appearance of a retouch to a large white area. On later sheets, this is less prominent but still visible.	I2	✓
○	R6/8	Red	Tiny white spot 0.5mm right of the top of the ear.	F7	

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Row 6/9 Variety Map

There are no varieties of note here other than, perhaps, the three white spots that surround the head on the red plate. What is unusual, and will plate this stamp, is the lone dark spot that sits in the top margin biased slightly right of centre. It is well away from where the dark centre colours appear on the stamp.



○	R6/9	Centre	Tiny dark spot in the top margin, midway between the '+' symbol and the 'H' of 'Health'.	-A5	
○	R6/9	Green	Tiny green spot in the background on the left, 2mm from the left edge, level with the mouth.	H1	
○	R6/9	Red	Tiny white spot 1.5mm above the hairline, at the centre of the background at top.	B4	
○	R6/9	Red	Tiny white spot just above the hairline, above the parting.	C2	
○	R6/9	Red	Tiny white spot closer to the hairline at top right.	C6	

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Row 6/10 Variety Map

To identify this stamp look no further than the small dark spot that site between the 'l' and 'a' of 'land' in the country name. This is small but well defined, appearing left of the top arc of the 'a', and is constant.

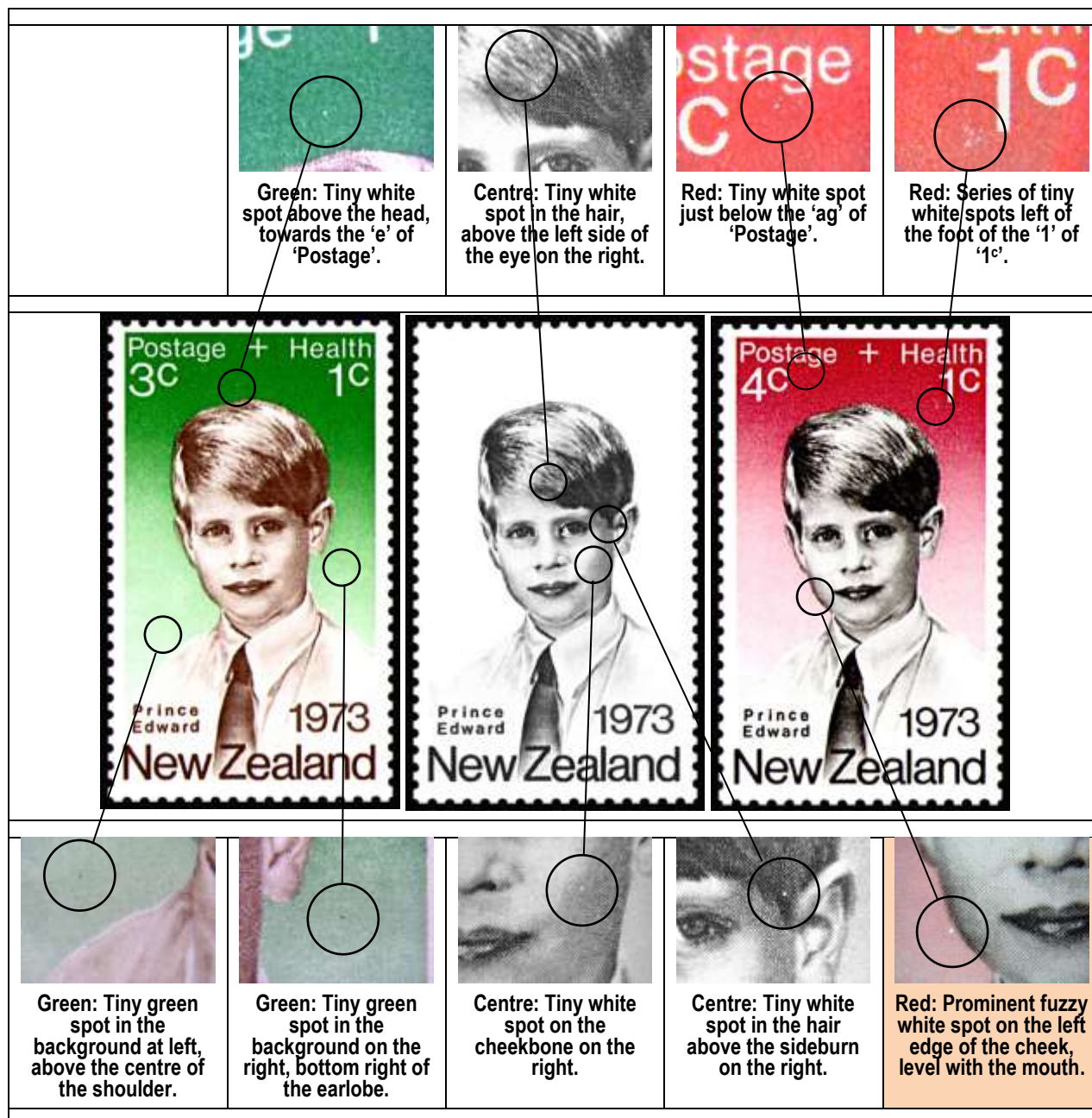


○	R6/10	Centre	Short diagonal 's' shape close to the right edge of the stamp, level with the base of the right ear, bold on the brown printing, faint on black.	F G7	
○	R6/10	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the chin on the left side.	H4	
○	R6/10	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the lower edge of the collar on the right, way above the '1' of '1973'.	J5	
○	R6/10	Centre	Small indent, as a white spot, on the right edge of the tie, just above then 'e' of 'Zeal'.	L4	
○	R6/10	Centre	Dark spot between the 'l' and 'a' of 'land', at the top of the nose of the 'a'.	M6	✓
○	R6/10	Green	Tiny green spot 1.5mm from the right edge, level with the top of the collar.	H7	
○	R6/10	Red	Tiny white spot adjacent to the right edge, bottom right of the '1c'.	C7 8	
○	R6/10	Red	Tiny white spot just right of the hairline, above the ear on the right.	E6	
○	R6/10	Red	Tiny white spot 1.5mm left of the middle of the ear in the left.	F1	

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Row 7/1 Variety Map

Look to the right sideburn to find a tiny white spot that sits between the eye on the right and the ear. On the red plate, the collectors eye is drawn to a white spot on the left edge of the face, but there are many other spots to help plate this stamp.



○	R7/1	Centre	Tiny white spot in the hair at centre, vertically above the left end of the right eye. Can be difficult to find without comparing to other stamps.	E4	
○	R7/1	Centre	Tiny white spot in the sideburn on the right.	F6	
○	R7/1	Centre	Tiny white spot at the centre of the cheek on the right, just into the dark area.	G5	
○	R7/1	Green	Tiny white spot 1.5mm above the head, biased to the left side.	B4	
○	R7/1	Green	Tiny green spot midway between the neck and the right edge, bottom right of the ear in the right.	G7	
○	R7/1	Green	Tiny green spot in the background on the left, 2mm above the centre of the shoulder.	I2	
○	R7/1	Red	Tiny white spot below the 'ag' of 'Postage'.	A2 3	
○	R7/1	Red	Disturbance in the background, bottom left of the foot of the '1' of '1c'.	B6	
○	R7/1	Red	White spot on the left edge of the cheek, level with the mouth.	H3	✓

Row 7/2 Variety Map

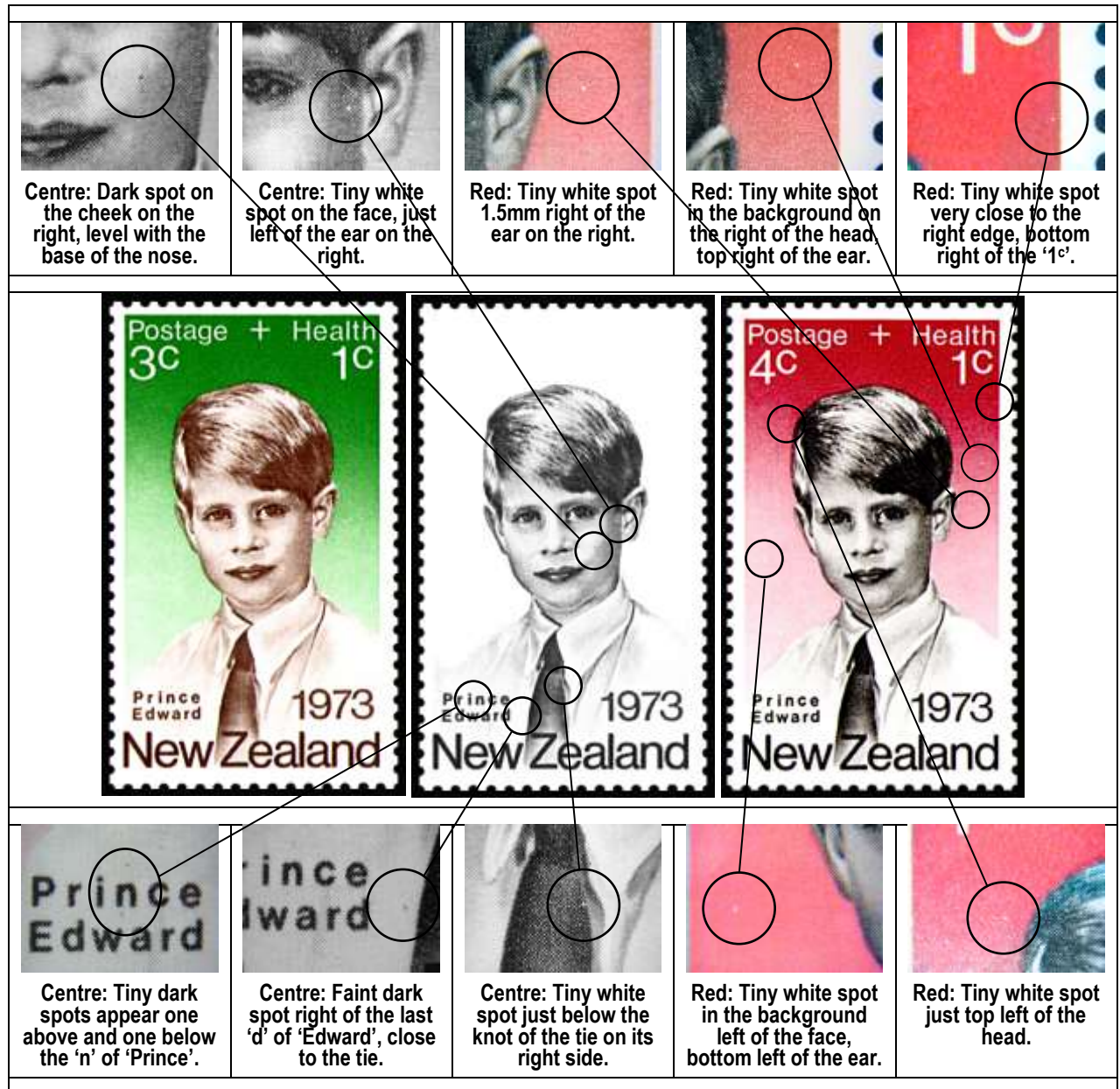
Look to the 'Z' and 'e' of 'Zeal' to find white spots forming bites out of their edges. On the 'Z' there is a bite out of the lower edge of the upper bar; on the 'e' the bite is close to the 'a' that follows.



○	R7/2	Centre	Second tiny dark spot in the jaws of the '3' of '1973', just top left of the centre horizontal bar.	K7
○	R7/2	Centre	Tiny white spot, developing into a break, at the centre of the top bar of the 'Z' of 'Zeal'. This starts as a white spot, but elongates to bisect the bar.	L4
○	R7/2	Centre	Small indent in the 'e' of 'Zeal', close to the 'a'.	M5
○	R7/2	Green	Tiny green spot in the top margin above the 'H' of 'Health'.	-A5
○	R7/2	Green	Second tiny white spot just above the constant white spot left of the ear on the left.	E1
○	R7/2	Green	Tiny green spot 0.5mm from the left edge, 5mm above the 'P' of 'Prince', level with the top of the shoulder.	J1
○	R7/2	Red	Tiny red spot just short of the left edge, level with the ear.	F1
○	R7/2	Red	Tiny red spot on the left edge, level with the mouth.	H1

Row 7/3 Variety Map

The dark spot seen at the centre of the cheek on the right is perhaps the most prominent of all the spots seen on this stamp. In combination with the white spot just below the sideburn on the right, they will help plate this stamp.



○	R7/3	Centre	Tiny white spot just below the sideburn on the right.	F6	
○	R7/3	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the cheek on the right, on the edge of the darker shading. This is quite distinct.	G5	
○	R7/3	Centre	Tiny dark spots above and below the 'n' of 'Prince'.	K2	
○	R7/3	Centre	Tiny white spot on the right edge of the tie, just below the knot.	K4	
○	R7/3	Centre	Tiny dark spot between the last 'd' of 'Edward' and the tie. Quite faint.	L3	
○	R7/3	Red	Tiny white spot in the shading at top, just top left of the top of the parting in the hair.	C D2	
○	R7/3	Red	Tiny white spot against the right edge, 2mm below the 'c' of '1c'.	C7 8	
○	R7/3	Red	Tiny white spot in the shading on the right, 1mm from the right edge of the stamp, top right of the ear.	E7	
○	R7/3	Red	Further tiny white spot on the right, 1mm right of the ear.	F7	
○	R7/3	Red	Tiny white spot 1.5mm from the left edge, level with the base of the ear.	G1	

Row 7/4 Variety Map

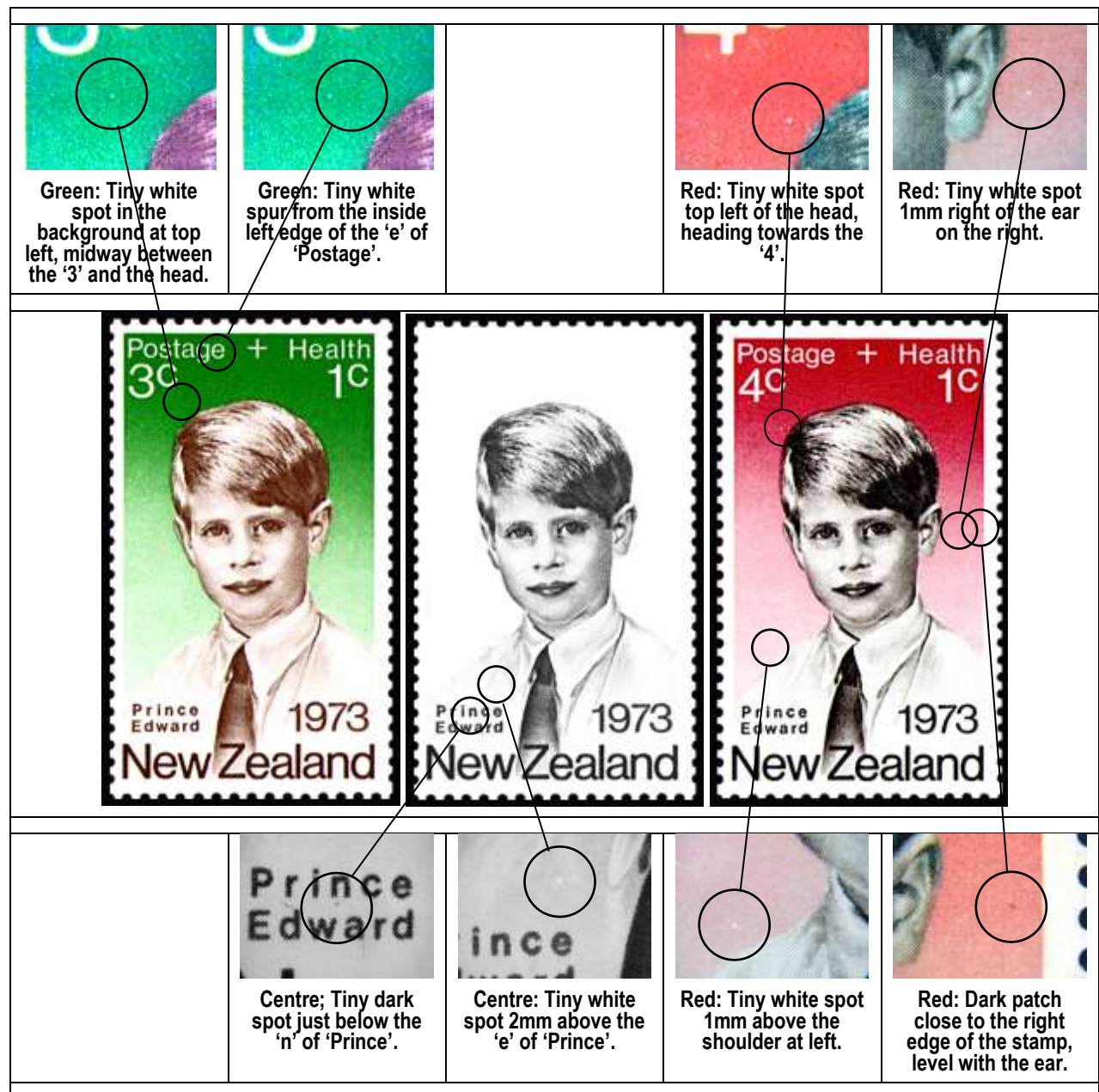
One variety identifies this stamp immediately, and that is the rather large spot that sits at the base of the 'i' of 'Prince', slightly biased to the right, that elongates the letter downwards.



○	R7/4	Centre	Dark spot on the face, right of the nose.	G4J5	
○	R7/4	Centre	Two tiny white spots at the centre of the neck, just below the chin.	I4	
○	R7/4	Centre	The 'i' of 'Prince' has a dark spot at its foot that elongates it downwards.	K1J2	✓
○	R7/4	Centre	Tiny white spot at the right edge of the tie, just below the knot.	K4	
○	R7/4	Green	Tiny white spot immediately above the centre of the head.	B4	
○	R7/4	Green	Tiny white spot in the shading on the right, 1.5mm below the '1c'. Faint on some examples.	C7	
○	R7/4	Red	Tiny white spot right of the foot of the '4' of the value '4c'.	B1	
○	R7/4	Red	Tiny white spot on the left side, midway between the cheek and the left edge, level with the mouth.	H2	
○	R7/4	Red	Tiny red spot in the background 1.5mm above the shoulder on the right.	H7	

Row 7/5 Variety Map

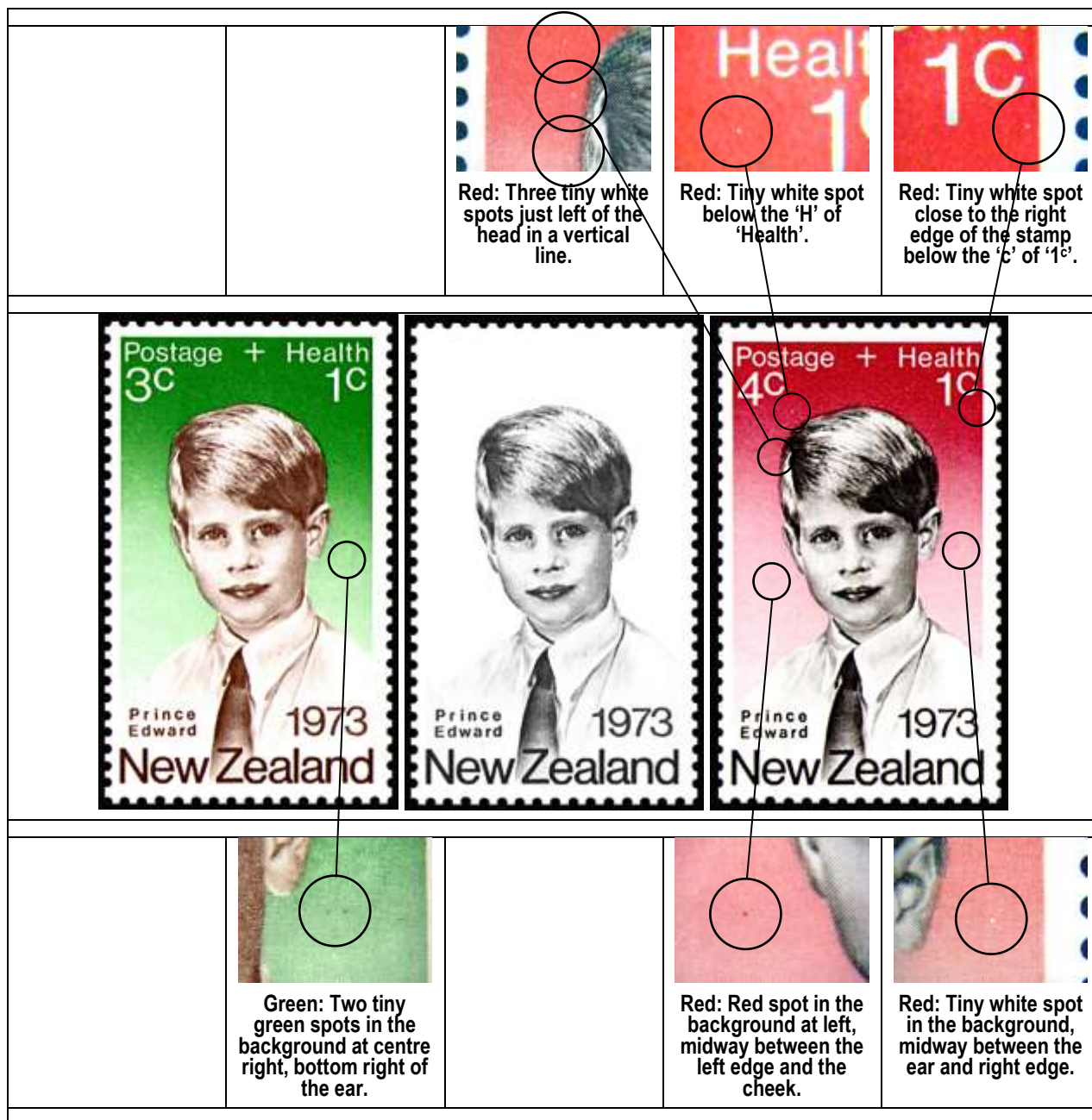
On this stamp, look for the tiny dark spot that sits just below the 'n' of 'Prince'. Please ensure that there is not another tiny dark spot just above the 'n', as this will be row 7/3.



○	R7/5	Centre	Tiny dark spot below the 'n' of 'Prince'.	K2	
○	R7/5	Centre	Tiny white spot on the shirt, 2mm above the 'e' of 'Prince'. This is hard to see on the 4c+1c stamp.	K2 3	
○	R7/5	Green	Small white spur from the 'e' of 'Postage' at its centre.	A3	
○	R7/5	Green	Tiny white spot midway between the 'c' of '3c' and top left and the head.	B2	
○	R7/5	Red	Tiny white spot just above the head, above the top of the parting on the left.	C2	
○	R7/5	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm right of the ear on the right.	F7	
○	R7/5	Red	Disturbance in the red background, right of the right ear, 0.5mm from the right edge. In some examples, the spot is red and clear, on others it is fuzzy.	F7	
○	R7/5	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm above the shoulder on the left.	I2	

Row 7/6 Variety Map

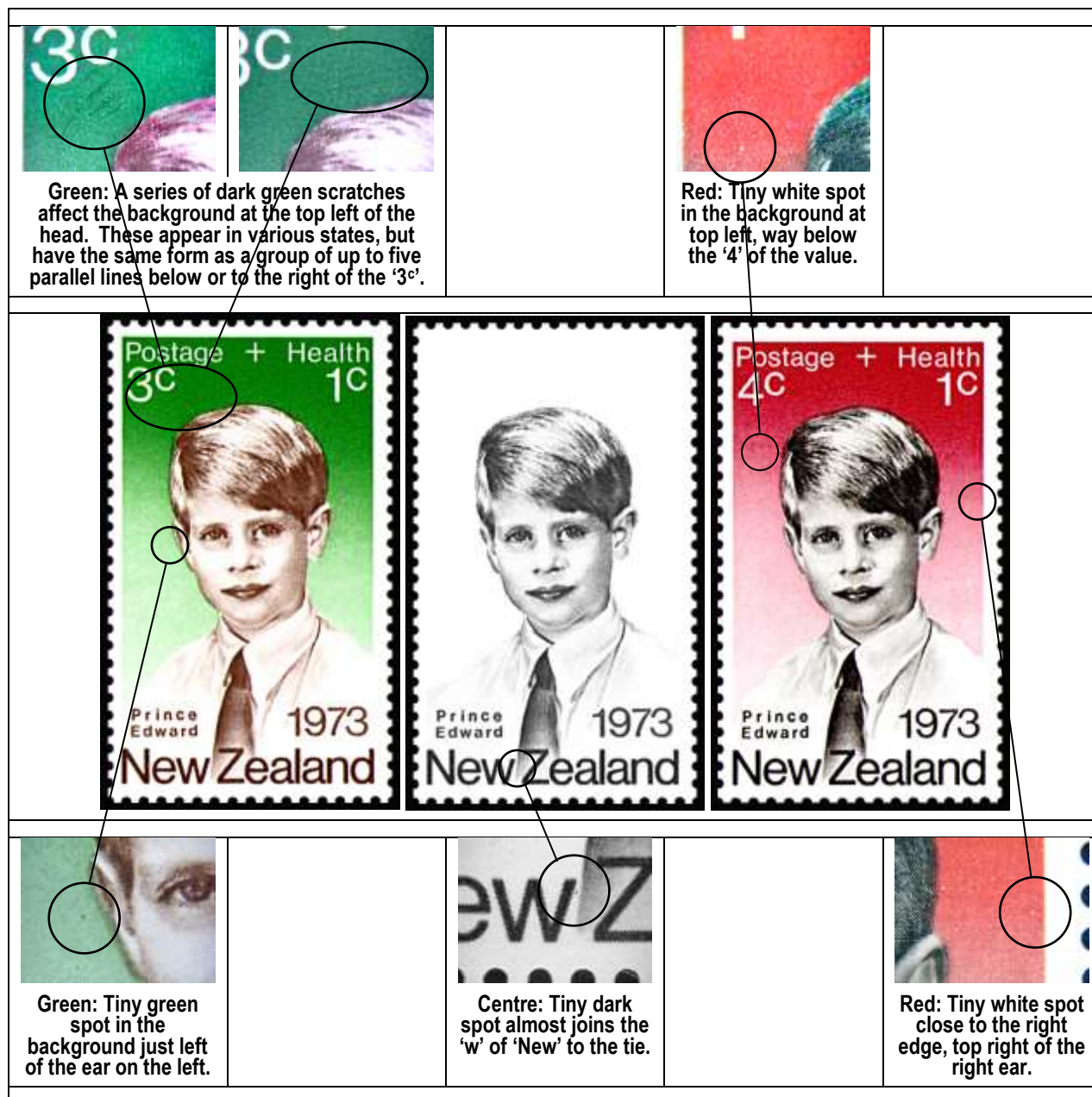
There are no varieties that affect the centre plate. The collector must rely on identifying the green and red plates individually. For the red, that is easy, by finding the prominent red spot between the left edge and the cheek, below the level of the ear. For the green, this is more difficult, as the only variety f note is the two green spots in the background, bottom right of the ear on the right.



○	R7/6	Green	Two close tiny green spots in the shading in the right, bottom right of the ear, midway to the right edge.	G6-G7	
○	R7/6	Red	Tiny white spot in the dark shading at the top, below the 'H' of 'Health'.	B5/6	
○	R7/6	Red	Tiny white spot close to the right edge, below the 'c' of '1c'.	B7/8	
○	R7/6	Red	Three tiny white spots in a line vertically, around the head at top left, close to the hairline.	C2-D2	
○	R7/6	Red	Tiny white spot on the right side, midway between the ear and the right edge.	F7	
○	R7/6	Red	Red spot midway from the left edge, to the base of the ear on the left.	G2	

Row 7/7 Variety Map

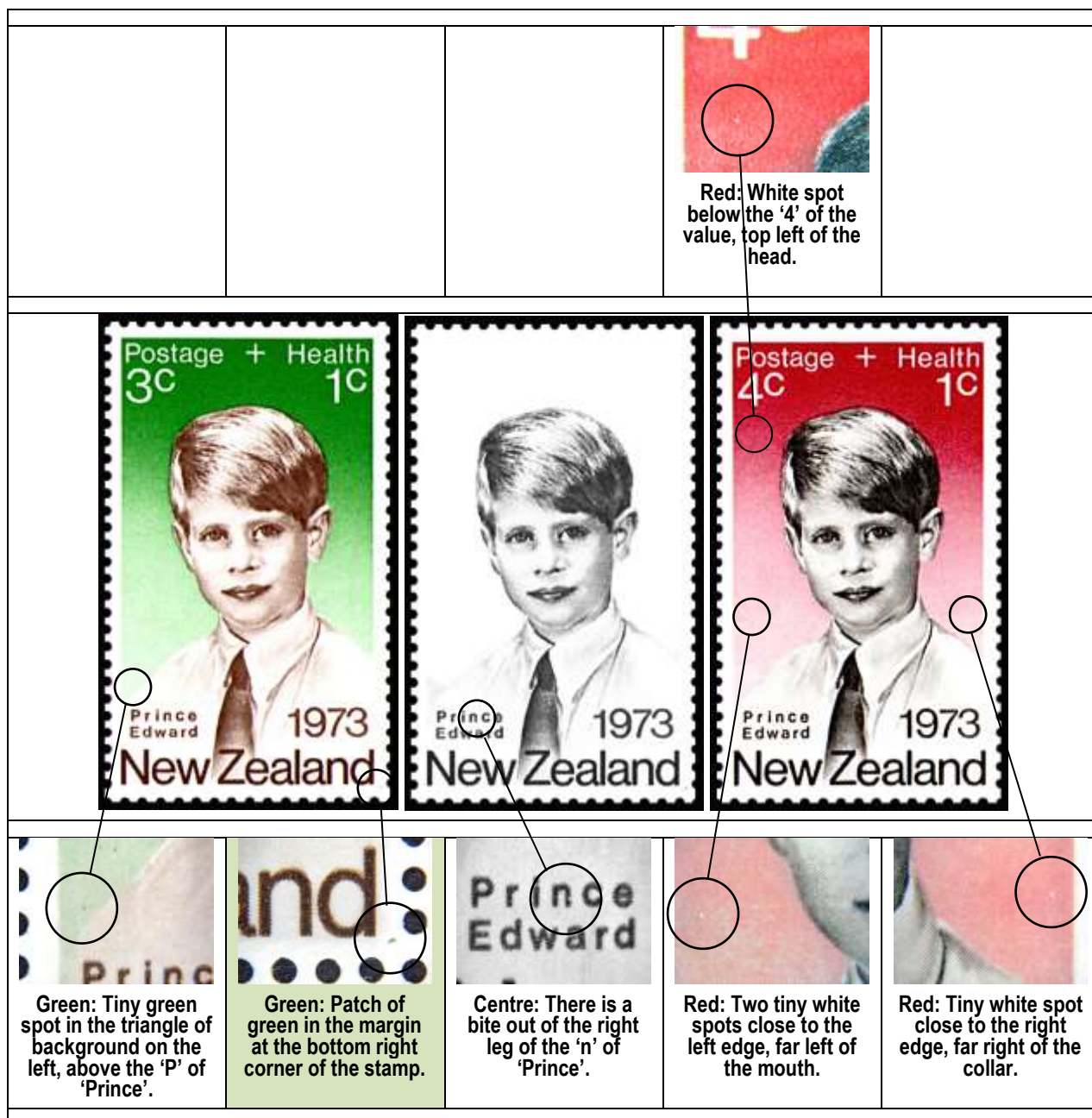
There is a convenient dark spot that will help identify this stamp, to be found just right of the 'w' of 'New' that almost connects the letter to the tie. It is small but unique. Note the interesting variety that affects the green 3c+1c background, taking the form of dark parallel lines, as scratches, running diagonally below or to the right of the '3^c'. Their presence is constant, albeit faint in some cases, but their form is not.



○	R7/7	Centre	Tiny dark spot sits between the 'w' at top right, and the tie, almost joining them.	L M3	
○	R7/7	Green	Series of five diagonal scratches affect the dark background between the value and the top left of the head. These are faint, but show best on the 3c+1c green background, each scratch is approximately 2mm long, arranged sloping bottom left to top right. There are a number of states to this variety, some lines appear more horizontal and are displaced further to the right.	B2-B3; C1-C2	
○	R7/7	Green	Tiny green spot 1mm left of the ear on the left.	F G2	
○	R7/7	Red	Tiny white spot 4mm below the upright of the '4' of '4 ^c '.	D1	
○	R7/7	Red	Tiny white spot on the right side of the head, 0.5mm from the right edge, top right of the ear.	E7 8	

Row 7/8 Variety Map

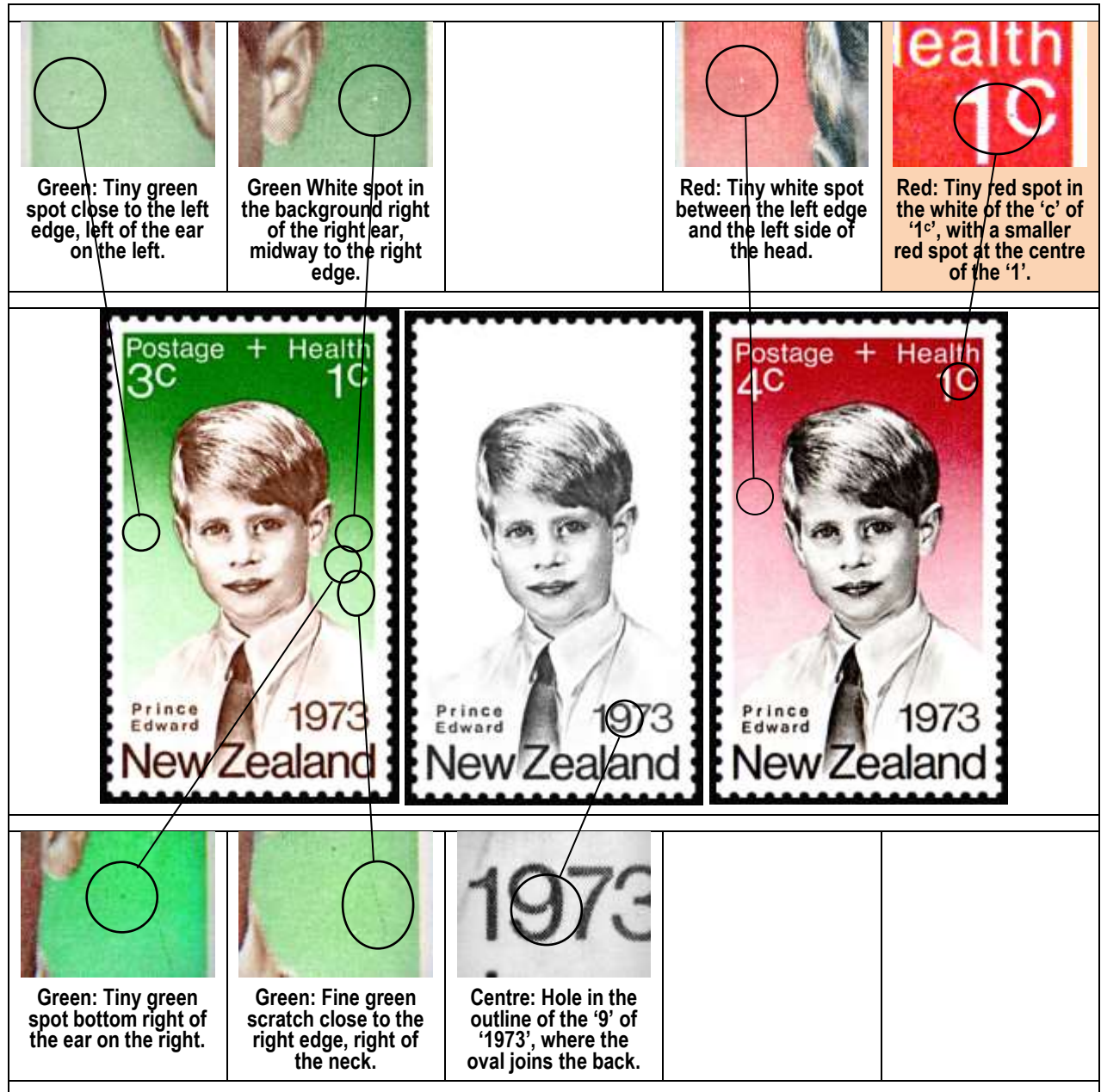
Look to the 'n' of 'Prince' where there is a bite out of the right leg causing a small indent in the outline of the letter. This is small, but reveals the location of this stamp. Also, on the green plate of the 3c+1c, there is a large green blob that sits in the margin in the bottom right corner. Unmistakable.



○	R7/8	Centre	Tiny bite out of the right leg of the 'n' of 'Prince'. Not prominent but significant because of its position.	K2	
○	R7/8	Green	Tiny green spot in the shading on the left, in the bottom left triangle, above the 'P' of 'Prince'.	J K1	
○	R7/8	Green	Prominent green spot in the margin in the bottom right corner.	M8	✓
○	R7/8	Red	Tiny white spot in the shading at top left, 1.5mm below the '4' of the value. This is quite prominent.	C1	
○	R7/8	Red	Two tiny white spots in the shading on the left, in a line level with the mouth, 1.5mm and 3mm from the face.	H2-H3	
○	R7/8	Red	Tiny white spot on the right side, level with the top of the collar, 0.5mm from the right edge, where screen dots are missing.	H7	

Row 7/9 Variety Map

The dark centre plate shows a white spot in the bottom right of the oval of the '9' of '1973' where it attaches to the curved back, small, but interesting. On the red plate of the 4c+1c, there are two red spots to be found, one small spot sits at the centre of the '1'; and the second at the back of the 'c', the latter being large and eye visible.



○	R7/9	Centre	Tiny white spot in the central arc of the '9' of '1973', as it joins the right side.	K L6	
○	R7/9	Green	Tiny green spot 1mm from the left edge, left of the ear.	F G1	
○	R7/9	Green	White spot midway between the ear on the right and the right edge.	F7	
○	R7/9	Green	Tiny green spot at the centre of the shading on the right, bottom right of the ear.	G7	
○	R7/9	Green	Faint, near vertical line, close to the right edge of the stamp, bottom right of the ear.	H7	
○	R7/9	Red	Tiny red spot at the centre of the 'c' of '1c', on its left side, together with a fine red spot at the centre of the '1'.	B7	✓
○	R7/9	Red	White spot between the left edge and the hairline, top left of the ear.	E1	

Row 7/10 Variety Map

This 3c+1c version of this stamp may be hard to plate as there are few varieties on the green and centre plates that will reveal its position. The red 4c+1c does not have that problem, with three prominent white spots around the wording at the top, and a diagonal scratch that appears in the background at lower right. This scratch consists of a series of red spots that forms a line from the shoulder to the right edge of the stamp.



○	R7/10	Centre	Tiny white spot on the tie just below the knot.	K4	
○	R7/10	Green	Tiny green spot 1mm from the left edge, level with the top of the shoulder.	I1	
○	R7/10	Red	Tiny white spot, faint, just top right of the 't' of 'Postage'.		
○	R7/10	Red	Disturbance as a series of white spots on the right, immediately left of the first 'H' of 'Health'.	A5	
○	R7/10	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm below the 'c' of '4c'.	B2	
○	R7/10	Red	Tiny white spot near the right edge, opposite the centre of the hair.	D7	
○	R7/10	Red	Faint red diagonal scratch bottom left to top right, touching the right frame, right of the collar. The scratch consists of a number of short elongated spots when seen under magnification.	H7-H8	

Row 8/1 Variety Map

It is the turn of the green 3c+1c plate to have significant varieties present, no less than three eye visible ones. However, look no further than the large white spot that sits between the right foot of the 'h' of 'Health' and the 'c' of '1c'. The other two white patches appear above the left shoulder. This leaves the red 4c+1c stamp difficult to plate as an individual, but the white spot above the 'a' of 'Health' helps.



○	R8/1	Centre	Dark spot in the neckline at the right side of the chin.	H5	
○	R8/1	Green	Large white spot below the right leg of the 'h' of 'Health', top right of the 'c' of '1c'. Eye visible.	A7	✓
○	R8/1	Green	Tiny white spot against the right edge level with the top of the neck.	H8	
○	R8/1	Green	Further white patch just above the shoulder on the left, above the 'e' of 'Prince'. This is much larger than the normal tiny white spots seen on this sheet. However the white patch is still hard to see with the naked eye as it sits against a light coloured background.	I2 3	✓
○	R8/1	Green	There is a white patch in the shading above the left shoulder, positioned above the 'Pr' of 'Prince', that also has two distinct green spots arranged vertically on its circumference.	J1	✓
○	R8/1	Red	Tiny white spot adjacent to the top edge above the 'a' of 'Health'.	A6	

Row 8/2 Variety Map

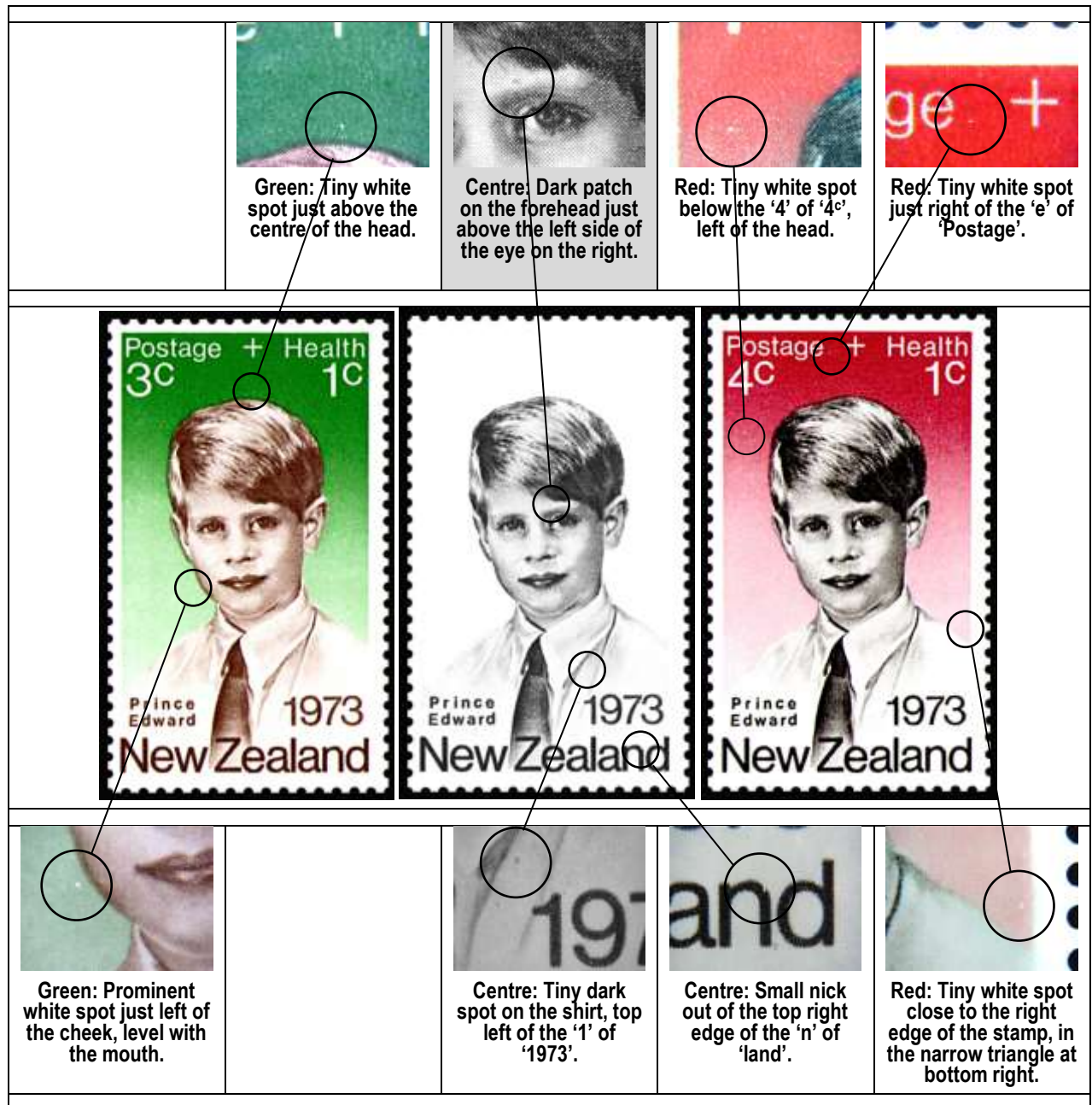
There are two white spots on the face that will help identify this stamp. These are positioned on the right side, one bottom right of the mouth just above the neckline; the second just left of the ear on the right. These are not spectacular but, in combination, are very useful, but a magnifying glass is still required to see them.

 Green: Tiny white spot left of the head, midway between the ear on the left and the left edge.			 Red: Column of tiny white spots above the centre of the head, the topmost being large.	
 Green: Tiny green spot in the background above the shoulder on the left.	 Centre: Tiny dark spot just below the 'wa' of 'Edward' and above the 'e' of 'New'.	 Centre: Tiny white spot on the right side of the cheek, close to the neck.	 Centre: Further tiny white spot on the cheek, just left of the bottom of the ear on the right.	

○	R8/2	Centre	Tiny white spot at the edge of the cheek on the right, level with the lobe of the ear.	G6	
○	R8/2	Centre	Further tiny white spot on the chin line, where the chin meets the neck on the right.	H5	
○	R8/2	Centre	Faint tiny dark spot between the 'wa' of 'Edward' and the top of the 'e' of 'New'.	L2	
○	R8/2	Green	Tiny white spot midway between the ear on the left and the left edge.	G1 2	
○	R8/2	Green	Tiny green spot in the shading at bottom left, 3mm above the shoulder, 1mm from the left edge.	I J1	
○	R8/2	Red	Two close tiny white spots immediately above the centre of the head.	B4	

Row 8/3 Variety Map

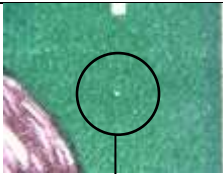
On the centre dark coloured plate, there is a darker patch on the Prince's forehead above the left end of the eye on the right. This is not a spot, but a patch of darker screen dots that form a bruise above the eyebrow.



○	R8/3	Centre	Dark patch on the forehead above the left end of the eye on the right. Not a spot, but a patch of diffused screen dots that may be overlooked as normal shading.	F4	✓
○	R8/3	Centre	Tiny dark spot 1mm left of the top of the '1' of '1973'.	K5	
○	R8/3	Centre	Tiny white spot as a bite out of the top right edge of the 'n' of 'land'.	L M7	
○	R8/3	Green	Tiny white spot just above the centre line of the head, below the '+' symbol.	B4	
○	R8/3	Green	Tiny white spot just left of the cheek on the left, level with the mouth.	H3	
○	R8/3	Red	Tiny white spot just right of the 'e' of 'Postage'.	A4	
○	R8/3	Red	Tiny white spot on the left side, 3mm below the '4' of the value '4c'.	C D1	
○	R8/3	Red	Tiny white spot in the shading in the triangle at bottom right, above the right end of the shoulder. Semi constant, but pronounced here.	I7	

Row 8/4 Variety Map

There are several white and dark spots to be found on the face. Perhaps the nick out of the upper edge of the horizontal bar of the 'e' of 'Zeal' is best placed to represent this stamp, but the white spots found on the face that will confirm this plate position.

				
	Green: White spot below the '1' of the value '1c'.	Centre: Two tiny white spots on the face, right of the mouth; one on the chin at bottom right.	Centre: Two tiny white spots just left of the ear on the right.	Red: Tiny white spot between the '+' symbol and the 'H' of 'Health'.
				
				
	Centre: Small spur from the left edge of the tie, level with the 'e' of 'Prince'.	Centre: Small nick out of the upper edge of the horizontal bar of the 'e' of 'Zeal'.	Centre: Tiny white spot at the centre of the 'l' of 'land', biased to the right side.	Red: Tiny red spot in the background, just right of the collar on the right.

○	R8/4	Centre	Two tiny white spots on the right side of the face, just left of the ear on the right. The upper white spot being just right of the eye.	F5, F6	
○	R8/4	Centre	Tiny white spot on the right side of the mouth and a further tiny white spot just on the lower right edge of the chin.	H5	
○	R8/4	Centre	Small spur from the left edge of the tie, opposite the 'e' of 'Prince'.	K3	
○	R8/4	Centre	Small nick out of the upper edge of the horizontal bar of the 'e' of 'Zeal'.	M2	
○	R8/4	Centre	Tiny white spot at the centre of the 'l' of 'land'.	M5 6	
○	R8/4	Green	Tiny white spot in the dark shading at top right, 2mm below the '1' of '1c'.	C7	
○	R8/4	Red	Tiny white spot between the '+' symbol and the 'H' of 'Health'.	A5	
○	R8/4	Red	Tiny red spot just right of the collar on the right.	H6	

Row 8/5 Variety Map

To identify this stamp, look to the tie. There are two white spots to be found, one just above the top bar of the 'Z' of 'Zeal' but this is not unique, however the white spot at the centre of the knot is and can be used to plate this stamp position.

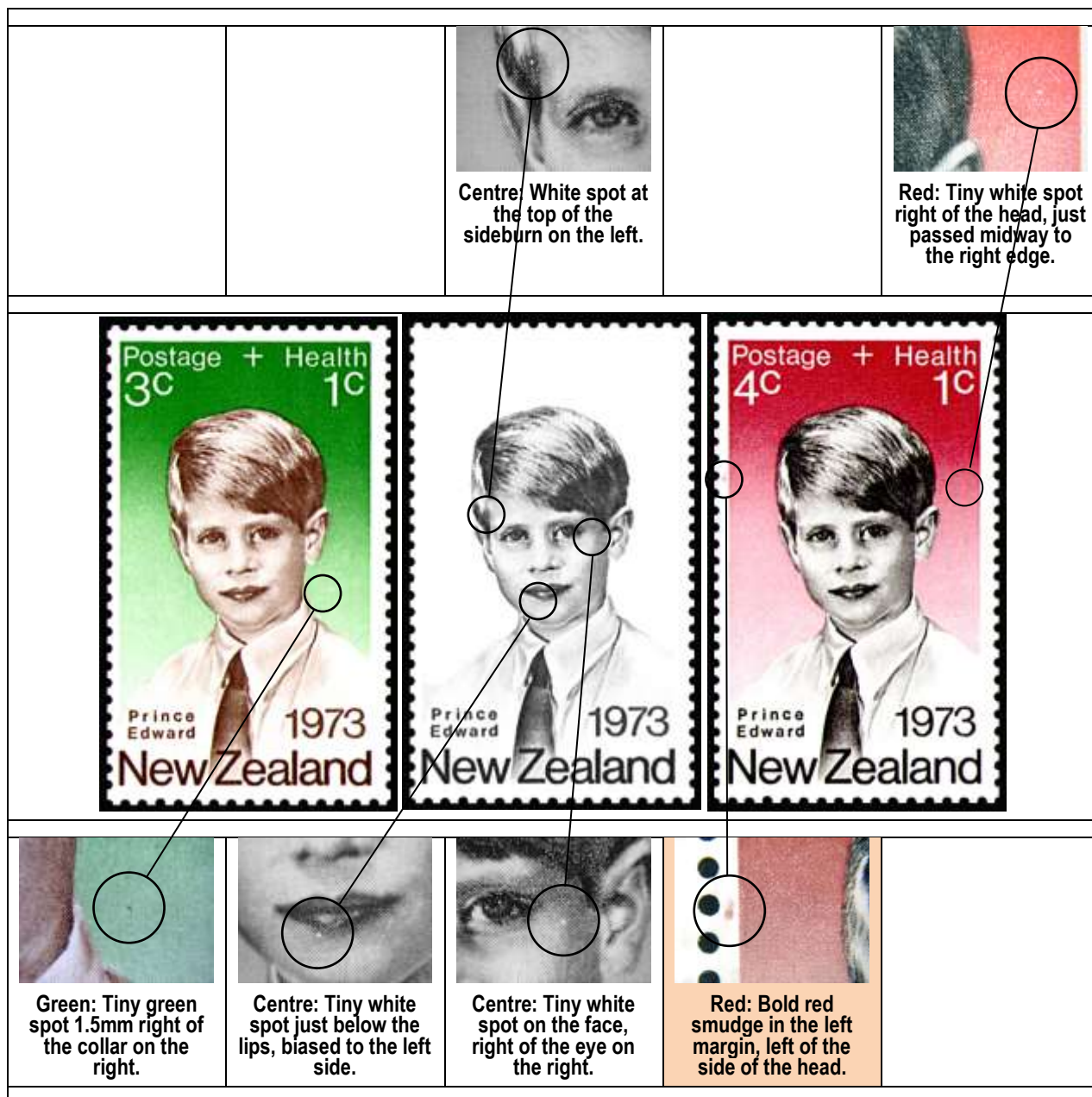


○	R8/5	Centre	Tiny white spot on the right edge of the eyebrow on the right, by the hairline.	F5	
○	R8/5	Centre	Small indent, as a white spot, just left of centre on the upper lip.	H4	
○	R8/5	Centre	Tiny white spot at the centre of the knot of the tie.	J4	
○	R8/5	Centre	Two close tiny dark spots on the collar on the right, top right of its lowest point.	J5	
○	R8/5	Centre	Tiny white spot on the tie, just above the 'Z' of 'Zeal'.	L3 4	
○	R8/5	Red	Faint tiny white spot, just right of the hairline at far right.	D6	

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Row 8/6 Variety Map

Against the face there are a number of white spots that can be used to plate this stamp. Perhaps the white spot just below the lips is a good variety to check for. On the red 4c+1c stamp, there is a large flaw, as a red smudge in the left margin alongside the left side of the head. This is unmistakable and unique.

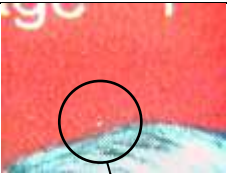


○	R8/6	Centre	Tiny white spot in the hair, just above the ear on the left.	F2	
○	R8/6	Centre	Tiny white spot in the dark shading bottom right of the eye on the right.	F5	
○	R8/6	Centre	Tiny white spot on the lower edge of the mouth, just left of centre.	H4	
○	R8/6	Green	Tiny green spot 1.5mm right of the collar on the right.	H6	
○	R8/6	Red	Large red smudge in the left margin, left of the left side of the head.	D E0	✓
○	R8/6	Red	Tiny white spot on the right side of the head. 1.5mm from the right edge.	E7	

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Row 8/7 Variety Map

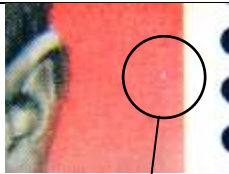
White and coloured spots are all that this stamp reveals. The white spot on the nose, right of centre, is appropriate to search for to help plating, but it is necessary to confirm with the presence of one or more of the other varieties.

			 Red: Tiny white spot just above the head, way below the 'e' of 'Postage'.	 Red: Tiny white spot below the 'c' of '1c' level with the base of the '1'.
				
 Green: Tiny green spot in the background on the left, left of the mouth.	 Green: Tiny white spot above the centre of the shoulder on the right.	 Centre: Tiny white spot on the right side of the nose		 Red: Tiny white spot just below the earlobe on the right.

○	R8/7	Centre	Tiny white spot in the shading on the right side of the nose.	F G4	
○	R8/7	Green	Tiny green spot in the shading on the left of the face, 1.5mm left of the cheek, level with the mouth.	H2	
○	R8/7	Green	Tiny white spot 1mm above the centre of the shoulder on the right.	I7	
○	R8/7	Red	Tiny white spot in the shading just above the centre of the hairline at top.	B3	
○	R8/7	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm below the 'c' of '1c'.	B7	
○	R8/7	Red	Tiny white spot just below the earlobe on the right.	G6	

Row 8/8 Variety Map

There are few varieties on this stamp with no significant ones present. With the use of a magnifying glass, look for the tiny white spot between the 'w' of 'New' and 'Z' of 'Zeal', couple that with the tiny white spot just below the chin, to identify this plate position.

			 Red: Tiny white spot between the '+' symbol and the 'H' of 'Health'.	 Red: Tiny white spot close to the right edge of the stamp, right of the ear in the right.
 Green: Two tiny green spots in the background left of the neck.	 Centre: Tiny white spot just below the chin, biased towards the left side.	 Centre: Tiny white spot on the tie, left of the centre of the 'Z' of 'Zeal'.		

○	R8/8	Centre	Tiny white spot on the neck, just left of the point of the chin.	I4	
○	R8/8	Centre	Tiny white spot on the tie, between the 'w' of 'New' and 'Z' of 'Zeal'.	M3	
○	R8/8	Green	Two tiny green spots in the shading left of the neck, at 1.5mm and 2mm.	J2	
○	R8/8	Red	Tiny white spot between the '+' symbol and the 'H' of 'Health'.	A5	
○	R8/8	Red	Faint tiny white spot bottom right of the '+' symbol.	B4	
○	R8/8	Red	Tiny white spot just short of the right edge, right of the top of the ear in the right.	E F7	

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Row 8/9 Variety Map

The author can find only a few varieties for this stamp position that will differentiate it from others. With a magnifying glass, the collector will need to search for these. The dark spot on the centre plate above the '97' is very small, but the white spot on the red plate of the 4c+1c is readily seen, albeit there are many white spots on other stamps in this area so be careful.

				
				
		Centre: Tiny dark spot 2mm above the '97' of the year '1973'.	Red: Tiny white spot in the background, just bottom left of the ear on the left.	

○	R8/9	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the shoulder on the right, 2mm above the '97' of '1973'. This is small, but does not vary in intensity between examples.	J6	
○	R8/9	Red	Tiny white spot in the shading just below the ear on the left. This is quite large.	G2	

Row 8/10 Variety Map

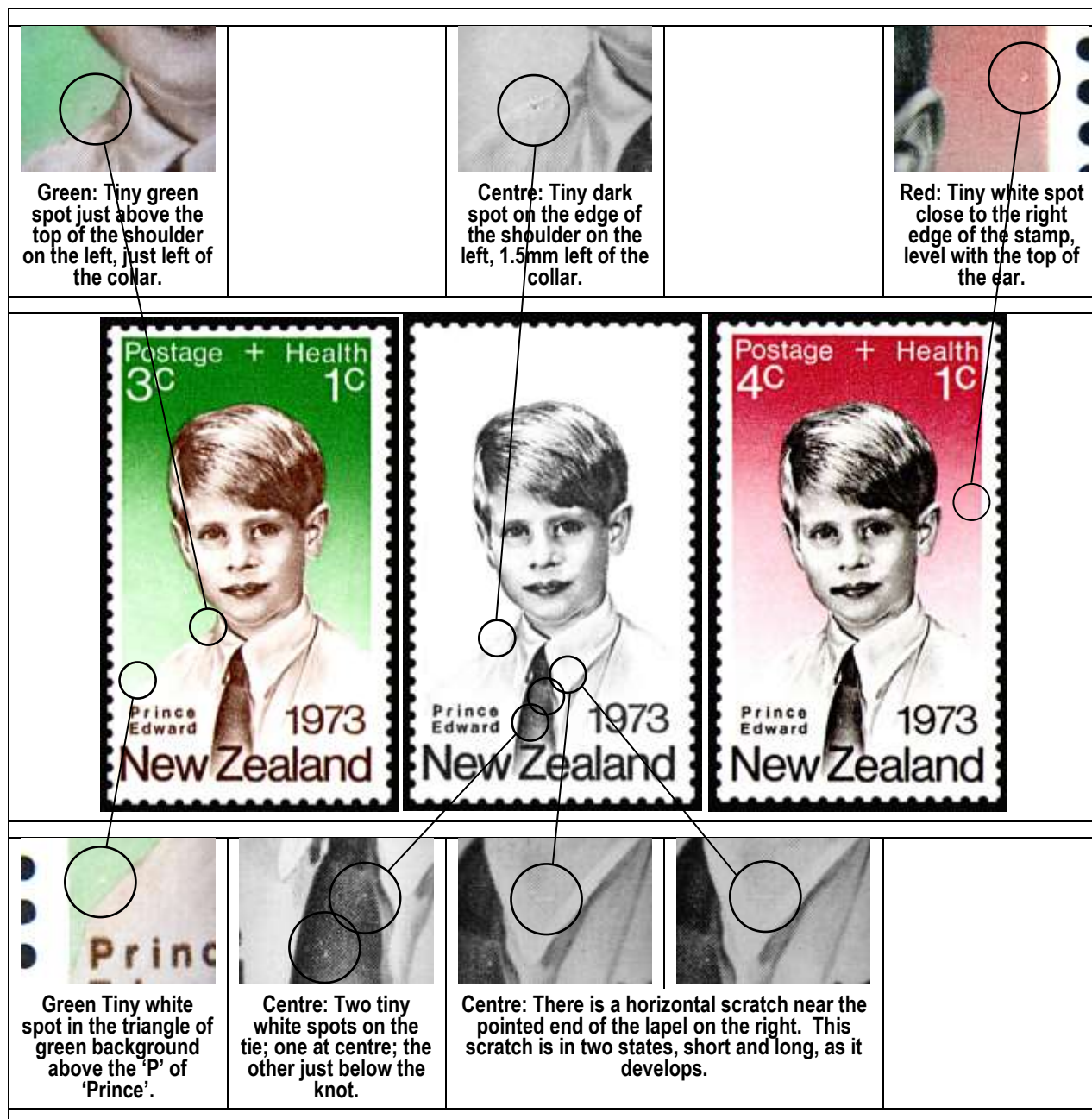
There are no constant spots on the centre plate, leaving the collector to identify the green and red plates individually. There are no varieties that make this stamp stand out from others, and those below just add to many other stamps with white spots in and around this area. Take care when trying to plate this position, to try and identify other flaws on your stamp that do not show here, if there are any, it is not this stamp. Perhaps, plating by elimination.

				 Red: tiny white spot right of the top of the ear on the right, just above its centre.
				
 Green: White spot in the green background on the left, above the centre of the shoulder.				 Red: Tiny white spot in the background left of the face, level with the mouth.

○	R8/10	Centre	Tiny dark spot in the shading at lower left, 3mm above the shoulder, vertically above the 'i' of 'Prince'.	l1 2	
○	R8/10	Red	Tiny white spot in the shading right of the ear in the right, midway to the right edge.	F7	
○	R8/10	Red	Tiny white spot in the shading on the left, 1.5mm left of the face, on the same level as the mouth.	H2	

Row 9/1 Variety Map

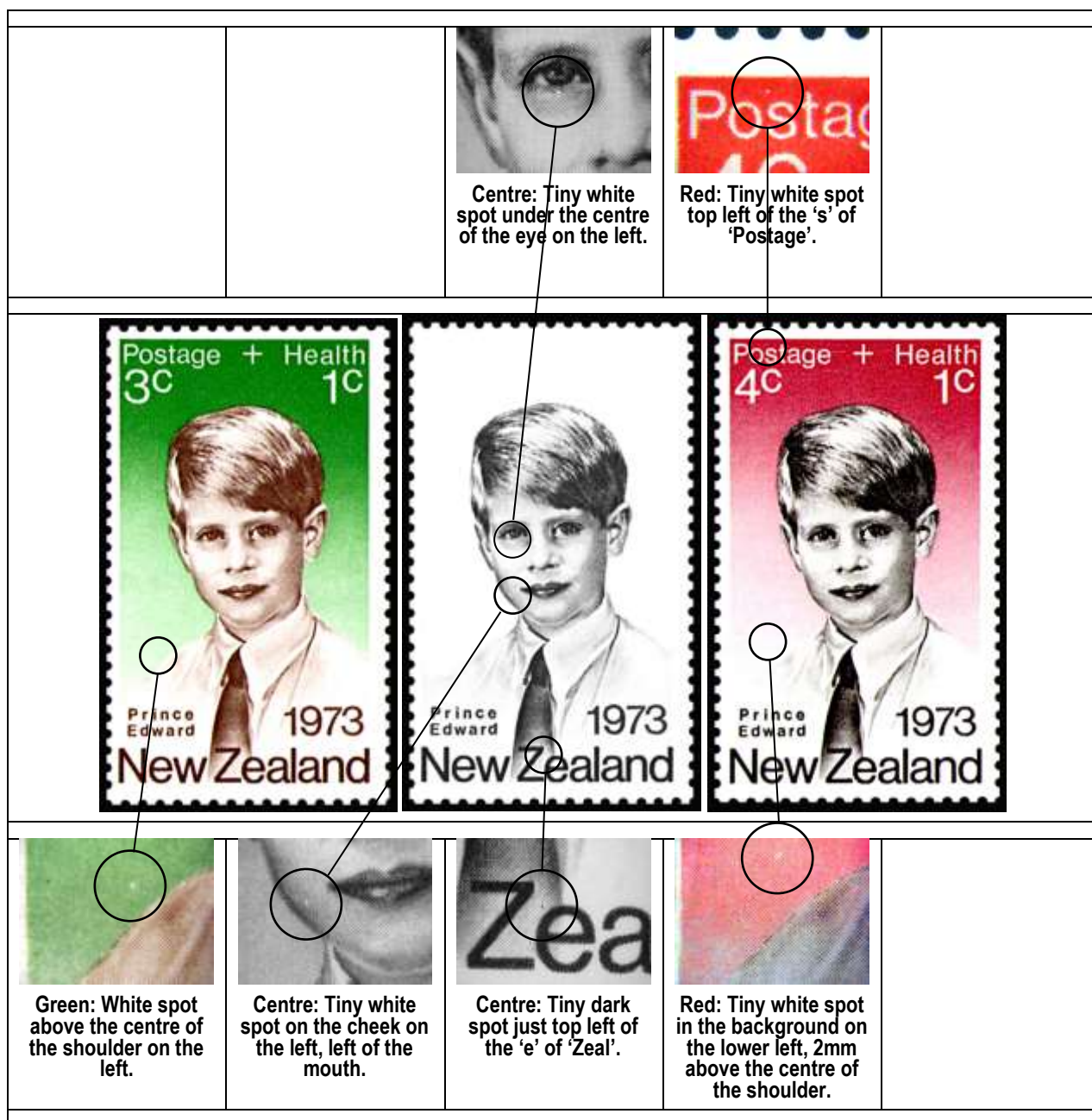
The white spots on the tie, although quite visible, are not unique. On the lapel on the right there is a horizontal scratch that affects a line of screen dots, merging them into a white line. As this is set against a light background it is therefore not visible readily even under magnification; but this is unique to this stamp.



○	R9/1	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the edge of the shoulder on the left, 1.5mm left of the collar.	I3	
○	R9/1	Centre	Short white scratch on the lower point of the collar on the right, as a buttonhole. This elongates on some examples as if still developing.	J4-J5	
○	R9/1	Centre	Two tiny white spots on the tie, the lower white spot is 2mm above the top of the 'Z' of 'Zeal'; the upper white spot is just below the knot on the right side.	K4 K L4	
○	R9/1	Green	Tiny green spot just left of the collar on the left.	I3	
○	R9/1	Green	Tiny white spot just above the shoulder on the left, above the 'P' of 'Prince'.	J K1	
○	R9/1	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm from the right edge, right of the top of the ear.	E7	

Row 9/2 Variety Map

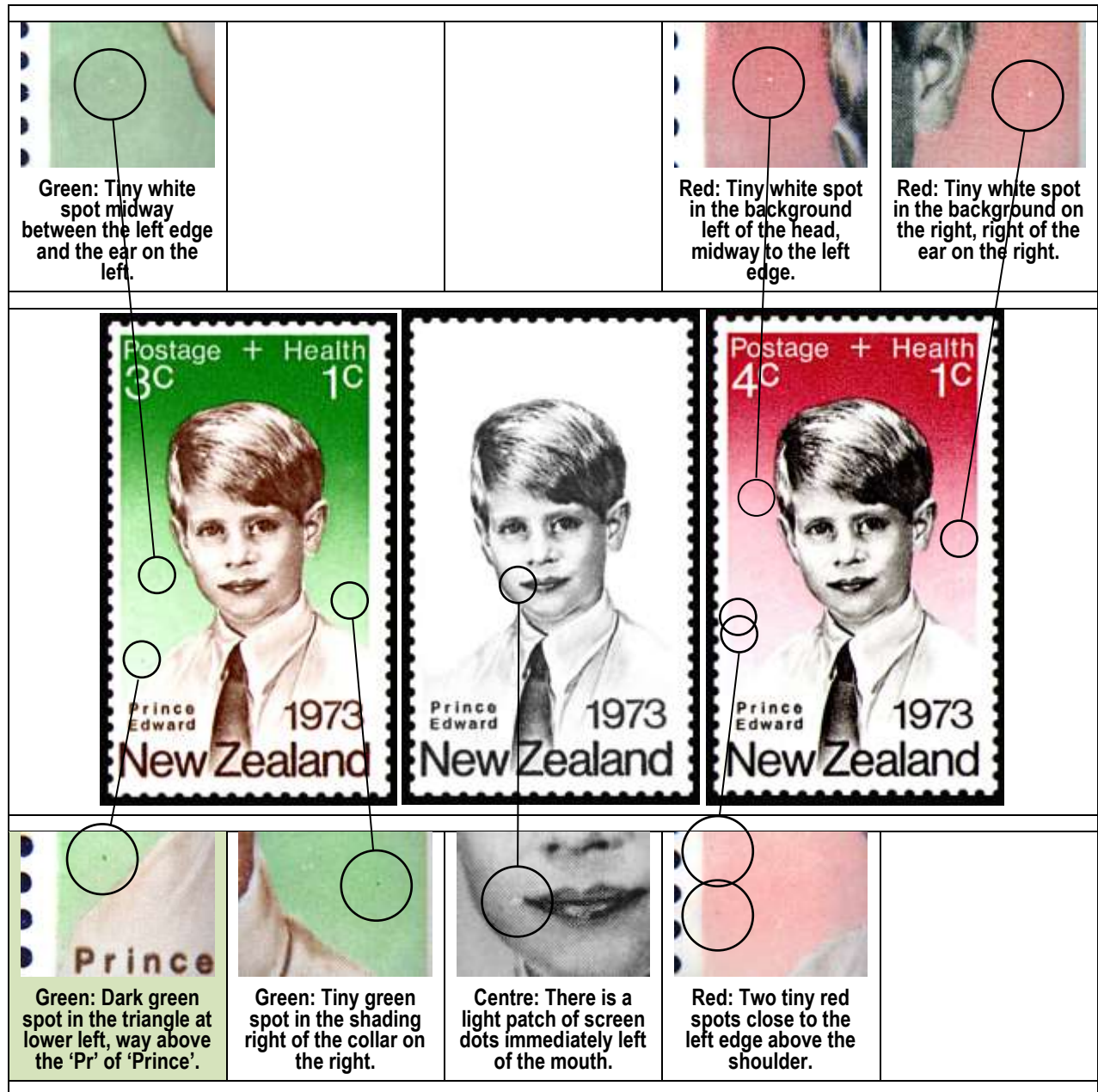
Look to the eye on the left to find a tiny white spot just below the centre of the pupil, cutting through the lower eyelashes. This spot is small but is unique to this stamp.



○	R9/2	Centre	White fleck on the lower edge of the eye on the left.	F3	
○	R9/2	Centre	Tiny white spot on the cheek on the left, bottom left of the corner of the mouth.	H3	
○	R9/2	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the tie, top left of the 'e' of 'Zeal'.	L M4	
○	R9/2	Green	Tiny white spot in the shading at lower left, 1mm above the centre of the shoulder.	I2	
○	R9/2	Red	Tiny white spot top left of the 's' of 'Postage'.	A1 2	
○	R9/2	Red	Tiny white spot in the light shading, 2mm above the centre of the shoulder on the left.	I1 2	

Row 9/3 Variety Map

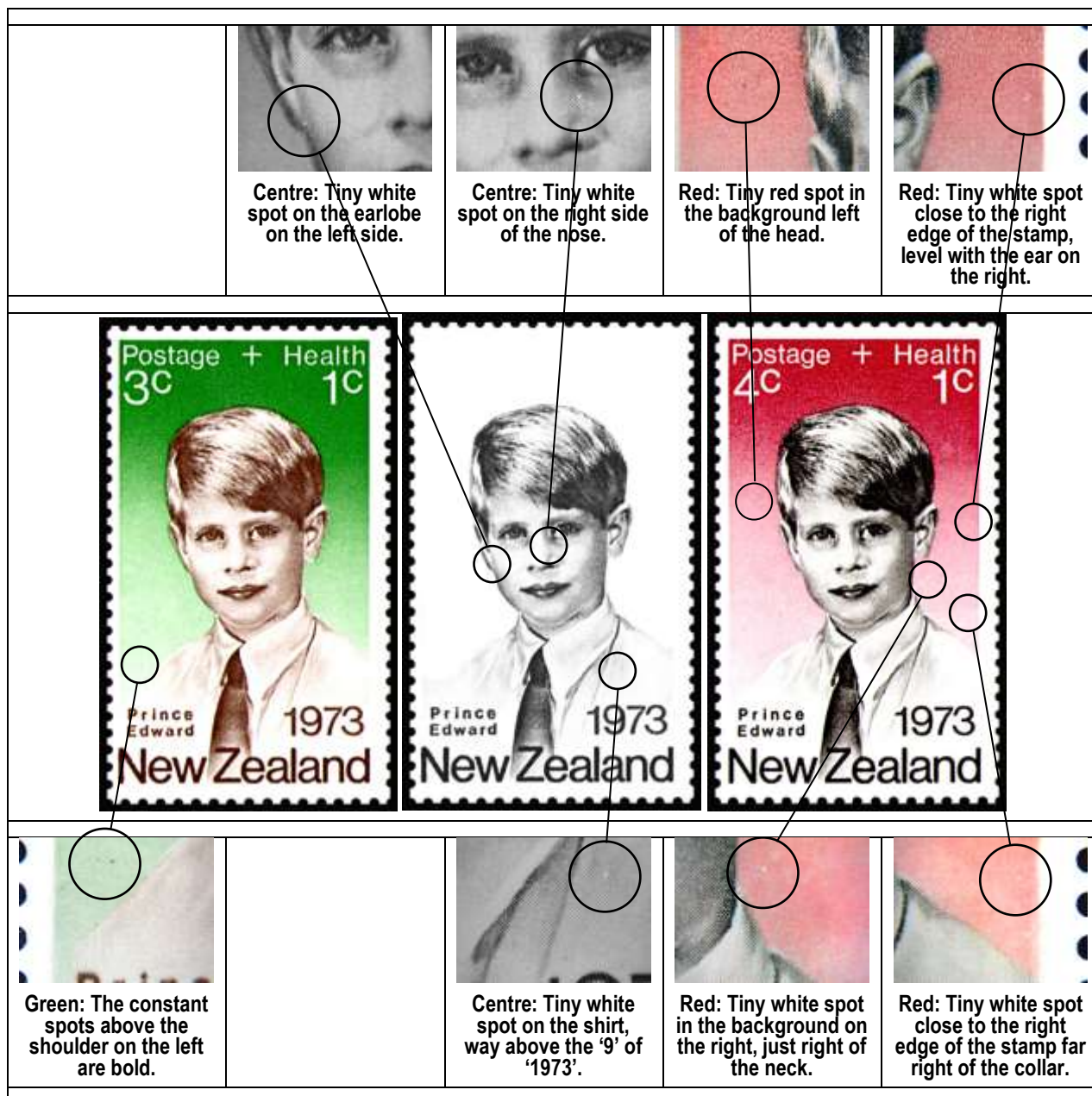
Whilst the most prominent spot here affects the green of the 3c+1c, just above the shoulder on the left, it only identifies one of the two stamps at this position. Hence, look to the left of the mouth, where the screen dots are faint, causing a light patch extending the smile to the left.



○	R9/3	Centre	The mouth is elongated to the left by a small light patch in the shading.	H3	
○	R9/3	Green	Tiny white spot on the left side, midway between the face and the left edge, on the same level as the mouth.	H2	
○	R9/3	Green	Tiny green spot in the shading in the right, 3mm from the collar on the right, 1.5mm left of the right edge of the stamp.	H7	
○	R9/3	Green	Prominent green spot in the shading 1.5mm above the shoulder on the left, above the 'Pr' of 'Prince'. This is the constant spot but is very prominent here.	J1	✓
○	R9/3	Red	Tiny white spot in the shading left of the head, midway to the left edge.	E1	
○	R9/3	Red	Tiny white spot in the shading on the right, 2mm right of the ear on the right.	F7	
○	R9/3	Red	Two tiny red spots near the left edge, 7mm above the edge of the shoulder; the second spot is 3mm above that.	G1, H1	

Row 9/4 Variety Map

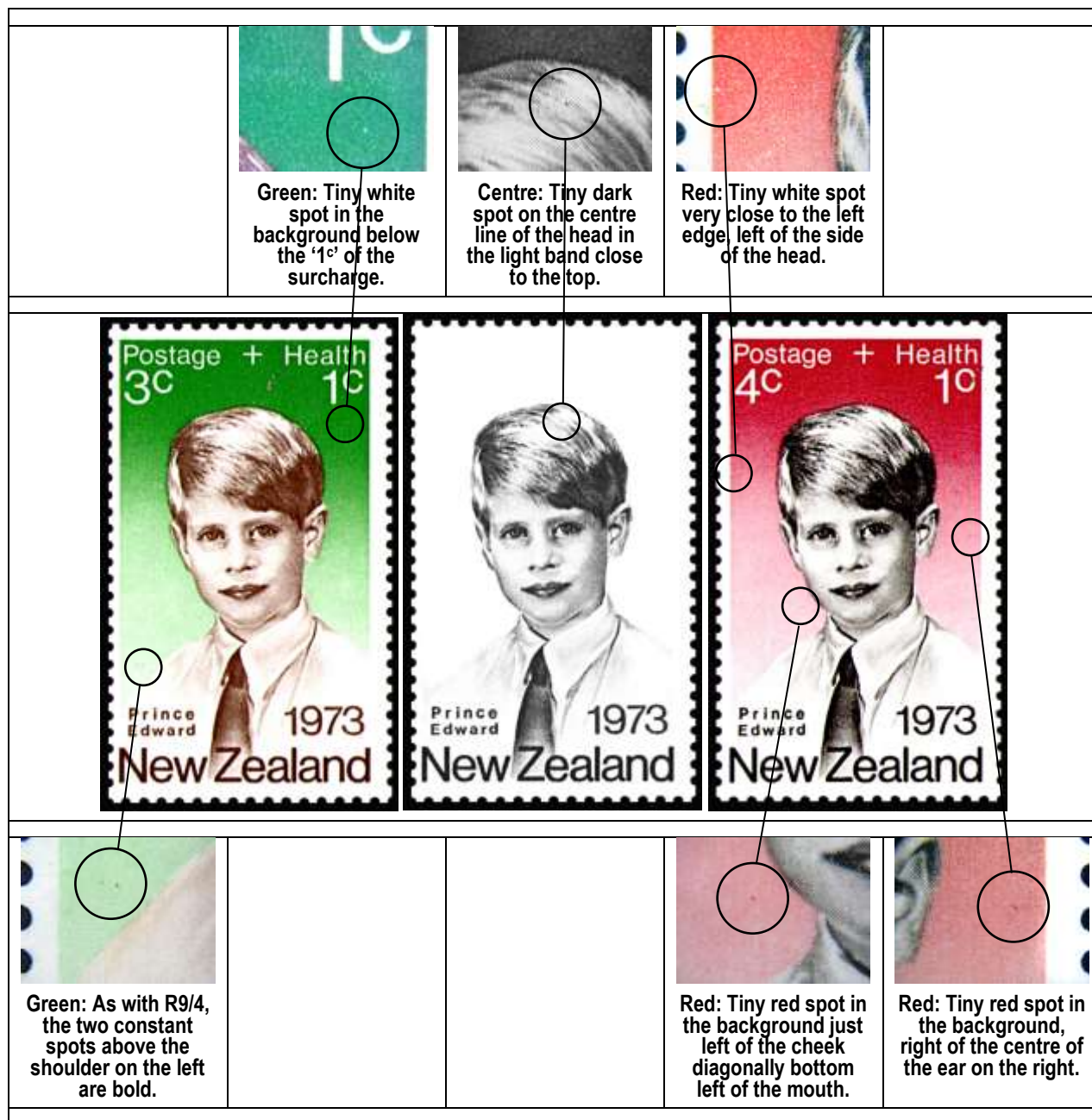
Use a combination of the two white spots on the face to identify this plate position. Look to the nose and a white spot that sits on the right side above the nostril on the right; then look for a white spot on the earlobe of the ear on the left. If both are present, then you have identified this plate position.



○	R9/4	Centre	Tiny white spot just right of the bridge of the nose.	F G4	
○	R9/4	Centre	Tiny white spot just below the earlobe on the left, on the left edge of the face.	G2 3	
○	R9/4	Centre	Tiny white spot on the shoulder on the right, 3mm above the '9' of '1973', inside of the darker shading.	J6	
○	R9/4	Green	The constant spots above the shoulder on the left are prominent, but not as strong as that seen on the stamp at row 9/3.	J1	
○	R9/4	Red	Tiny white spot 0.5mm from the right edge of the stamp, right of the ear on the right.	E F7	
○	R9/4	Red	Dark spot in the shading left of the head, midway to the left edge.	E1	
○	R9/4	Red	Tiny white spot just top right of the neck, in the background.	H6	
○	R9/4	Red	Tiny white spot close to the right edge of the stamp, just top left of the constant white spot in the lower right corner of the light pink shading.	H7	

Row 9/5 Variety Map

The one dark spot that affects the centre plate is relatively easy to find, once you know where to look, but take care as other stamps on the sheet show dark spots in the hair around this position. Use this spot in conjunction with those seen on the green and red plates, especially the white spot on the red plate that clips the left edge, left of the head.



○	R9/5	Centre	Dark spot in the hair, near the top of the head, bottom right of the '+' symbol.	C4	
○	R9/5	Green	Tiny white spot in the dark background at top right, 1.5mm below the centre of the '1c'.		
○	R9/5	Green	The two constant green spots above the left shoulder are both prominent.	J1	
○	R9/5	Red	Tiny white spot on the left edge of the stamp, just below the level of the top of the parting in the hair.	D1	
○	R9/5	Red	Tiny red spot 0.5mm short of the right edge of the stamp, level with the centre of the ear on the right.	F8	
○	R9/5	Red	Tiny red spot in the shading left of the chin, 1.5mm from the edge of the chin.	H2	

Row 9/6 Variety Map

Many white spots that affect the centre plate, it is best to check for the presence of a number of them to identify this plate position. In red look no further than the 'e' of 'Postage' to see a white patch on the nose.

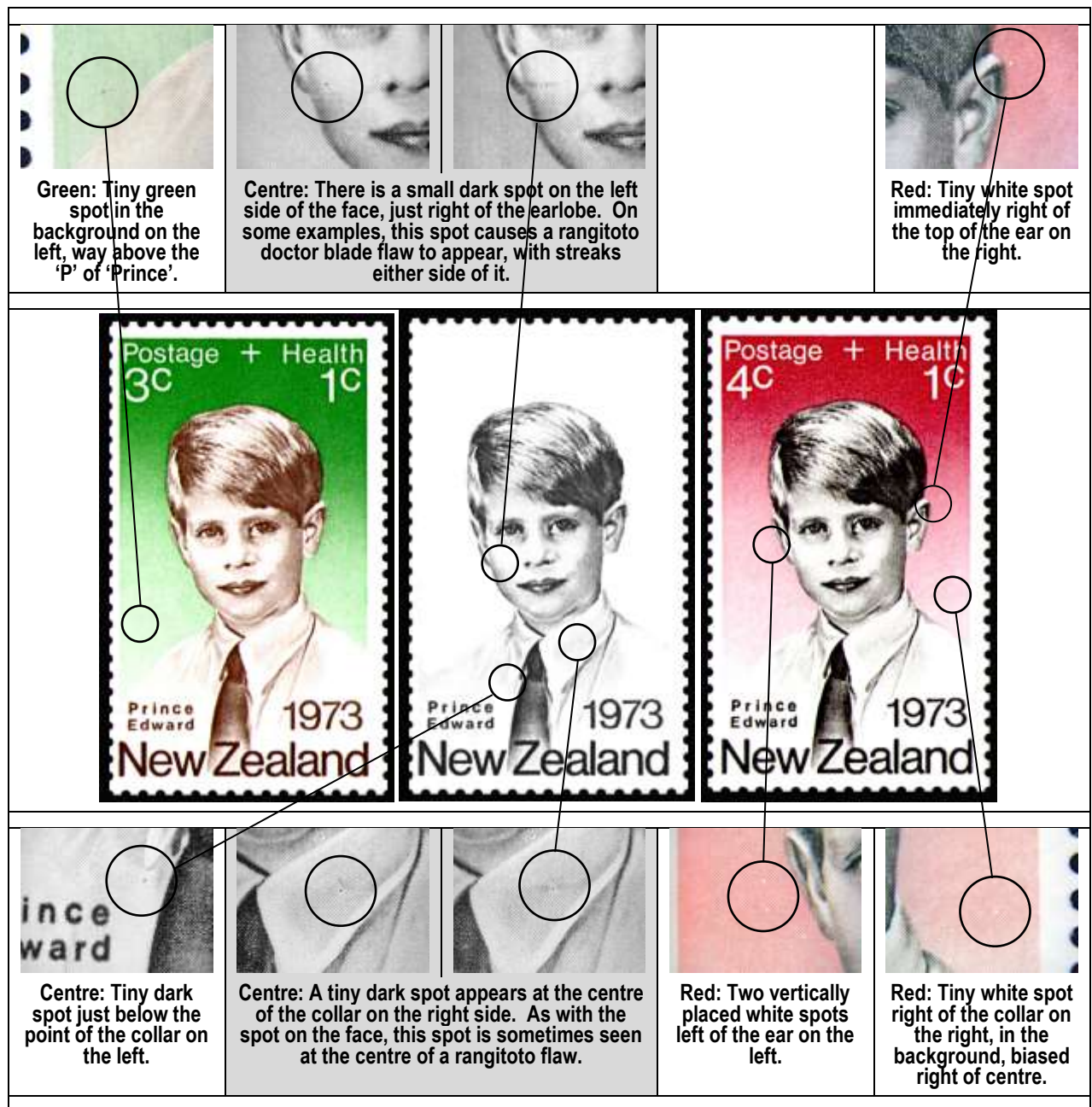


○	R9/6	Centre	Tiny white spot in the hair on the right side.	D5	
○	R9/6	Centre	Tiny white spot on the neck, just above the collar on the left.	I4	
○	R9/6	Centre	Tiny white spot on the shirt, just left of the edge of the collar on the left, top left of the point by the tie.	J3	
○	R9/6	Centre	Tiny white spot at the top of the knot in the tie.	J4	
○	R9/6	Centre	Two tiny white spots in the shading on the shirt, above the '9' of '1973'.	J6	
○	R9/6	Centre	The shading between the 'a' and 'r' of 'Edward' is darker than normal, with a short horizontal line at the base of this dark shading.	L2	
○	R9/6	Green	Tiny white spot in the shading on the right, between ear and the right edge.	E7	
○	R9/6	Red	The inside of the top arc of the 'e' of 'Postage' is partly missing the red.	A3	✓
○	R9/6	Red	Tiny white spot below the '1c' at top right, right of the foot of the '1'.	B7	
○	R9/6	Red	Tiny white spot just above the ear on the right.	E6	
○	R9/6	Red	Three tiny white spots in the shading left of the ear on the left.	F G2,G2	

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Row 9/7 Variety Map

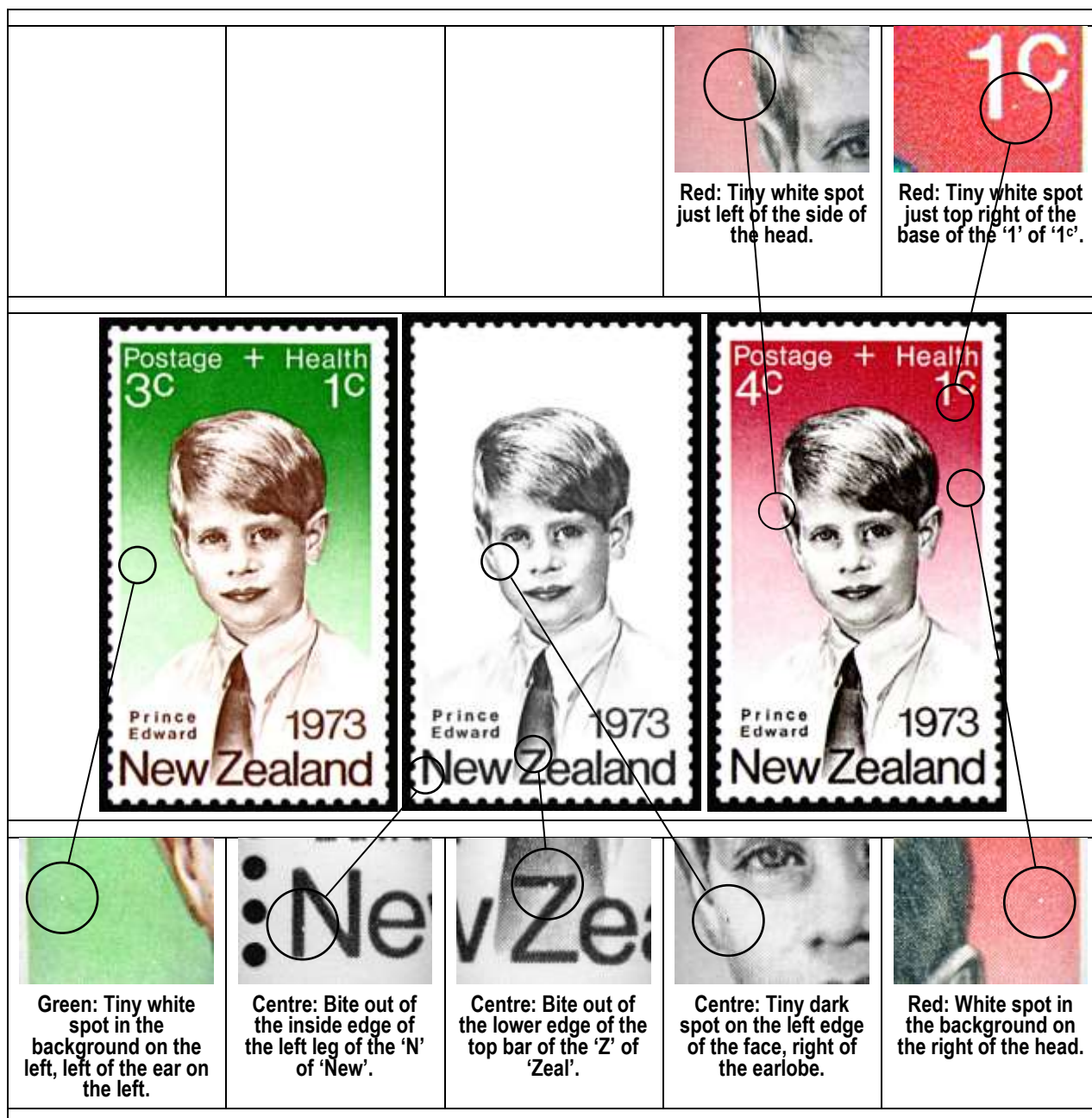
This stamp is unique in showing two dark spots that turn into rangitoto flaws, that can be collected in the two states. These spots appear on the left side of the face; and on the collar on the right.



○	R9/7	Centre	There is a dark spot on the cheek, close to the earlobe on the left. On some examples this spot elongates into what looks like a small Rangitoto doctor blade flaw.	G3	✓
○	R9/7	Centre	There is a second small dark spot to be seen. This spot appears at the centre of the collar on the right. On some examples this dark spot has a white surround, whilst on others it appears as a Rangitoto doctor blade.	I5	✓
○	R9/7	Centre	Small dark spot in the shirt, pointed to by the tip of the collar on the left of the tie.	K3	
○	R9/7	Green	Tiny green spot close to the left edge, 5mm above the 'P' of 'Prince'.	I1	
○	R9/7	Red	Tiny white spot just right of the top of the ear on the right.	E7	
○	R9/7	Red	Two tiny white spots arranged vertically in the shading left of the ear.	F2-G2	
○	R9/7	Red	Two tiny white spots arranged vertically, above the shoulder on the right, 1.5mm from the right edge.	H7-I7	

Row 9/8 Variety Map

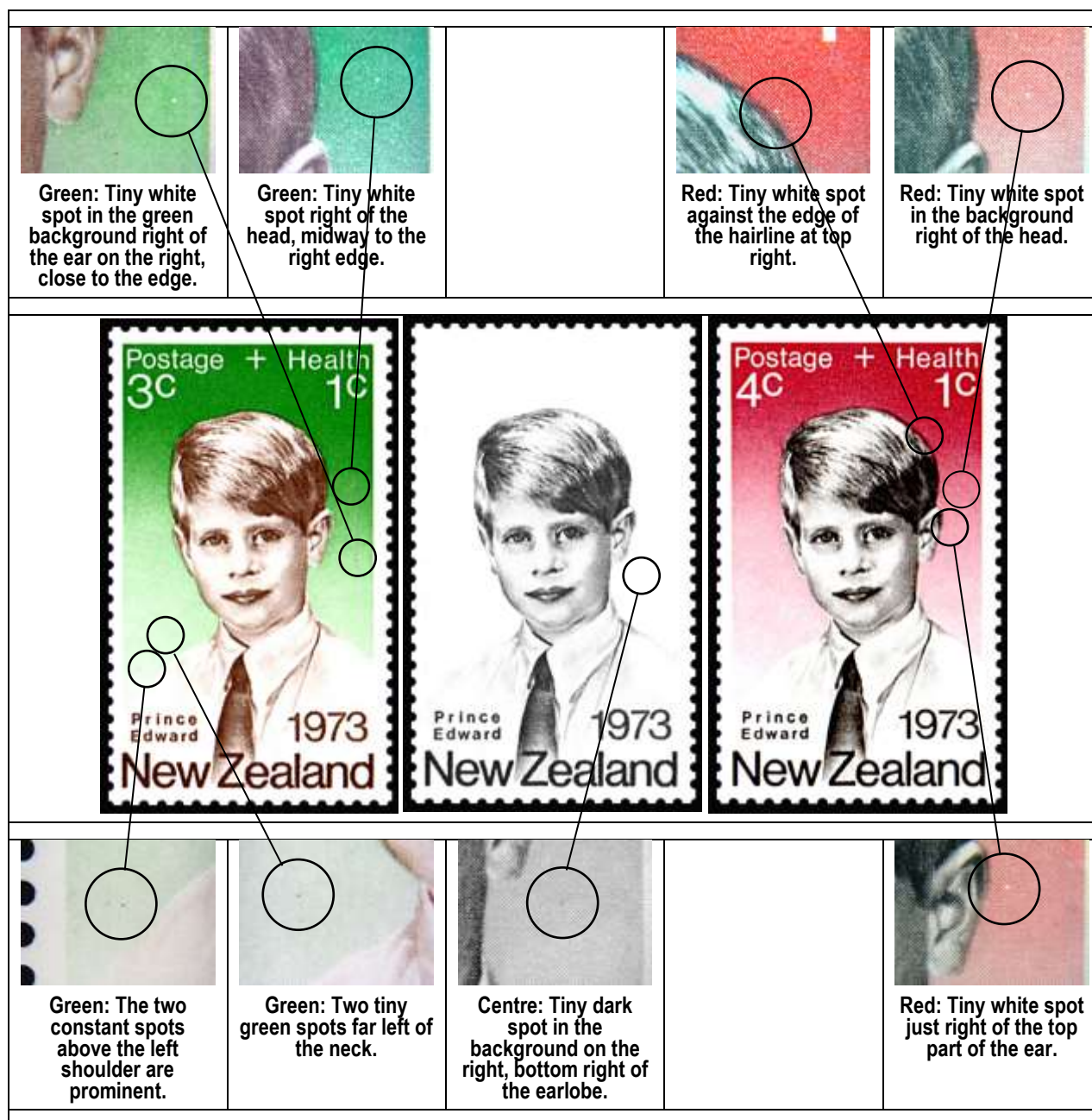
The 'N' of 'New' and 'Z' of 'Zeal' both have bites out of their edges that malforms the characters. The bites are caused by white spots sitting on the edge of the letters, causing indents. These are constant, small and unique and no other clue is needed to plate this stamp position. .



○	R9/8	Centre	Dark spot on the left edge of the cheek, right of the earlobe.	G3	
○	R9/8	Centre	Small bite out of the lower edge of the top bar of the 'Z' of 'Zeal'.	L4	
○	R9/8	Centre	Small bite out of the right edge of the left leg of the 'N' of 'New', at centre.	M1	
○	R9/8	Green	Tiny white spot 1mm from the left edge, level with the bottom of the ear.	F1	
○	R9/8	Red	Tiny white spot just right of the foot of the '1' of '1c'.	B7	
○	R9/8	Red	Tiny white spot close to the edge of the hairline, just above the ear on the left.	E2	
○	R9/8	Red	Tiny white spot in the shading on the right, midway between the hairline and the right edge, top right of the ear.	E7	

Row 9/9 Variety Map

The dark spot that appears in the background on the right of the right ear, in the green or red, is difficult to see. The collector needs to compare the subject stamp against the small varieties listed here. For red, that is the white spot just right of the ear on the right; for green this is the white spot right of the side of the head that sits in the dark green colour.

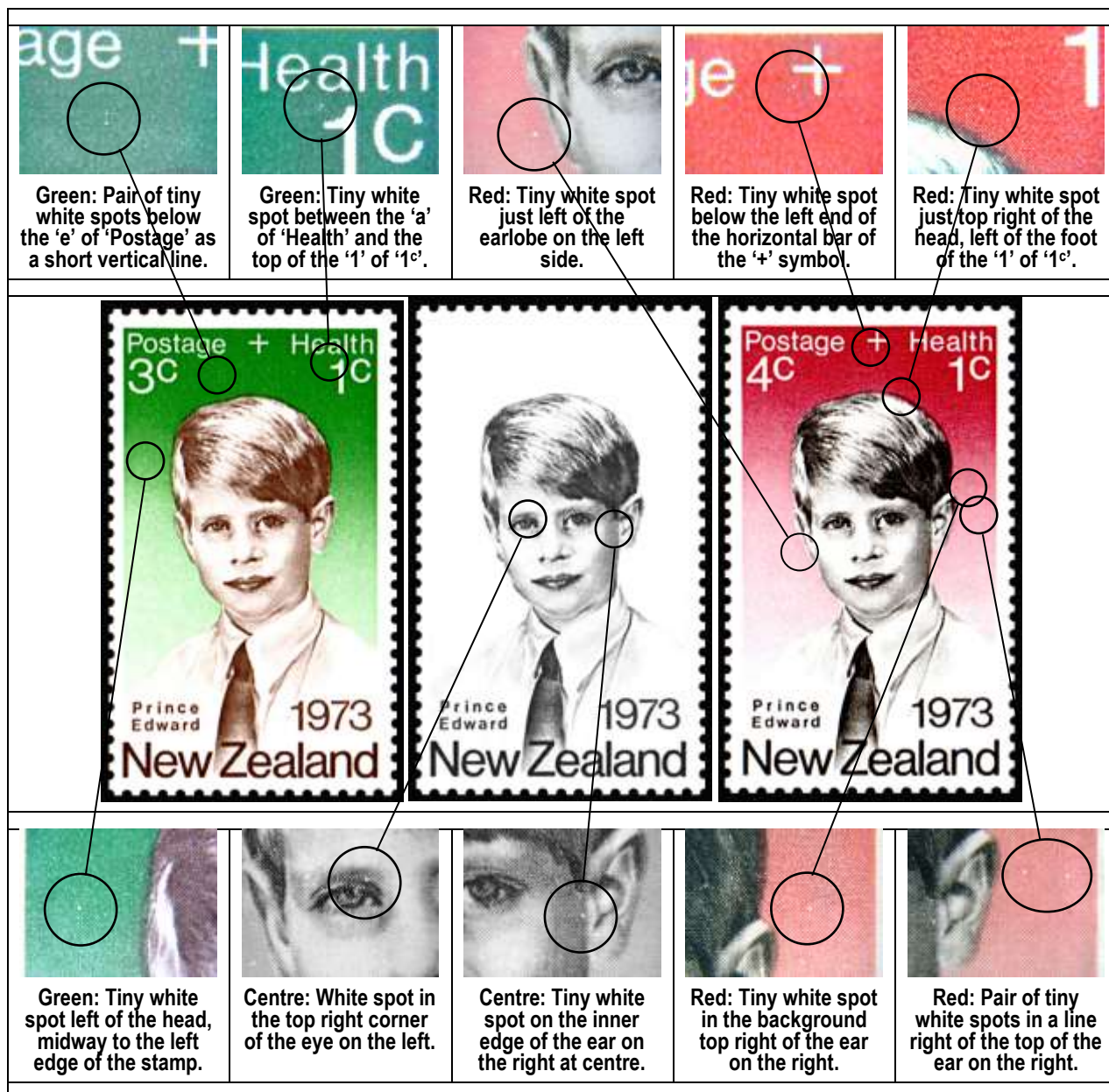


○	R9/9	Centre	Tiny dark spot in the background on the right, 2mm right of the neck, bottom right of the ear. On some examples, this is faint.	G6	
○	R9/9	Green	Tiny white spot in the shading on the right of the head, midway to the edge.	D7	
○	R9/9	Green	Tiny white spot in the background on the right, 1mm from the right edge, level with the top earlobe.	F G7	
○	R9/9	Green	Two tiny green spots in the shading on the left, midway between the left edge and the chin.	H I2	
○	R9/9	Green	The two constant tiny green spots above the shoulder on the left are prominent.	J1	
○	R9/9	Red	Tiny white spot just top right of the head.	C6	
○	R9/9	Red	Tiny white spot midway between the hairline and the right edge.	D4	
○	R9/9	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm right of the top of the ear on the right.	F7	

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Row 9/10 Variety Map

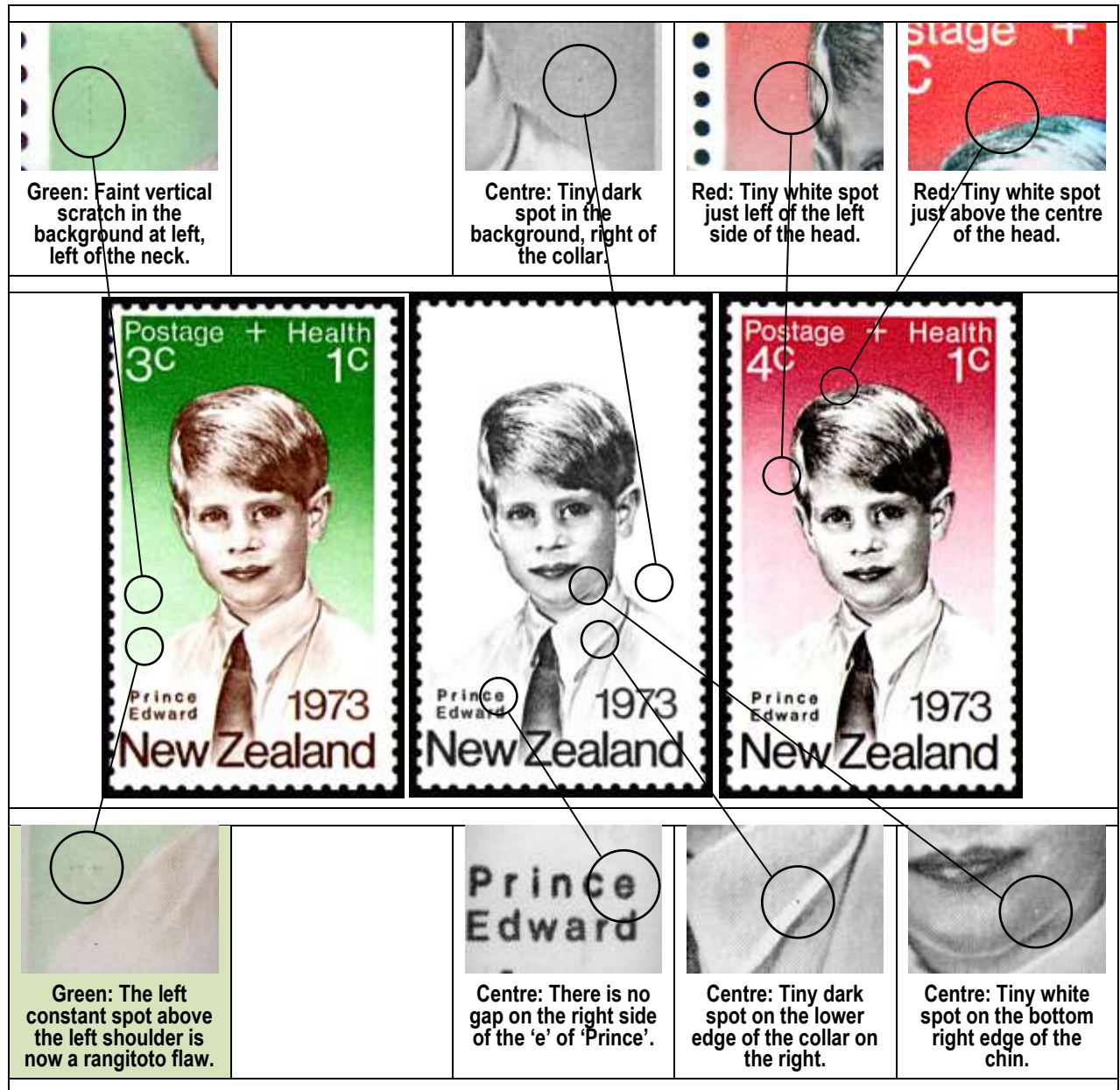
Look to the Prince's eye on the left where there is a white spot on the upper lid at top right. Although the spot is small, it is placed against the dark area of the eye and is pronounced enough to represent this stamp.



○	R9/10	Centre	Tiny white spot on the eyelashes top right of the eye on the left.	F3	
○	R9/10	Centre	Tiny white spot in the shading left of the centre of the ear on the right.	F6	
○	R9/10	Green	Tiny white spot between the 'a' of 'Health' and the serif of the '1' of '1c'.	A6	
○	R9/10	Green	Two tiny white spots in the dark shading below the 'e' of 'Postage'.	B3	
○	R9/10	Green	Tiny white spot midway between the hairline on the left and the left edge.	E1	
○	R9/10	Red	Tiny white spot between the 'e' of 'Postage' and base of the '+' symbol.	A4	
○	R9/10	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm top right of the head way below the last 'h' of 'Health'.	B5	
○	R9/10	Red	Tiny white spot 1.5mm right of the top of the ear on the right.	E7	
○	R9/10	Red	Two tiny white spots in a line right of the ear on the right.	E7-F7	
○	R9/10	Red	Tiny white spot close to the edge of the ear on the left at centre.	G2	
○	R9/10	Red	Tiny white spot 1.5mm above the centre of the shoulder on the left.	I2	

Row 10/1 Variety Map

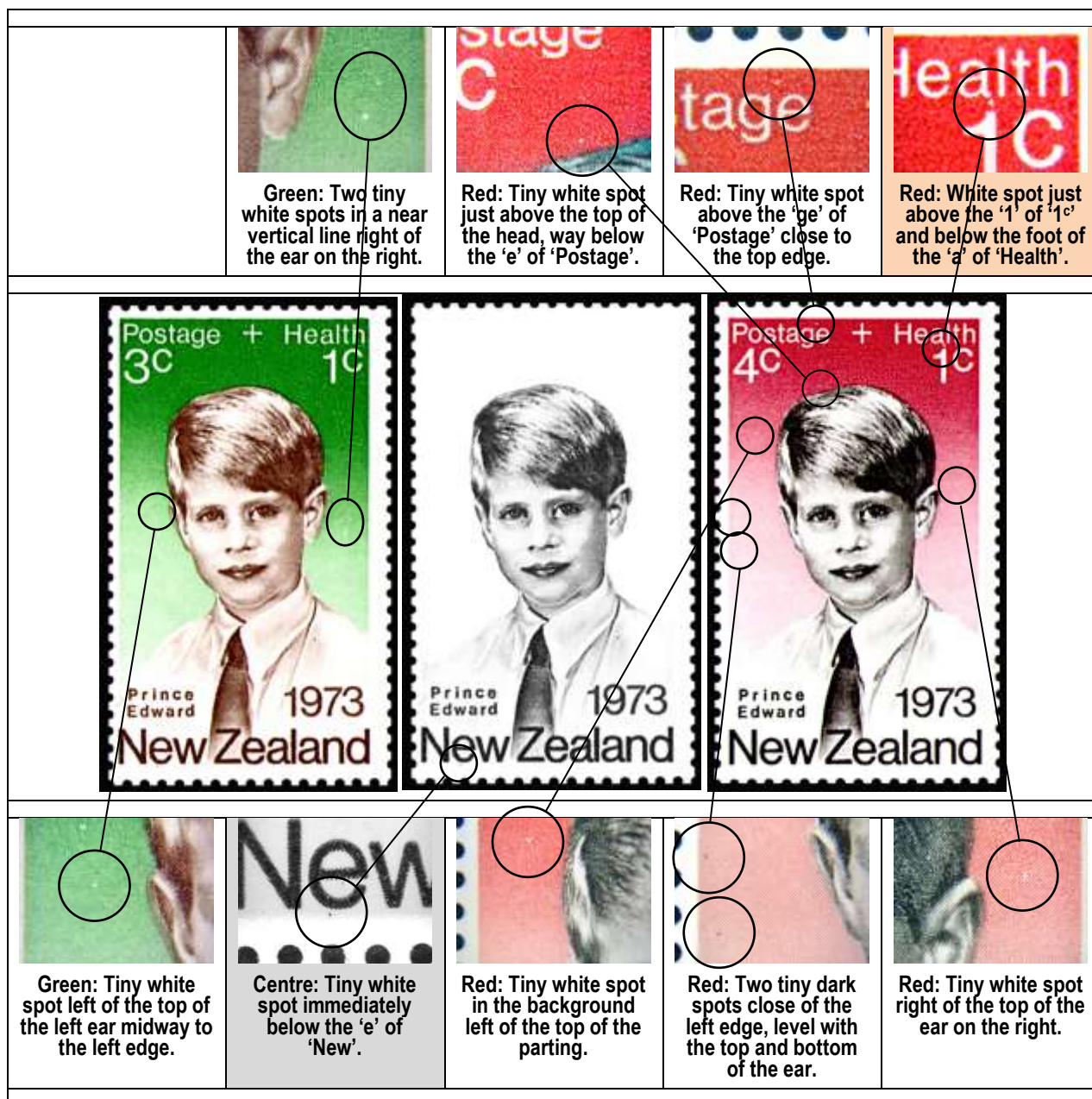
The dark spot on the lower edge of the collar on the right is small but most prominent of the spots here. Also look to the green plate where one of the constant spots above the shoulder on the left is now a rangitoto flaw.



○	R10/1	Centre	Tiny white spot on the right side of the chin, below the right end of the mouth.	H5	
○	R10/1	Centre	Tiny dark spot in the shading on the right, 2mm above the shoulder, 2mm right of the collar. Seen best on the 3c+1c green.	H7	
○	R10/1	Centre	Tiny dark spot at the centre of the lower edge of the collar on the right.	J5	
○	R10/1	Centre	The 'e' of 'Prince' is malformed, closing the gap on the right.	K2 3	
○	R10/1	Green	Faint vertical green scratch in the background on the left, 1.5mm from the left edge, opposite the chin. Where the background is light, only spots remain of the scratch.	H1-J1	
○	R10/1	Green	Green fuzzy spot in the light green shading in the lower left corner, 1.5mm above the shoulder, vertically above the 'Pr' of 'Prince'. There is a large white patch just to the right, but this is hidden by the faint colouring. It appears that one of the rightmost constant spots here appears as a rangitoto flaw.	J1	✓
○	R10/1	Red	Tiny white spot just above the centre of the hair, below the 'e' of 'Postage'.	B3	
○	R10/1	Red	Seven tiny white spots on the left side of the head. The most prominent of which is next to the hairline on the left.	E2	

Row 10/2 Variety Map

Although small, look for the tiny dark spot that sits below the 'e' of 'New' on the lower edge of the stamp. On the red plate look for the white spot that almost joins the top of the '1' of '1c' to the 'a' above.



○	R10/2	Centre	Dark spot at the base of the 'e' of 'New', slightly biased to the left side.	M2	✓
○	R10/2	Green	Tiny white spot on the left side, midway between the top of the ear and the left edge.	F1	
○	R10/2	Green	Two tiny white spots in the shading right of the ear, midway to the right edge. The spots are arranged almost vertically, top spot biased right, lower biased left.	F7	
○	R10/2	Red	Tiny white spot just above the 'ge' of 'Postage'.	A3	
○	R10/2	Red	Tiny white spot just above the centre of the hair.	A4	
○	R10/2	Red	Tiny white spot between the 'a' of 'Health' and the top of the '1' of '1c'.	A6	✓
○	R10/2	Red	Five tiny white spots appear on the left side of the head, none of which are prominent.	D1-E1	
○	R10/2	Red	Tiny white spot between the top of the ear on the right and the right edge.	E7	
○	R10/2	Red	Tiny red spot 1mm from the left edge, level with the base of the ear. A further tiny red spot sits 3mm above this, next to the left edge.	G1, F1	

Row 10/3 Variety Map

The collector will find the 3c+1c stamp from this position very hard to plate as there are no discernible varieties to be found on either the centre of green frame plates. The collector is forced to eliminate all other stamps on this column using their varieties, what is left is this plate position. The red is relatively easy to plate, looking no further than the white spot that sits below the 'o' of 'Postage'.

			 Red: Tiny white spot just below the 'o' of 'Postage' biased slightly to the left.	 Red: Tiny white spot close to the right edge of the stamp, level with the top of the ear on the right.
				
		 Red: Dark spot in the background on the right, level with the bottom of the ear on the right.	 Red: Tiny white spot in the background right of the collar on the right, midway to the right edge.	

○	R10/3	Red	Tiny white spot between the base of the 'o' of 'Postage' and the top of the '4'.	A1	
○	R10/3	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm from the right edge, level with the top of the ear on the right.	E F7	
○	R10/3	Red	Prominent red spot 1.5mm from the right edge, level with the base of the ear.	G7	
○	R10/3	Red	Tiny white spot in the pink shading at lower right, 2mm above the shoulder, 2mm from the right edge.	H7	

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Row 10/4 Variety Map

There is little of interest on this stamp, with the small white spot that sits on the upper edge of the ear on the right being the best way to identify its plate position.

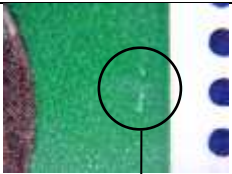
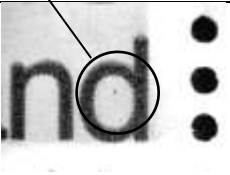


○	R10/4	Centre	Tiny white spot on the outer fold of the ear on the right, at top.	F6	
○	R10/4	Centre	Tiny dark spot in the oval of the 'd' of 'land', biased higher than centre.	M7	
○	R10/4	Green	Tiny white spot in the shading at top right, 1mm from the hairline.	C6	
○	R10/4	Red	Four tiny white spots on the left side of the hair. Only the two that are in the dark shading are prominent.	D1-E1	
○	R10/4	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm from the right edge, on the far right of the hair.	D7	
○	R10/4	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm from the top of the ear on the right.	E7	
○	R10/4	Red	Tiny white spot just right of the collar on the right.	H6	

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Row 10/5 Variety Map

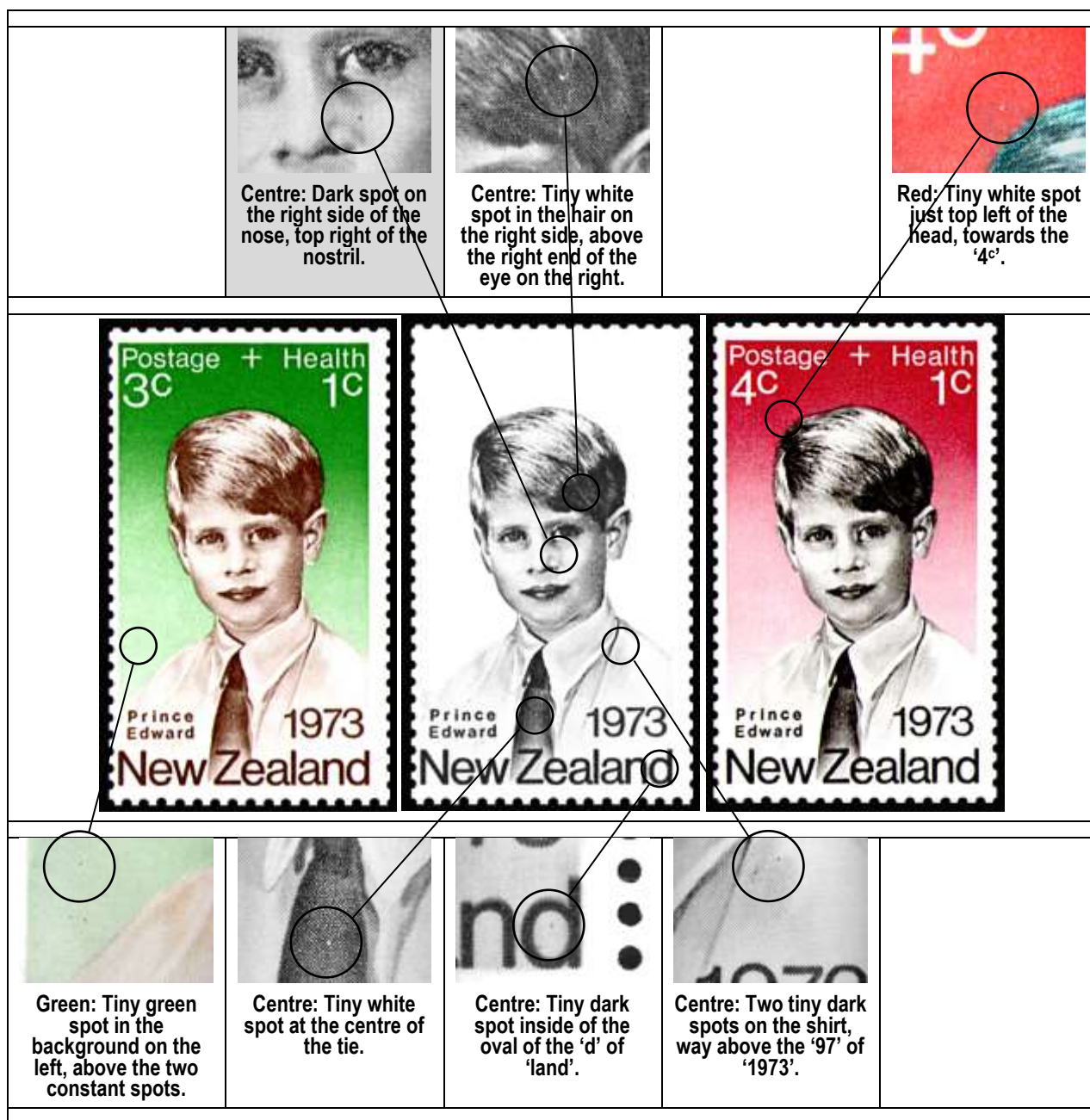
Look to the 'Z' of 'Zeal' to find a bite out of the left edge of the diagonal, close to the foot. This is unique to this stamp. On the red plate, there is an interesting flaw as a wavy white scratch in the background at lower left, it doesn't appear as if it should be constant, but it is.

				
	Green: Vertical scratch composed of tiny white spots far right of head.		Red: Tiny white spot in the background bottom left of the ear on the left.	
				
				
		Centre: Bite out of the left edge of the diagonal of the 'Z' of 'Zeal' by its foot.	Centre: Tiny dark spot inside the oval of the 'd' of 'land'.	Red: Erratic white scratch in the background on the right, right of the collar.

○	R10/5	Centre	Small bite into the left edge of the diagonal of the 'Z' of 'Zeal', near to the base.	M3	
○	R10/5	Centre	Dark spot in the oval of the 'd' of 'land', as row 10/4.	M7	
○	R10/5	Green	Light green vertical scratch in the right side, 1mm from the right edge, opposite the far right of the hair.	D7-E7	
○	R10/5	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm bottom left of the ear on the left.	G2	
○	R10/5	Red	White scratch in the background on the right, 2mm right of the collar, 2mm above the shoulder.	H7	✓

Row 10/6 Variety Map

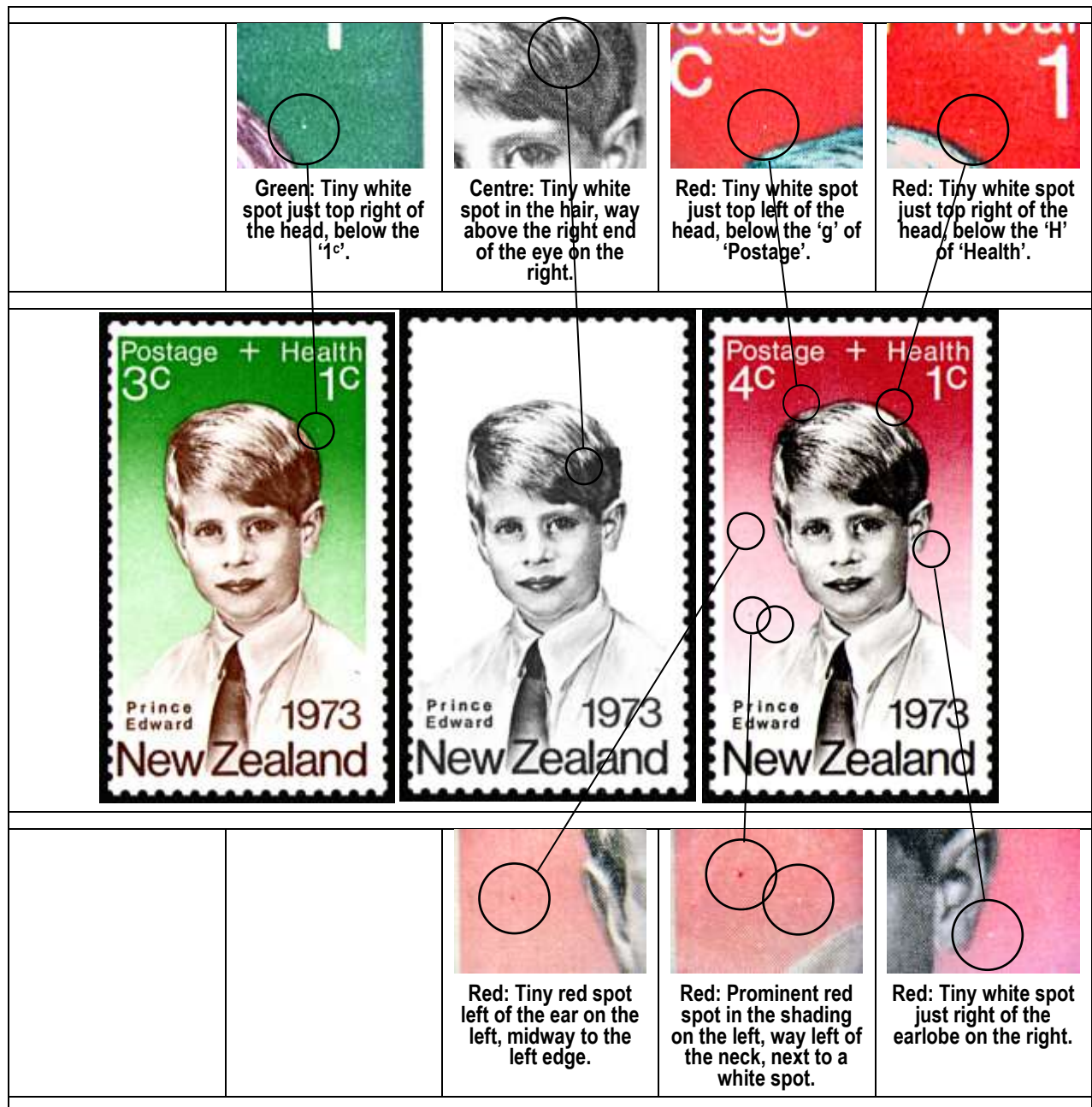
On the centre plate, there is a dark spot that appears on the right side of the nose, close to the nostril, below the eye on the right. This spot is very prominent and can adequately represent this stamp.



○	R10/6	Centre	Tiny white spot in the hair above the eye on the right, and right of the eye. Best seen on the 3c+1c green printing.	E5-F5	
○	R10/6	Centre	Dark spot right of the bridge of the nose, above the nostril on the right.	G4 5	✓
○	R10/6	Centre	Two tiny dark spots in the shading of the shirt, 4mm above the '97' of '1973'.	J6	
○	R10/6	Centre	White spot at the centre of the tie, between the knot and 'Z' of 'Zeal'.	K4	
○	R10/6	Centre	Tiny dark spot in the 'd' of 'land', as row 10/4 and 5, but fainter here.	M7	
○	R10/6	Green	Tiny green spot in the shading at lower left, 2mm above the centre of the shoulder.	J2	
○	R10/6	Red	Tiny white spot 1mm top right of the hair, in line towards the '4c'.	C2	

Row 10/7 Variety Map

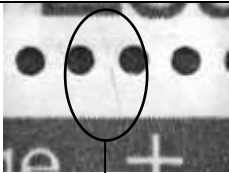
The white spot in the hair that affects the centre plate is not enough to be able to recognise this stamp, as the spot is amongst others that could confuse. On the red 4c+1c plate, look for a prominent red spot in the background on the lower left, left of the neck, this is close to a white spot. It is quite visible. There is only one variety affecting the green plate, and that is not unique.



○	R10/7	Centre	Tiny white spot in the hair, 4mm into the hair, above the right end of the eye on the right, can easily be mistaken for part of the design.	D5	
○	R10/7	Green	Tiny white spot in the shading at top right, 1mm away from the hairline, bottom left of the '1' of '1c'.	C6	
○	R10/7	Red	Tiny white spot top right of the hairline, below the first 'H' of 'Health'. This is faint.	B C6	
○	R10/7	Red	Tiny white spot top left of the hairline, below the 'g' of 'Postage'.	B3	
○	R10/7	Red	Tiny red spot 2.5mm left of the top of the ear on the left.	F1	
○	R10/7	Red	Tiny white spot just right of the lobe of the ear on the right.	F6 7	
○	R10/7	Red	Tiny white spot at the midpoint between the left edge and the chin. There is also a prominent red spot 1.5mm left of this white spot.	H I1, H I2	

Row 10/8 Variety Map

If the diagonal dark scratch is present on your example, then use it. Otherwise it is a choice of which spots to use to identify this stamp. Those on the centre are small but in combination are useful.

				
		Centre: Some stamps show a diagonal dark scratch in the top margin.		Red: Tiny white spot bottom right of the '+' symbol, midway to the 'H' of 'Health'.
				
				
	Centre: Tiny white spot just below the chin, biased left of centre.	Centre: Tiny dark spot close to the top of the 'a' of 'Zeal'.	Red: Two tiny white spots left of the centre of the head, top left of the ear.	Red: Two tiny white spots just right of the ear on the right.

○	R10/8	Centre	Transient diagonal dark scratch in the top margin just left of the centre of the top edge. Not all stamps show this.	-A4	
○	R10/8	Centre	Tiny white spot between the left side of the chin and the collar.	I3 4	
○	R10/8	Centre	Tiny dark spot 1mm above the 'a' of 'Zeal'.	L5	
○	R10/8	Red	Tiny white spot in the background at top, bottom right of the '+' symbol. On some example this spot is faint, others it is prominent.	A B5	
○	R10/8	Red	Two tiny white spots diagonally in the shading, top left of the ear on the left. The spot closest to the ear is faint.	E1	
○	R10/8	Red	Two faint tiny white spots, right of the ear on the right, midway to the right edge.	F7	

Row 10/9 Variety Map

There are some good white spots seen on the face, all on the right side, that in combination will enable its plate position to be confirmed. The three spots are seen top right of the eye on the right; right of the mouth; and on the chin.



○	R10/9	Centre	Tiny white spot on the lower edge of the hairline, top right of the eye on the right, left of the top of the ear.	E F5	
○	R10/9	Centre	Tiny white spot near the right edge of the cheek on the right side, level with the mouth.	G H 5 6	
○	R10/9	Centre	Tiny white spot on the chin, below the right end of the mouth.	H5	
○	R10/9	Centre	Tiny dark spot in the right edge of this stamp, 1mm above the end of the shoulder.	I8	
○	R10/9	Red	Tiny white spot midway between the ear on the right and the right edge.	F7	

Row 10/10 Variety Map

Look to the centre plate and the collar on the right. There you will find a small white patch where the dark screen dots are missing. This appears as a tear drop. This variety is set against a semi-dark area, but once seen it is enough to identify this stamp.



○	R10/10	Centre	Tiny dark spot at the centre of the hair, 6mm vertically above the nose.	D4	
○	R10/10	Centre	Tiny white spot in the shading on the right of the face, level with the base of the ear on the right.	G5 6	
○	R10/10	Centre	White patch in the shading at the centre of the collar on the right, where the screen dots are omitted.	I5	✓
○	R10/10	Green	Tiny white spot below the 'c' of '3c', level with the base of the '3'.	B2	
○	R10/10	Green	Faint tiny white spot midway between the left edge and the hairline at far left, level with the top of the parting.	D1	
○	R10/10	Red	Faint tiny white spot 1mm top right of the hair, vertically below the 'H' of 'Health'.	C5	
○	R10/10	Red	Tiny white spot on the left edge, top left of the top of the ear on the left.	E F1	

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PLATING THE 1973 HEALTH MINIATURE SHEETS

The Miniature Sheets

The miniature sheets for this issue are produced using three different plates, as was seen for the large sheets, one for each of the coloured frames, green and red, and a third for the central figure of Prince Edward that appeared in the darker colour, brown or black. As the same centre plate was used with each of the coloured frames that contained the stamp value, varieties that occurred with that centre plate can be found on both denominations. Whereas the varieties on the frame plates are unique to that value.



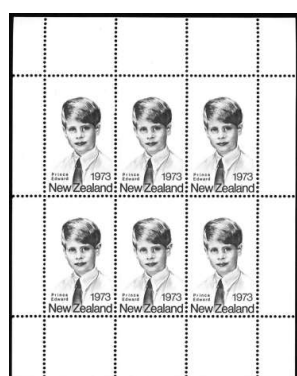
This document attempts to illustrate those varieties in a way unique to this monograph. The plates for each numbered miniature sheet is treated together. For example, for miniature sheet 1, the text will show the frame plate (green) for the 3c+1c colour; the frame plate (red) for the 4c+1c colour; and the centre plate (brown or black) that is used with both frame plates; and these will be treated as a unit, rather than by value as used in other monographs.

Each sheet will be illustrated, by showing an image of the miniature sheet (at the centre of the page) and displaying the identified varieties around it by way of a small picture (thumbnail) and description of the variety. In some cases the picture may show a number of what may be considered differentiating marks (especially spots), please use those circled to correctly link the illustration to the text.



From an examination of the constant varieties that occur on these miniature sheets, it must be concluded that there are five different miniature sheets for each denomination. There is no indication in the Handbooks, catalogues or published correspondence that shows the arrangement of these five miniature sheets. It is anticipated by the author that the large and miniature sheets were produced from composite master sheets for each value. This is not the first time that Harrison and Sons have produced composite plates, that of the 1965 Health stamp can be used as an example.

As the arrangement of these miniature sheets is unknown, the numbering of the miniature sheets here is arbitrary and are labelled 1 through 5.



Each miniature sheet contained six stamps arranged in two rows of three stamps. The stamp position of the six stamps on the sheet as used here is referenced via the normal row/column format.

The miniature sheets appear to have been printed on two different types of paper, the normal white to cream tinged paper and an uncommon hard white paper. The latter produces prints with a mottled effect where the background colour is darkest.

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A Composite Plate arrangement

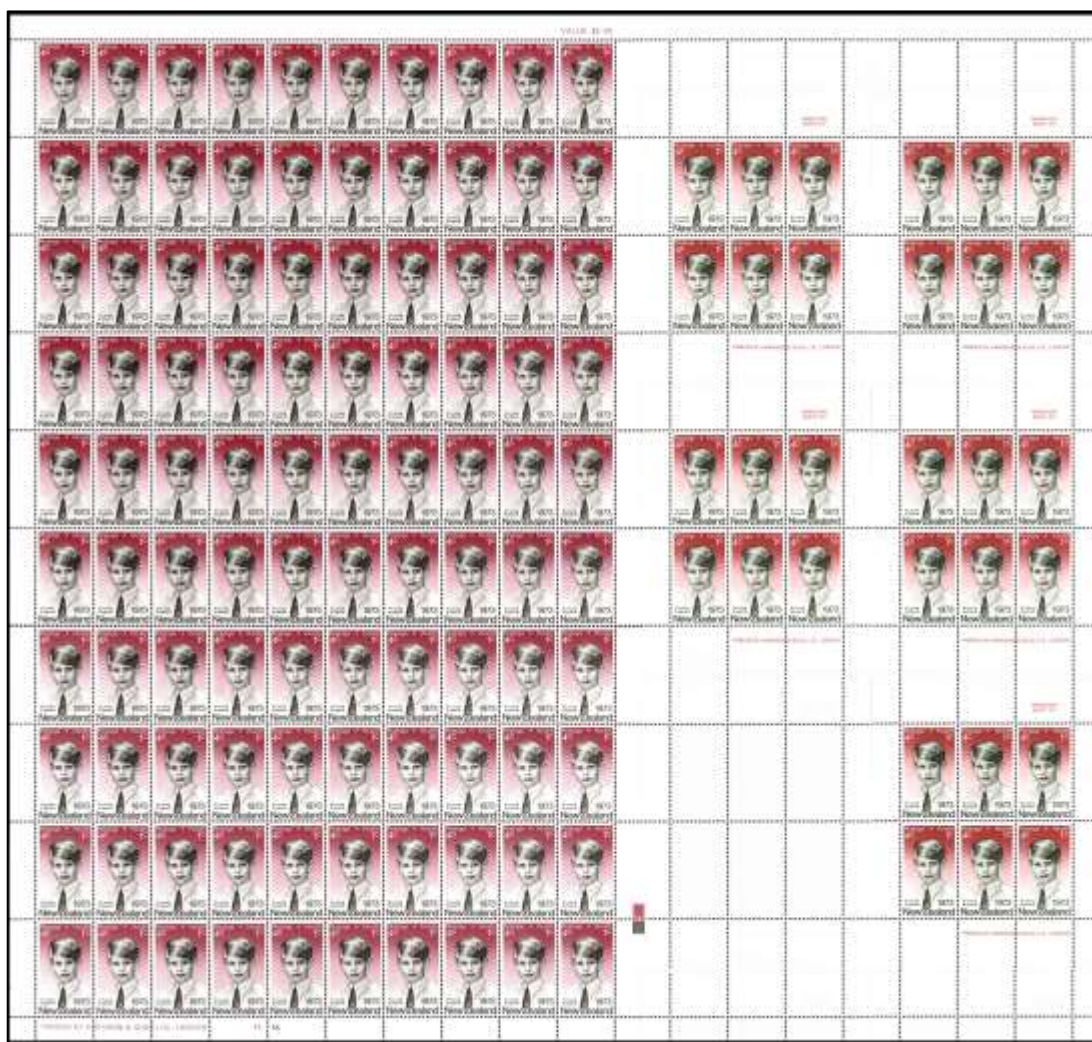
Five is an unusual number of miniature sheets to arrange in any form that would not waste a considerable volume of paper. Unlike say, the 1965 Health stamps that also had 5 miniature sheets of each denomination arranged in a horizontal row above the large sheet, clues were evident from an examination of the perforations, to conclude a composite plate of large sheet and 5 miniature sheets could be arranged with minimal paper wastage. Here, the vertical arrangement of the large sheet (10x10) and miniature sheet (2x3), and keeping in the rules that the relative positions satisfy the use of a single comb perf machine, does not lead itself to a simple, symmetrical composite plate layout.

It must certainly be asked why 5 miniature sheets, when there was adequate opportunity to print 6, without use of any additional paper? The order from the Post Office was for 3,200,000 stamps in large sheets and 130,000 and 155,000 miniature sheets for the two denominations. For large sheets of 100 stamps, that would require 32,000 composite sheets. If the composite sheet had 5 miniature sheets,

then the number of miniature sheets printed would be 32,000x5, i.e. 160,000 miniature sheets, close to that ordered. Printing 6 miniature sheets per large sheet would be excessive at 198,000, much more than required.

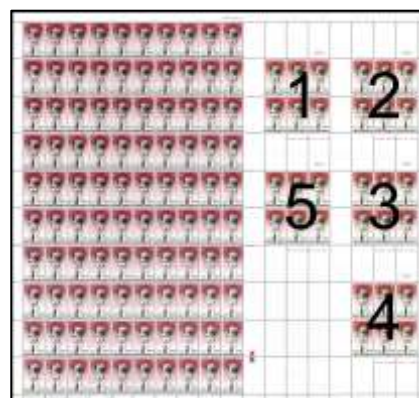
Looking at the miniature sheet perforations, it is apparent that there are two variants, this will be proven and shown later, with 2 miniature sheets of one style and 3 of another, concluding that there are two columns of miniature sheets present on the composite plate.

Thus, it is believed a composite master sheets of miniature sheets were prepared, one plate for each value and may appear as shown in the mock-up below, ready for separating and trimming. Research already published by Jim Shaw, courtesy of Campbell Paterson when the issue was current, has concluded that there are 5 miniature sheets per denomination, but gives no detail of their arrangement on the master sheet. For consistency, this research will follow the same numbering convention used by Mr Shaw for the individual sheets and therefore they are labelled 1 and 5 for the first column and 2, 3 and 4 for the second based upon the numbering system that Mr Shaw used. The positioning of the two columns of miniature sheets is arbitrary and may have appeared the other way round.



This research attempts to update the information provided by Mr Shaw and arm the collector with a mechanism to differentiate between the 5 different miniature sheets for each value, and plate them to their appropriate position within the composite master sheet. The bulk of the text that follows illustrates differentiating marks for each miniature sheet, by showing the miniature sheet at the centre of the page and displaying the identified varieties around it by way of small thumbnail pictures and description of the variety in miniature sheet order. Thus, the research will show varieties for green MS #1, red MS #1 and centre MS #1 as a group, before moving on to MS #2.

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Miniature sheet perforations

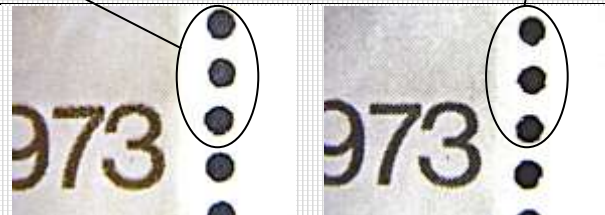
It would be safe to assume that the single comb perforating machine was used on the composite master sheet prior to the large and miniature sheets being separated. Both are perforated from the top of the sheet downwards by a single comb gauging $13\frac{1}{2} \times 14$.

The task here is to identify the position of a small number of bent perf pins and those out of alignment so that the column from which any individual miniature sheet can be determined, without yet looking at the flaws in the design of the stamps themselves.

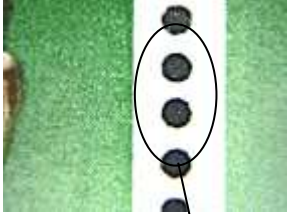
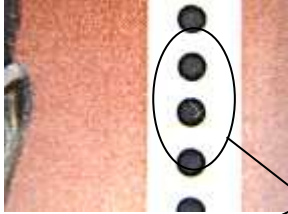
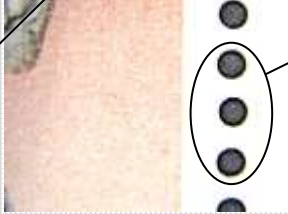
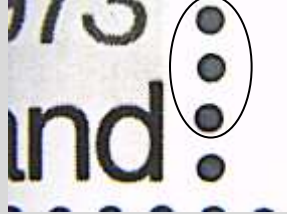
Miniature Sheet Perforation Characteristics

Looking at the miniature sheets for these characteristics, it is seen that there are only slight perforation varieties to be found but enough to note the arrangement of the miniature sheets into 2 groups the first of two sheets, the second of three. Being single comb, each perforation variety is repeated on each row within the column, including the horizontal perforations between individual sheets.

Miniature Sheet Perforations Characteristics Type 1

The 5th perf pin down from the top of the vertical perfs between columns 1 and 2 is biased bottom right, the 4th perf pin is biased to the right.	The 2nd perf pin on the top row of perfs, from the right corner of stamps from column 3 is biased up, the corner perf is biased down, causing a good displacement between them.
On both the 3c and 4c, 5th perf pin is located right of the centre of the '1c' for the stamp on the left; whilst the 4th perf pin is located left of the middle of the value '3c' or '4c'.	On both the 3c and 4c miniature sheets the misplaced perf holes are found in the top right corner of the stamp
	
	
	
On both the 3c and 4c sheets the displacement right is seen on the perf hole left of 'Edward'.	On both the 3c and 4c sheets, the displaced hole is found top right of the year '1973'.
There is a step change in the vertical perfs left of the stamps from column 1 between holes 4 and 5 from the bottom left corner. The holes above 4 are displaced to the right.	The 7th perf hole upwards from the bottom right corner of the stamps from column 3 is biased to the right, giving a good step change.

Miniature Sheet Perforations Characteristics Type 2

The 13th perf hole down from the top of the vertical line of perfs between stamps from columns 1 and 2, is biased upwards. Leaving a narrow gap above and a wide gap below.	The 4th perf hole down from the top line of perfs between stamps at columns 2 and 3, is biased slightly to the right.
On both the 3c and 4c sheets the displaced pin is found right of the centre of the ear.	On both the 3c and 4c sheets, the displaced perf pin is found between the top of the 'C' on the left, and left of the stamp value '3' or '4' on the right.
 	 
	
 	 
On both the 3c and 4c sheets, the displaced perf hole is seen one hole down from the lower point of the ear on the left.	On both the 3c and 4c sheets. The displaced hole is found right of the top of the 'd' of 'land' this is perhaps the easiest of the perf displacement to be found on this type.
The 15th perf hole down from the top of the vertical line of perfs on the right side of column 3, is biased towards the right.	The 4th perf hole from the bottom right corner of stamps from column 3. Is biased to the right.

It is noted that on the main sheets, the left selvedge is usually narrower than the selvedge on the right. On miniature sheets, when two miniature sheets are placed together with the long vertical sides together, the combined width of the selvedge between stamps is equal to one stamp width. Similarly, when miniature sheets are placed together vertically, along their top/bottom edges, the combined height of the selvedge is equal to one stamp in height. In both instances, this accommodates the dimensions imposed by the perforation step and repeat process.

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Miniature Sheet, Errors

3c+1c Miniature Sheet

None identified.

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4c+1c Miniature Sheet

☐	Red colour offset on the back	A small number of miniature sheets have been found with the background red colour completely offset on the reverse of the M/S. The offset is definite but smudged, as it spreads over the gum.		1973
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Plating the Miniature sheets

3c+1c Miniature Sheet

Frame Plate (Green) Multipositive flaws

Although probably true for the 4c+1c stamps also, the 3c+1c sheet shows multipositive flaws that affect all stamps on the sheet and are common across all sheets. These multipositive flaws can be identified as illustrated below:

			
Two green spots above the shoulder on the left, above the 'Pr' of 'Prince'.	Green spot on the bottom of the ear lobe on the right.		
J1	G6		

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Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #1

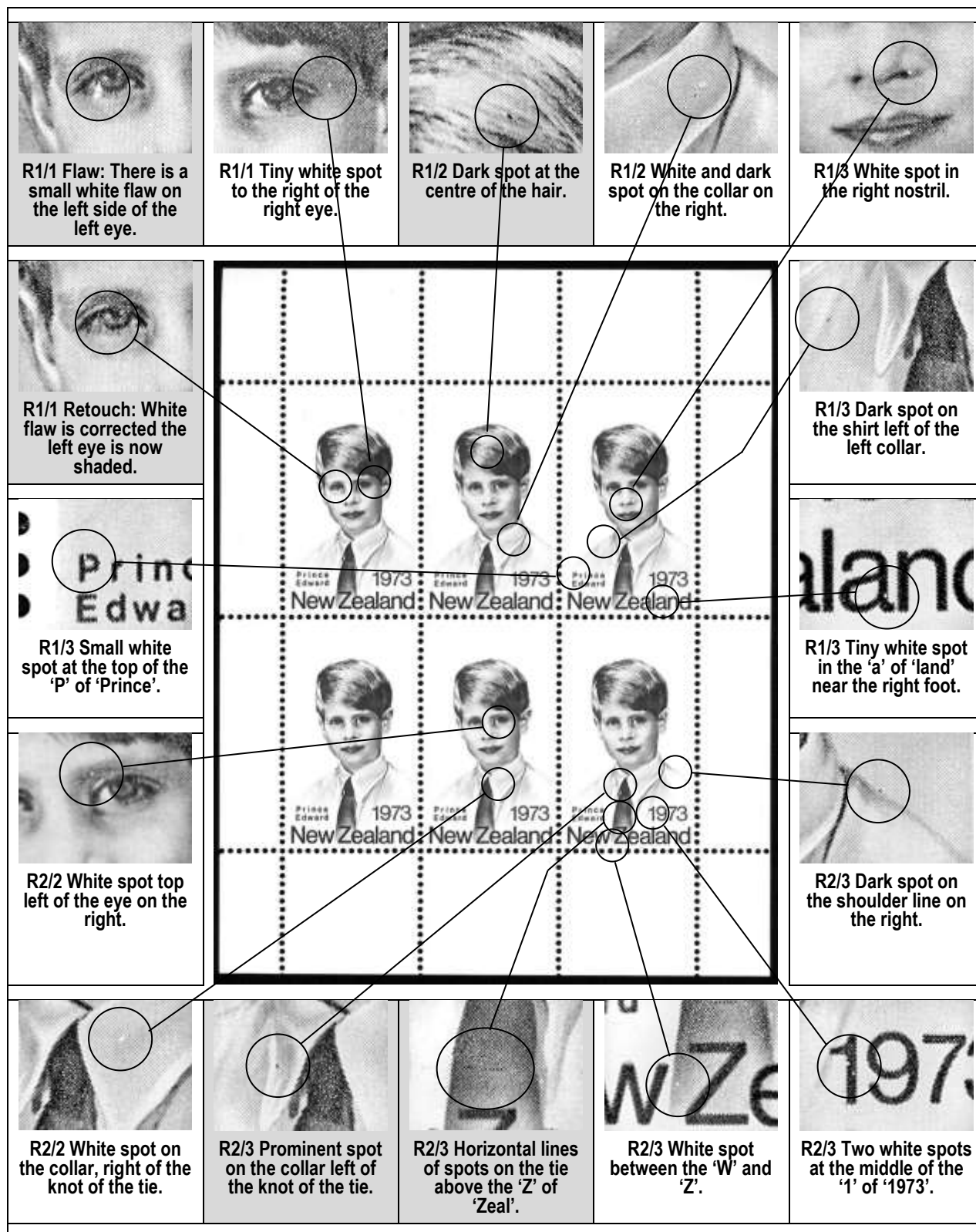
Variety List

○	MS1	R1/1	Centre	White flaw and retouch to the eye on the left. The left side of the eye in the left is retouched, to remove the white flaw at that point.	F3	✓
○	MS1	R1/1	Centre	Tiny white spot right of the eye on the right.	F5	
○	MS1	R1/1	Green	Small indent into the top edge above the 'P' of 'Postage'.	A1	
○	MS1	R1/1	Green	Two green spots above the shoulder on the right.	H7	
○	MS1	R1/1	Green	White spot left of the cheek at left.	G2	
○	MS1	R1/1	Green	White spot top left of the ear on the left.	F2	
○	MS1	R1/1	Red	Tiny white spot below the ear on the left.	G H 1 2	
○	MS1	R1/1	Red	Two red spots arranged horizontally below the '1c' at top right.	C D7	
○	MS1	R1/2	Centre	Dark spot at the centre of the hair.	D4	✓
○	MS1	R1/2	Centre	White and dark spot on the collar on the right.	I5 6	
○	MS1	R1/2	Green	Short diagonal green fleck top right of the collar on the right.	H6 7	
○	MS1	R1/2	Green	Vertical green scratch above the constant spot above the shoulder on the left	H1-11	
○	MS1	R1/2	Red	Tiny white spot at the foot of the 'P' of 'Postage'.	A1	
○	MS1	R1/2	Red	Tiny white spot between the '+' symbol and 'H' of 'Health'.	A5	
○	MS1	R1/2	Red	White spot at the top of the head, left of centre; and a second spot right of centre.	B3, C6	
○	MS1	R1/3	Centre	Dark spot on the shirt, left of the left collar.	J2 3	
○	MS1	R1/3	Centre	Small white spot in the 'a' of 'land', near the right foot.	M6	
○	MS1	R1/3	Centre	Small white spot on the top of the 'P' of 'Prince'.	K1	
○	MS1	R1/3	Centre	White spot on the right nostril.	G4	
○	MS1	R1/3	Green	White spot above the shoulder on the left.	I2	
○	MS1	R1/3	Red	White spot below the 'c' of '1c'.	B7	
○	MS1	R2/1	Green	Group of green spots left of the left earlobe.	G2	
○	MS1	R2/1	Green	Prominent green spot above the right shoulder by the collar.	H6	✓
○	MS1	R2/1	Red	Curved line of red spots from the hair at the top of the ear on the left, into the background.	E2	✓
○	MS1	R2/2	Centre	White spot on the collar, right of the knot of the tie.	J4	
○	MS1	R2/2	Centre	White spot top left of the eye on the right.	F4	
○	MS1	R2/2	Green	Flaw under the first 'H' of 'Health'.	A B5	
○	MS1	R2/2	Red	Two close red spots above the shoulder on the right side.	H6	
○	MS1	R2/3	Centre	Dark spot on the edge of the shoulder on the right.	I6 7	
○	MS1	R2/3	Centre	Horizontal line of spots on the tie above the 'Z' of 'Zeal', and a large flaw top left of where the tie appears to have been retouched.	L3-L4	✓
○	MS1	R2/3	Centre	Prominent spot on the collar left of the knot of the tie.	J3	✓
○	MS1	R2/3	Centre	Two white spots on the '1' of '1973' at the middle.	K L5	
○	MS1	R2/3	Centre	White spot between the 'w' and 'Z'.	M3	
○	MS1	R2/3	Green	Faint green flaw against the mouth of the 'c' of '3c'.	H5	
○	MS1	R2/3	Green	The two constant green spots above the shoulder on the left are prominent.	J1	
○	MS1	R2/3	Green	White spot below the 'c' of '3c' next to the hair.	C2	
○	MS1	R2/3	Green	White spot near the left edge, left of the mouth.	H1	
○	MS1	R2/3	Red	Large white spot in the background, right of the collar.	H7	

Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #1

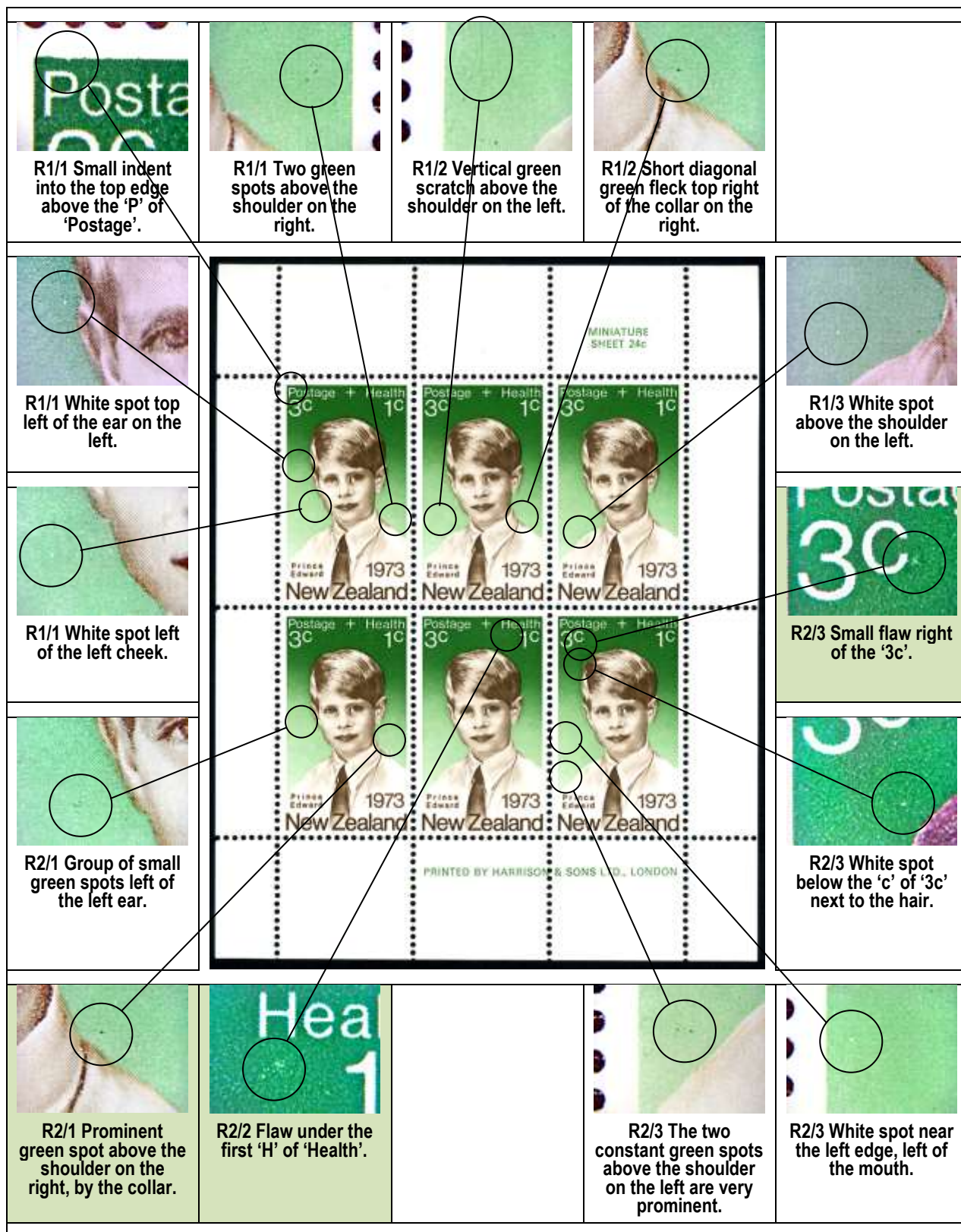
Centre Plate

There are many distinguishing features of this M/S. Look for the scarce flaw in the eye on R1/1 or the retouch. R2/3 has many varieties, look for the line of dark spots just above the 'Z' of 'Zeal' and a small retouch just above. R1/2 has a dark spot at the centre of the hair.



Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #1 Green Frame Plate

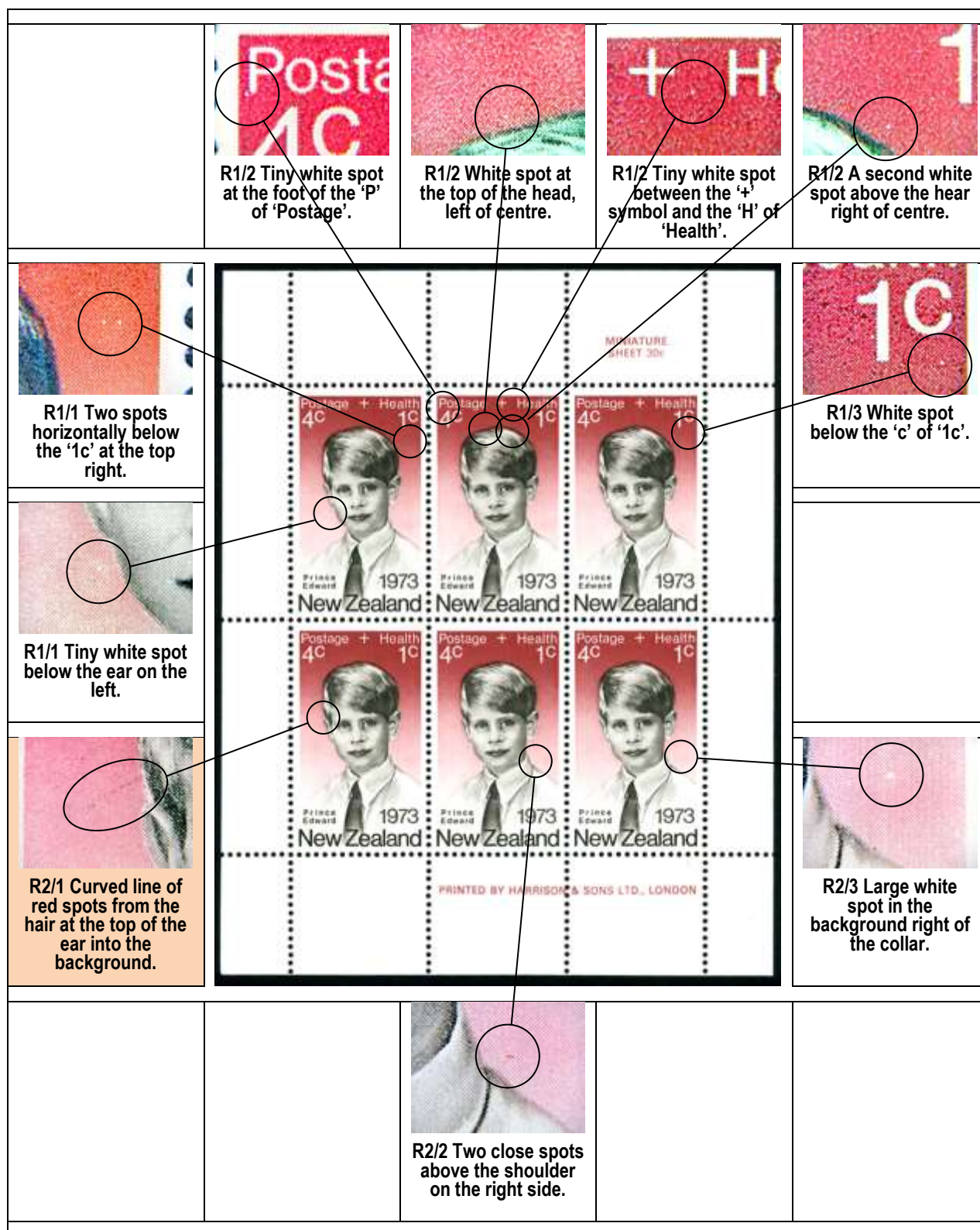
There are a multitude of small white and green spots on this stamp. Look for the prominent green spot on stamp R2/1 just to the right of the collar. Also look for the small flaw in the green background of stamp R2/3 adjacent to the 'c' of the value '3c'



Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #1

Red Frame Plate

A magnifying glass is needed to identify the line of red spots that extends from the hair just above the ear on the left into the background on stamp R2/1. This is the only notable variety on this M/S, use the constant white and red spots to confirm.



Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #2

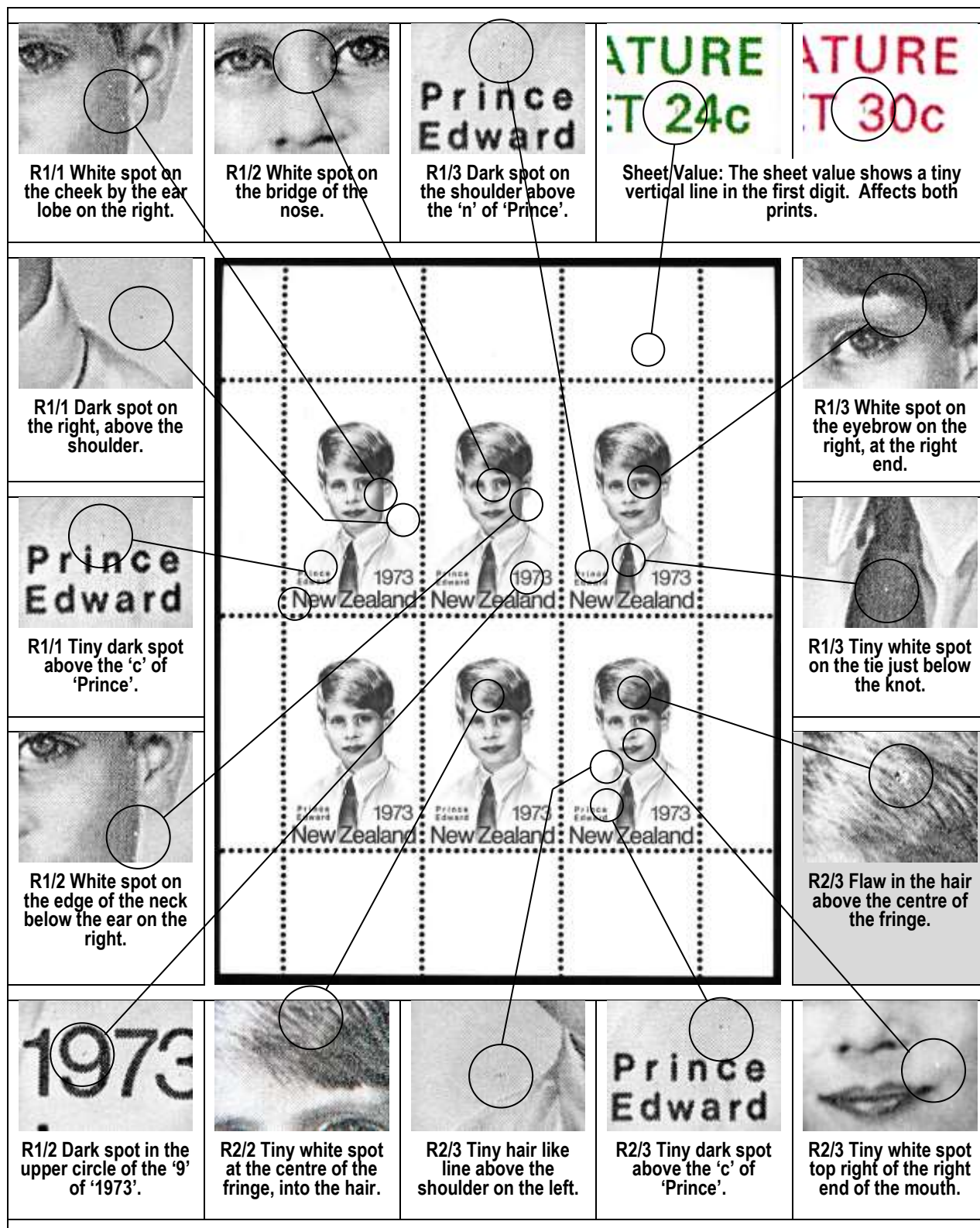
Variety List

○	MS2	SV	Centre	Tiny vertical line in the first digit of the sheet value.	-	
○	MS2	Imprint	Green	Green spot below the left leg of the last 'N' of 'LONDON'.	-	
○	MS2	R1/1	Centre	Dark spot bottom left of the 'N' of 'New'.	M0	Not illus
○	MS2	R1/1	Centre	Dark spot in the background above the shoulder on the right.	H7	
○	MS2	R1/1	Centre	Tiny dark spot above the 'c' of 'Prince'.	J K2	
○	MS2	R1/1	Centre	White spot on the cheek by the earlobe on the right.	G6	
○	MS2	R1/1	Green	Green spot above the right shoulder, top right of the dark spot.	H7	
○	MS2	R1/1	Green	Short green line right of the last 'd' of 'Edward'.	L3	✓
○	MS2	R1/1	Green	White spot left of the ear on the left, midway to the edge.	G1	
○	MS2	R1/1	Red	Faint pink 'finger' from the left edge into the background just above the shoulder on the left.	J1	✓
○	MS2	R1/1	Red	Faint white spot below the '+' sign at top.	B4	Not illus
○	MS2	R1/1	Red	White spot below the earlobe on the right.	G6	
○	MS2	R1/2	Centre	Dark spot in the upper circle of the '9' of '1973'.	K6	
○	MS2	R1/2	Centre	White spot in the edge of the neck below the ear on the right.	G6	
○	MS2	R1/2	Centre	White spot on the bridge of the nose, left of the eye on the right.	F4	
○	MS2	R1/2	Green	Green spot bottom left of the ear on the left, close to a white spot just top right.	G H2	
○	MS2	R1/2	Green	Tiny green spot above the shoulder on the right.	I7	
○	MS2	R1/2	Red	Flaw in the background left of the left ear.	F1 2	✓
○	MS2	R1/2	Red	White spot in the background above the shoulder on the right.	H7	
○	MS2	R1/3	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the left shoulder, above the 'n' of 'Prince'.	J K2	
○	MS2	R1/3	Centre	Tiny white spot on the tie, just below the knot.	K4	
○	MS2	R1/3	Centre	White spot at the right end of the eyebrow on the right.	F5	
○	MS2	R1/3	Green	Green spot in the top margin above the 's' of 'Postage'.	-A2	
○	MS2	R1/3	Red	White spot left of the head below the 'c' of '4c'.	D2	
○	MS2	R1/3	Red	White spot near the right edge, right of the head, below the 'c' of '1c'. Two further white spots diagonally below, the last one right of the ear.	D7	
○	MS2	R1/3	Red	White spot right of the neck.	H7	
○	MS2	R2/1	Green	White spot in the background above the head left of centre, below the 'e' of 'Postage'.	B3	
○	MS2	R2/1	Red	Pink spot between the head and the left edge, top left of the ear.	E1	
○	MS2	R2/1	Red	Two white spots below the '4c'.	C1, C2	
○	MS2	R2/1	Red	White spot below the '1c' right of the hair.	D7	
○	MS2	R2/2	Centre	Tiny white spot at the centre of the fringe, in the hair.	E4	
○	MS2	R2/2	Green	White spot right of the earlobe on the right, amongst a group of spots.	G6 7	
○	MS2	R2/2	Red	Two white spots near the left edge, left of the hair.	D1	
○	MS2	R2/2	Red	White spot top right of the ear on the right.	E7	
○	MS2	R2/3	Centre	Flaw in the hair, above the centre of the fringe.	D4	✓
○	MS2	R2/3	Centre	Tiny dark spot above the 'c' of 'Prince'.	K2	
○	MS2	R2/3	Centre	Tiny hair-like line above the left shoulder, left of the top of the collar.	I3	
○	MS2	R2/3	Centre	Tiny white spot top right of the right end of the mouth.	G5	
○	MS2	R2/3	Green	Green spots to the left of the base of the ear on the left.	G2	
○	MS2	R2/3	Green	Two green spots above the shoulder on the right.	H7, I7	
○	MS2	R2/3	Red	Tiny white bite into the top edge of the stamp by the 'g' of 'Postage'.	A3	

Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #2

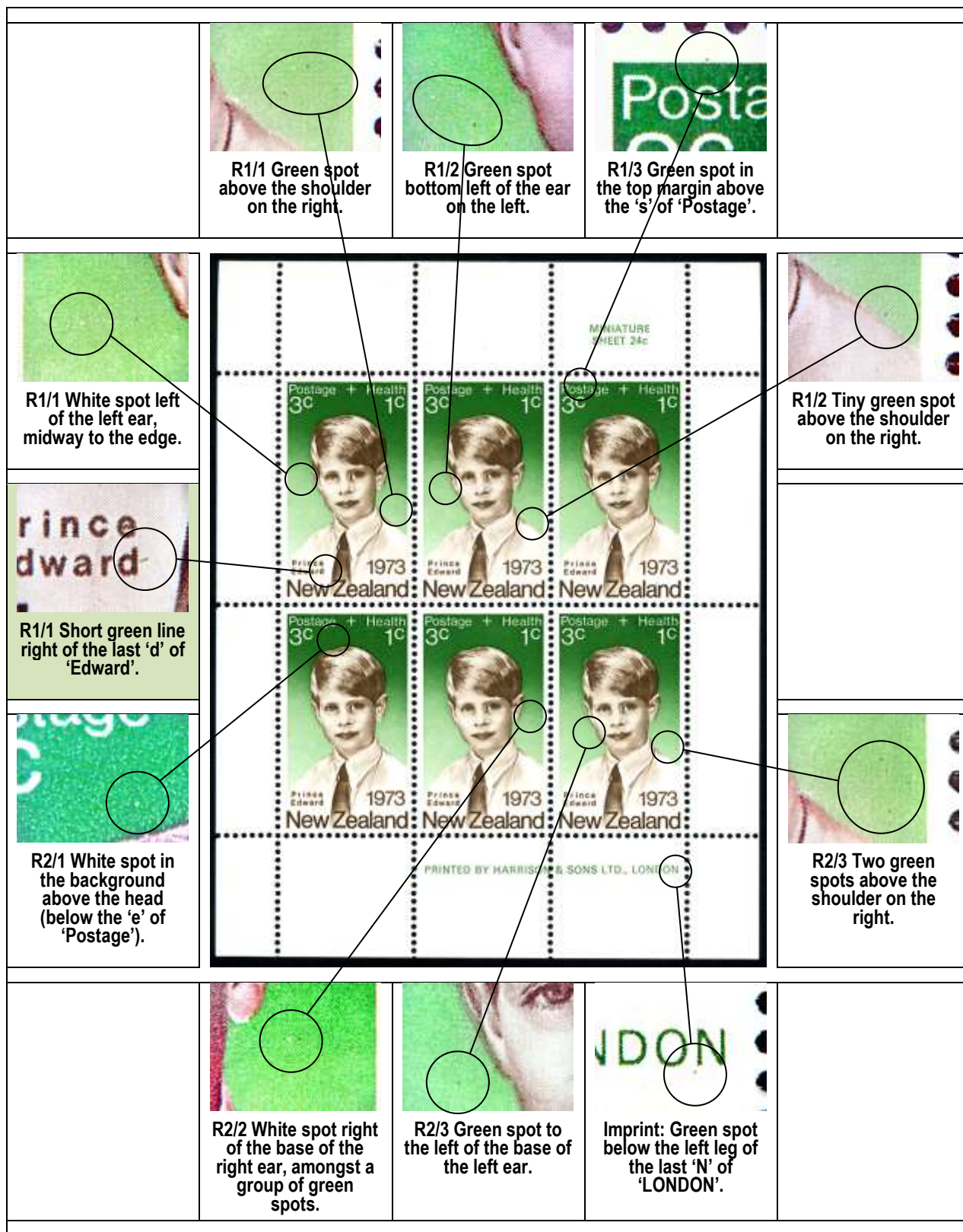
Centre Plate

There are many small white and dark spots to be seen, but look for the flaw in the hair on stamp R2/3 to be seen just above the centre of the fringe.



Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #2 Green Frame Plate

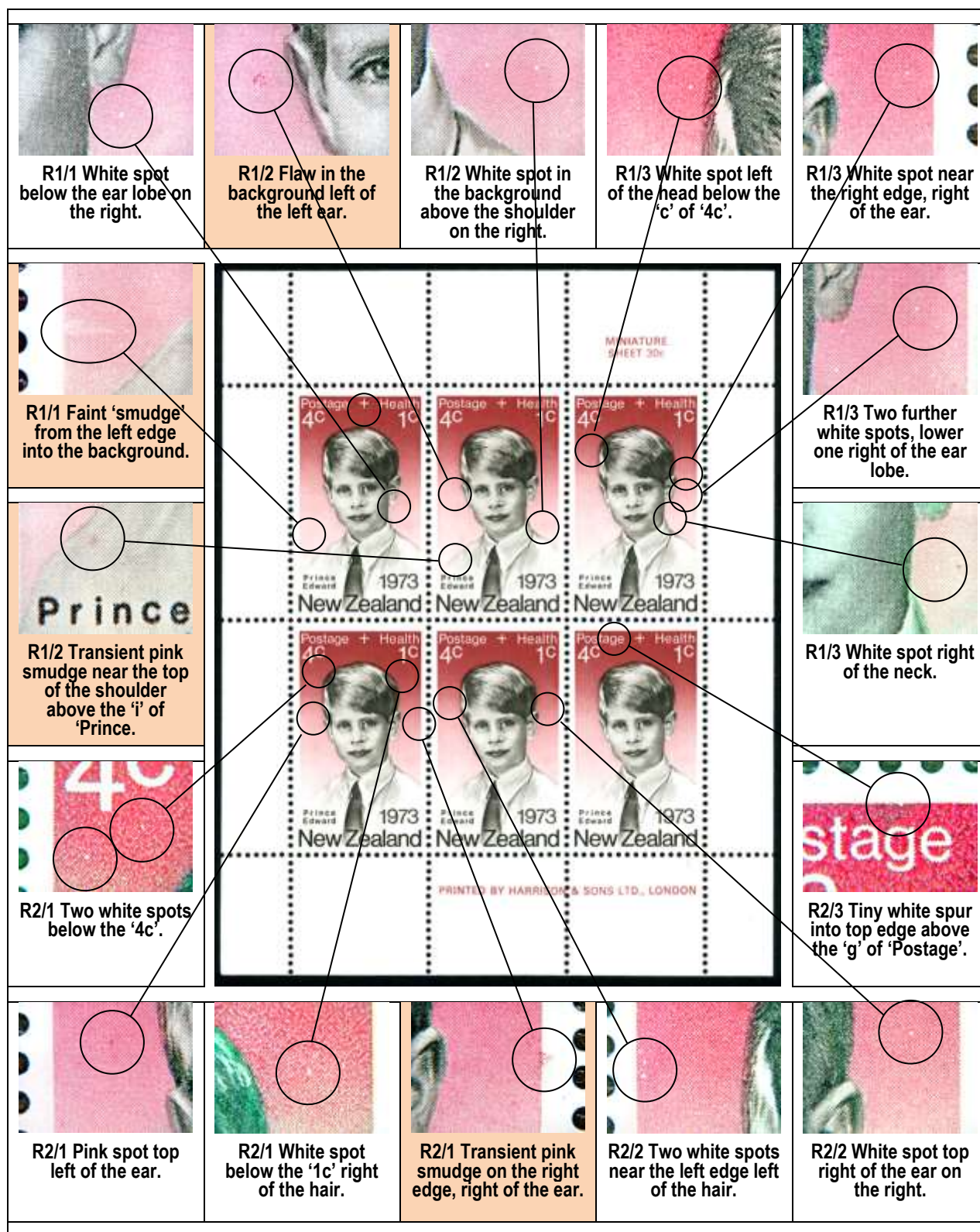
This sheet can be readily identified by the presence of a short horizontal green line that follows the last 'd' of 'Edward' on stamp R1/1.



Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #2

Red Frame Plate

There is a notable retouch to the background left of the ear on the left in the stamp at R1/2, which can readily identify this sheet. There is also a weakness from the left edge of the stamp on R1/1 just above the left shoulder. To note, the two transient varieties noted.



Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #3

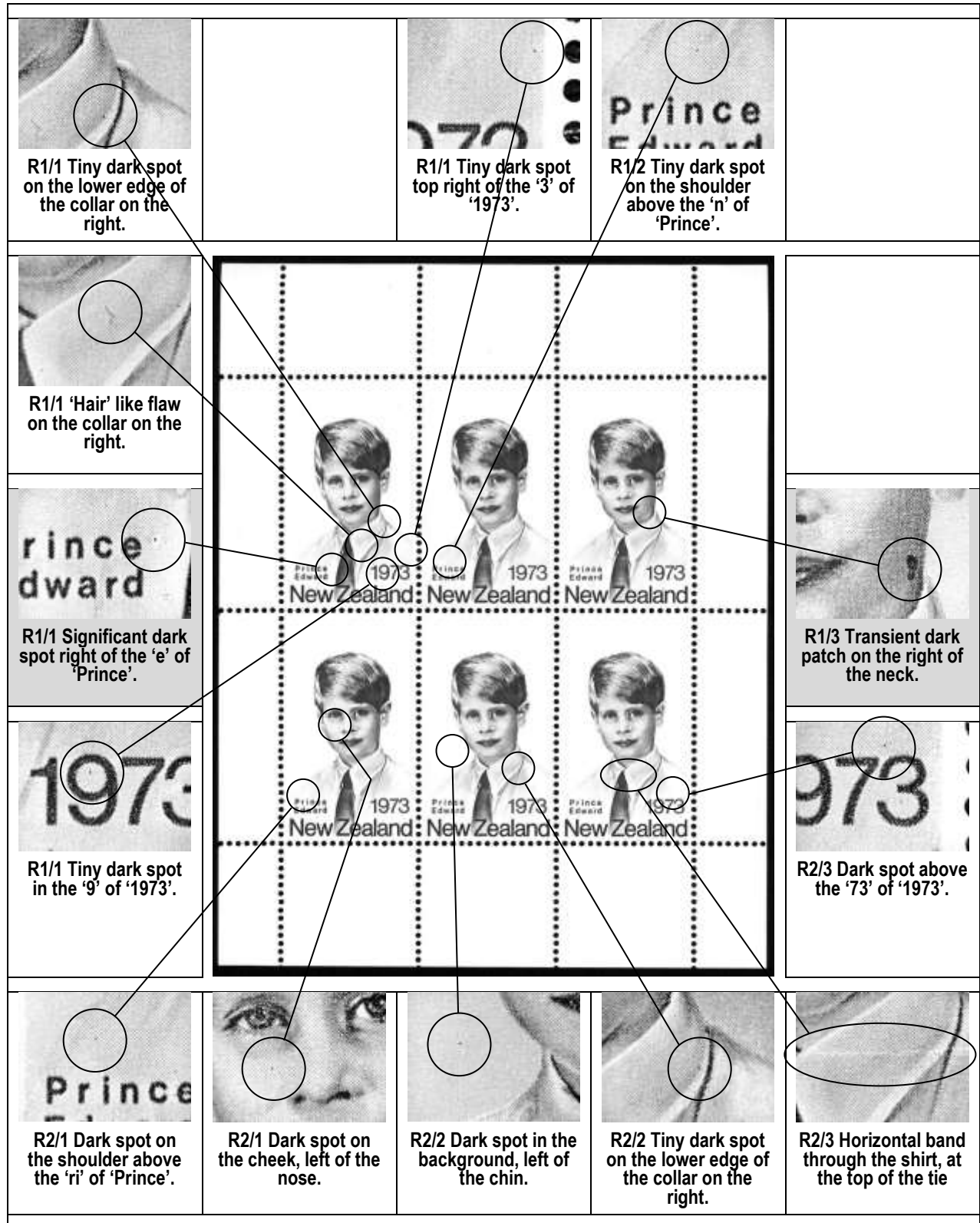
Variety List

○	MS3	R1/1	Centre	Hair like flaw on the collar on the right.	I5	
○	MS3	R1/1	Centre	Significant dark spot right of the 'e' of 'Prince'.	K3	✓
○	MS3	R1/1	Centre	Tiny dark spot in the '9' of '1973'.	K6	
○	MS3	R1/1	Centre	Tiny dark spot near the right edge, top right of the '3' of '1973'.	J7	
○	MS3	R1/1	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the lower edge of the collar on the right.	I6	
○	MS3	R1/1	Green	White spot below the '1c' in the top right corner.	B7	
○	MS3	R1/1	Red	White spot left of the ear on the left.	G2	
○	MS3	R1/1	Red	White spot under the right leg of the first 'H' of 'Health'.	B6	
○	MS3	R1/2	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the shoulder on the left, above the 'n' of 'Prince'.	J K2	
○	MS3	R1/2	Green	Green spot left of the ear on the left.	F2	
○	MS3	R1/2	Red	Near vertical scratch upward from top right of the hair, bottom left of the '1c'.	C6	
○	MS3	R1/2	Red	White spot above the top of the head.	B4	
○	MS3	R1/2	Red	White spot near the left edge below the '4c'.	D1	
○	MS3	R1/3	Red	Significant white spot right of the ear on the right.	E7	
○	MS3	R1/3	Red	Three white spots left of the hair.	D1,E1	
○	MS3	R1/3	Red	White spot above the shoulder on the right, above the '3' of '1973'.	I7 8	
○	MS3	R1/3	Red	White spot in the background, right of the neck.	H7	
○	MS3	R1/3	Red	White spot top left of the first 'H' of 'Health'.	A5	✓
○	MS3	R2/1	Centre	Dark spot on the shoulder on the left, above the 'ri' of 'Prince'.	K1	
○	MS3	R2/1	Centre	Spot on the cheek, left of the nose.	G3	
○	MS3	R2/1	Red	White fleck bottom left of the first 'H' of 'Health'.	A5	
○	MS3	R2/1	Red	White patch below the 'c' of '4c'.	B2	
○	MS3	R2/1	Red	White spot right of the ear in the right.	F7	
○	MS3	R2/2	Centre	Dark spot in the background, left of the chin.	H I2	
○	MS3	R2/2	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the lower edge of the collar on the right, above the '9' of '1973'.	I6	
○	MS3	R2/2	Red	White spot top right of the 'e' of 'Health'.	A6	
○	MS3	R2/3	Centre	Dark spot above the '73' of '1973'.	K7	
○	MS3	R2/3	Centre	Horizontal band, or scratch, through the shirt, at the top of the tie, quite noticeable. Seen in the 4c+1c stamp, does not appear, or is not as prominent, on the 3c+1c.	I J2-I J8	
○	MS3	R2/3	Green	Small green flaw in the background, left of the cheek.	G H2	✓
○	MS3	R2/3	Green	White spot below the 'c' of '3c'.	B2	
○	MS3	R2/3	Red	Three white spots left of the ear on the left.	F1-F2	

Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #3

Centre Plate

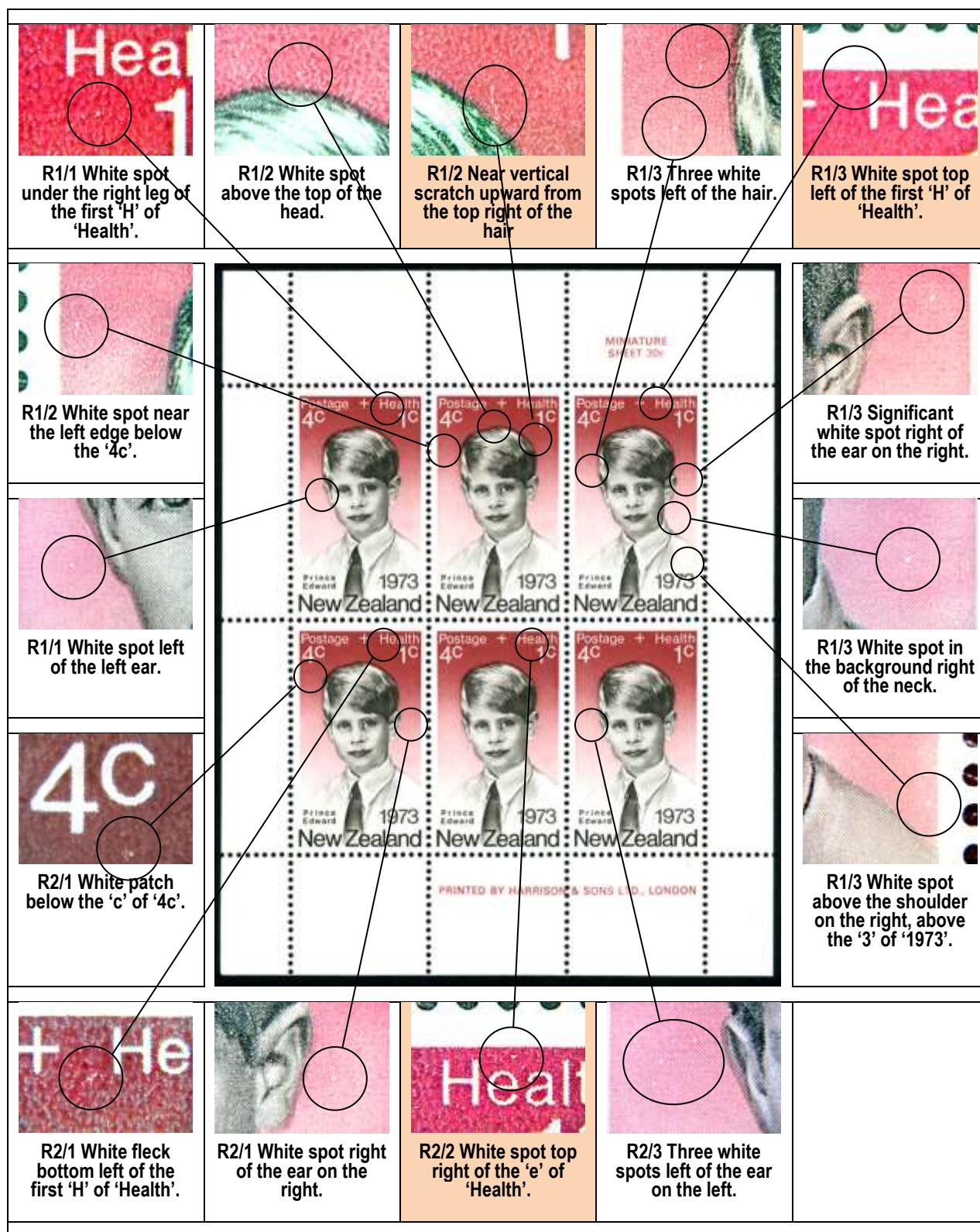
On stamp at R1/1 there is a significant, eye visible, dark spot to the right of the 'e' of 'Prince'. On some sheets there is a large dark spot on the neck on stamp at R1/3. No so obvious is a pale band horizontally through the collar on stamp R1/3, it is constant but not readily seen.



Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #3

Red Frame Plate

There are numerous white spots that affect this stamp. Look for the prominent spots on R1/3, top left of the first 'H' of 'Health', and on R2/2 top right of the 'e' of 'Health'. There is a white scratch from the top of the head on R1/2, but this is not prominent.



Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #4

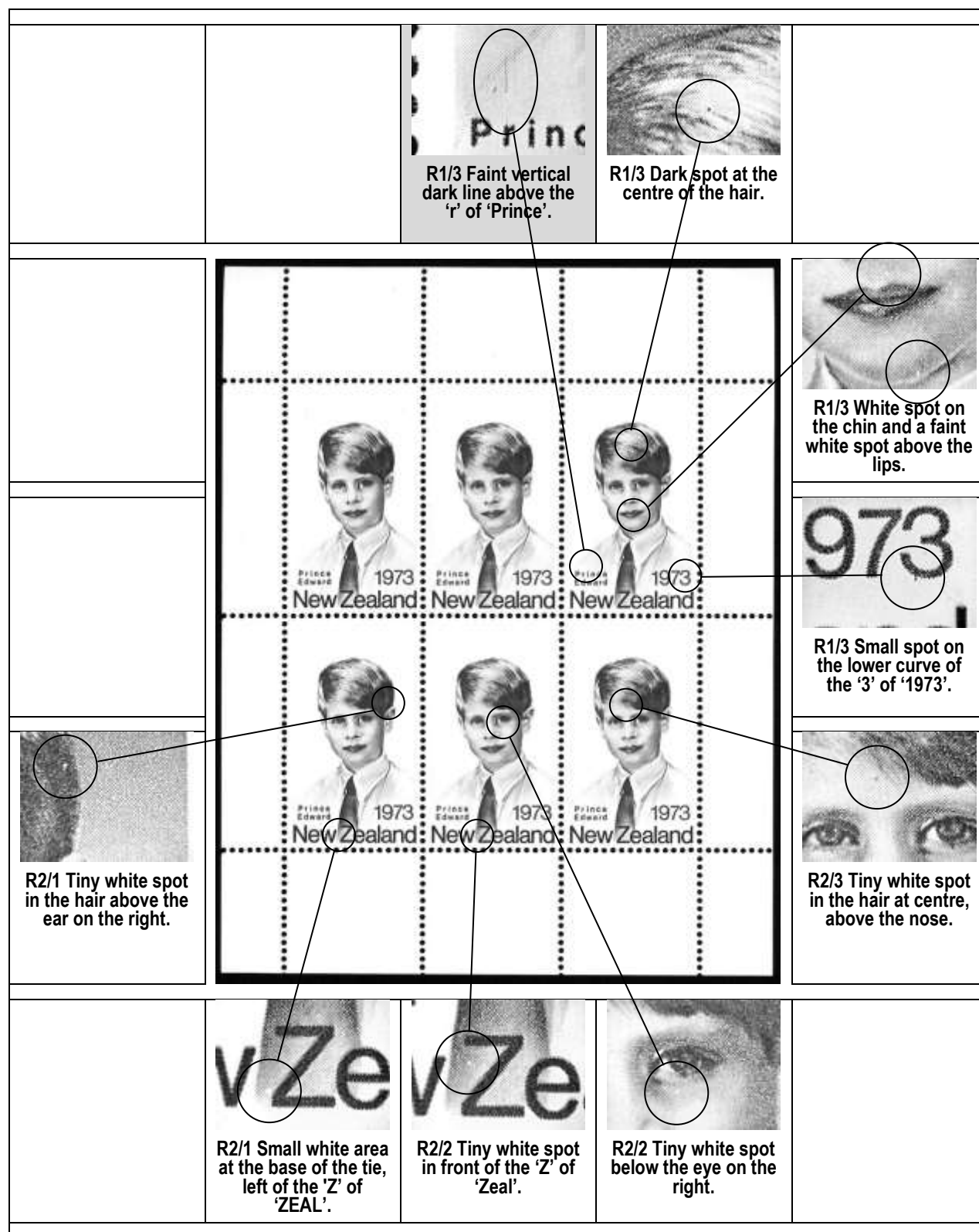
Variety List

○	MS4	R1/1	Green	Green spot and small crescent in the background left of the neck.	H I2	✓
○	MS4	R1/2	Green	Two tiny white spots adjacent to the cheek on the left.	H2	
○	MS4	R1/2	Red	Three white spots top right of the ear on the right.	E7	
○	MS4	R1/2	Red	White spot at the top of the 'ge' of 'Postage'.	A3	
○	MS4	R1/3	Centre	Dark spot at the centre of the hair.	C D4	
○	MS4	R1/3	Centre	Faint vertical line above the 'r' of 'Prince', looks like a doctor blade.	J1-K1	
○	MS4	R1/3	Centre	Small spot just below the lower curve of the '3' of '1973'.	L7	
○	MS4	R1/3	Centre	White spot on the chin and a faint white spot above the lips.	H I 4 5, G4	
○	MS4	R1/3	Red	Multiple faint white spots on the left side, especially bottom left of the ear.	H1	
○	MS4	R1/3	Red	Prominent white spot below the '4' of '4c'.	D1	✓
○	MS4	R1/3	Red	Two white spots on the right side, top right of the ear on the right.	E7-F7	
○	MS4	R1/3	Red	White fleck right of the '+' sign at the top.	A5	
○	MS4	R2/1	Centre	Small white area at the base of the tie, by the left foot of the 'Z' of 'Zeal'.	M3	
○	MS4	R2/1	Centre	Tiny white spot in the hair above the ear on the right.	D6	
○	MS4	R2/1	Red	White spot left of the top of the ear on the left.	F1	
○	MS4	R2/2	Centre	Tiny white spot below the eye on the right.	F4 5	
○	MS4	R2/2	Centre	Tiny white spot in front of the 'Z' of 'Zeal'.	L M3	
○	MS4	R2/2	Green	Multiple green spots in a patch near the centre of the left edge of the stamp.	G1	
○	MS4	R2/2	Green	White spot adjacent to the left edge, by the top of the parting in the hair.	D1	
○	MS4	R2/2	Red	Prominent white spot top right of the ear on the right.	E7	✓
○	MS4	R2/2	Red	White spot bottom right of the ear on the right.	G7	
○	MS4	R2/2	Red	White spot top left of the ear on the left.	E F 1 2	
○	MS4	R2/3	Centre	Tiny white spot in the hair at centre, above the nose.	D4	
○	MS4	R2/3	Green	White spot below the 3c'.	B C1	
○	MS4	R2/3	Green	White spot immediately above the top of the ear on the left.	F2	
○	MS4	R2/3	Green	White spot right of the neck, midway to the right edge.	H7	
○	MS4	R2/3	Green	White spot to the right of the top of the ear on the right.	F7	
○	MS4	R2/3	Red	Four white spots in the background, top left of the head and below the '4c'.	C1-D2	
○	MS4	R2/3	Red	Prominent white spot left of the hair, midway to the left edge.	E1	
○	MS4	R2/3	Red	White spot near the right edge, right of the bottom of the ear on the right.	G7	

Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #4

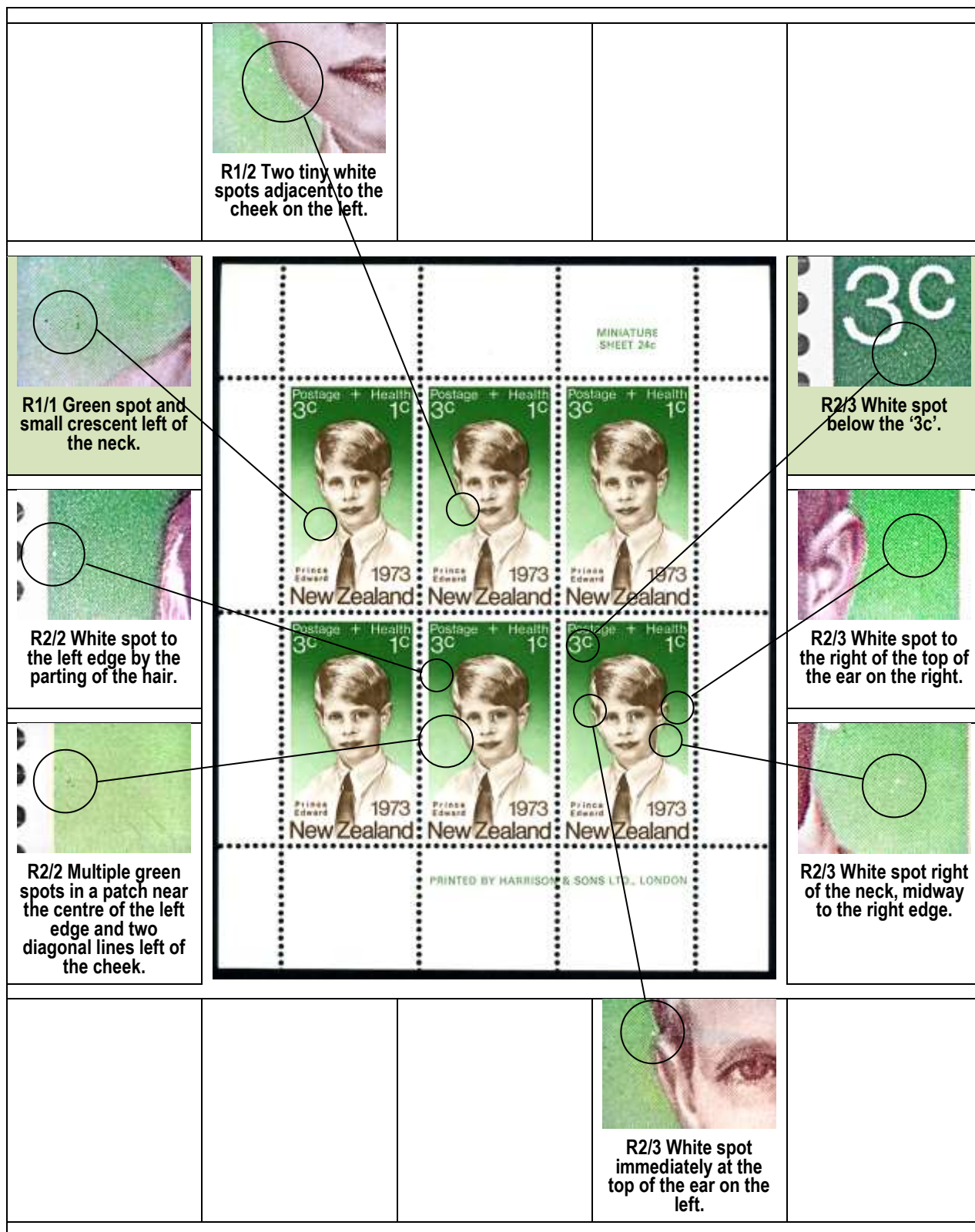
Centre Plate

There is little to distinguish this stamp. With the aid of a magnifying glass, look for a vertical dark line above the 'r' of 'Prince' on stamp at R1/3. This is quite faint but is unique to this miniature sheet.



Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #4 Green Frame Plate

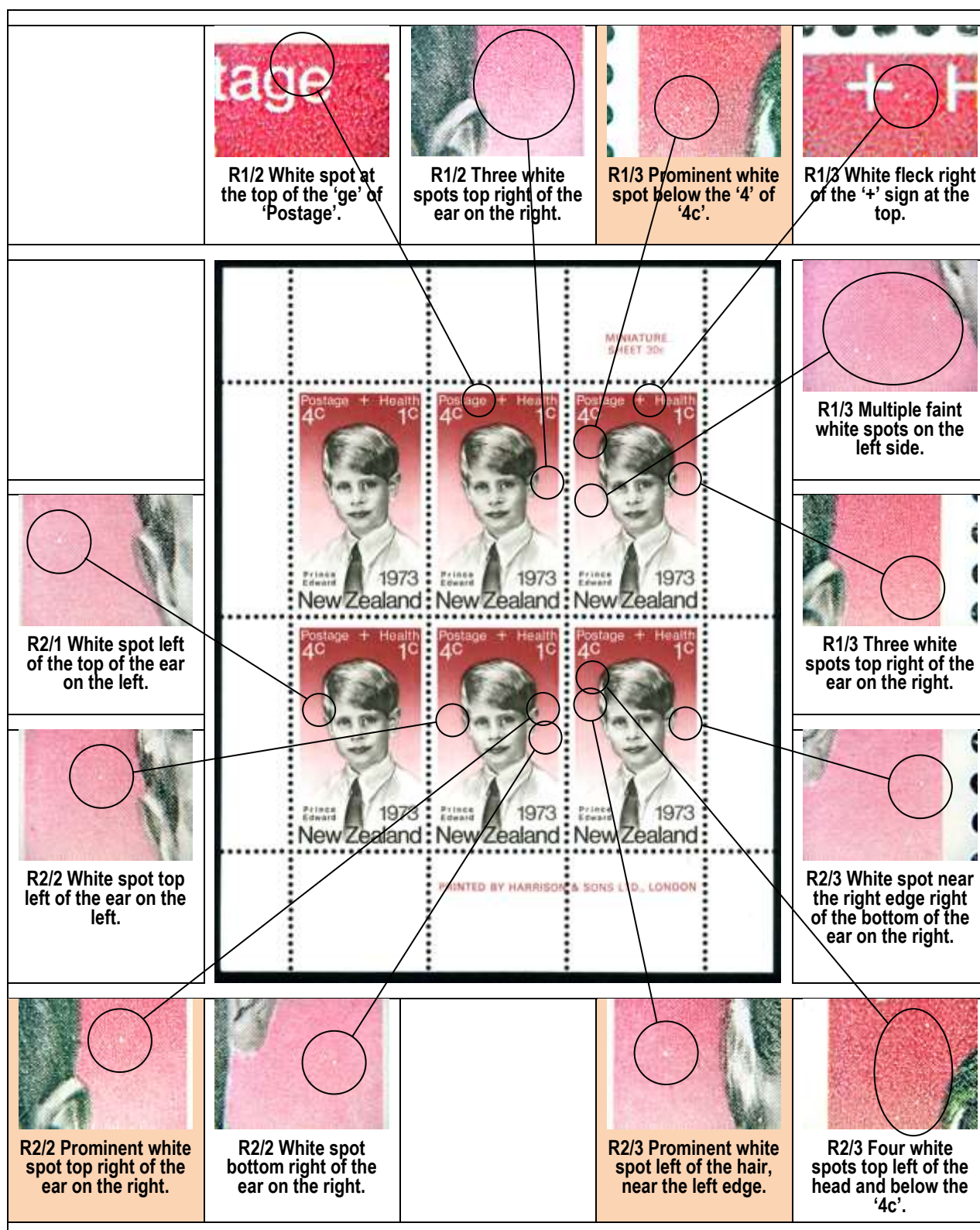
There is little to distinguish this stamp from the others, but look for a small green spot and crescent in the background to the background above the shoulder on the left, on stamp R1/1.



Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #4

Red Frame Plate

Once again there are only white spots to differentiate this sheet. Look for the neighbouring prominent white spots on R2/2 and R2/3, the first top right of the right ear the second top left of the head. On the stamp at R1/3, the outer edge of the shoulder at top left is patchy, losing the uniformity of the shading, becoming broken, best seen in the black 4c+1c, but it is also evident in the brown of the 3c+1c.



Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #5

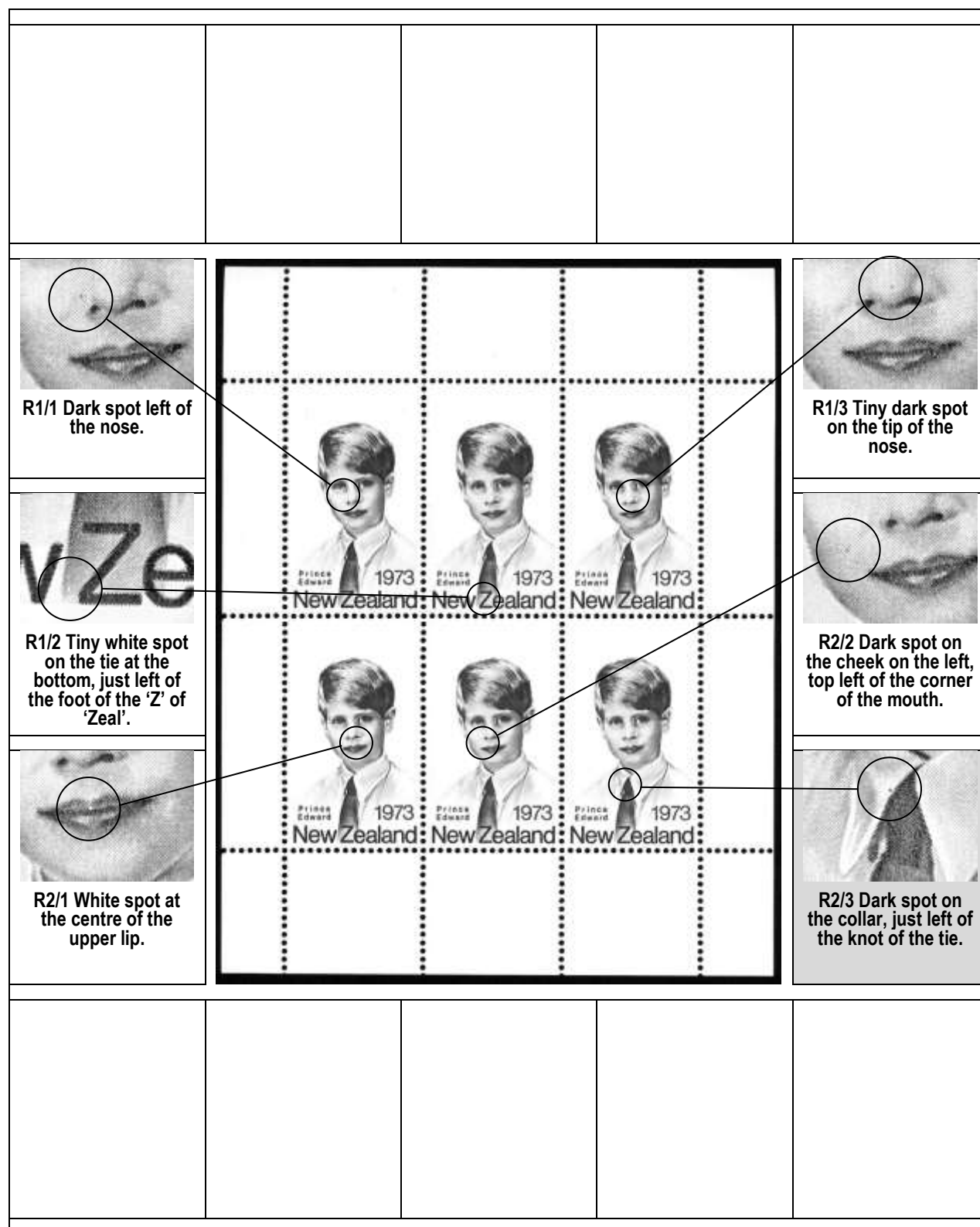
Variety List

○	MS5	R1/1	Centre	Dark spot left of the nose.	G3	
○	MS5	R1/1	Green	Patch of dark green lines (thumb print?) left of the ear on the left.	F1-F2	
○	MS5	R1/1	Green	Tiny white spot above the shoulder on the left.	I2	
○	MS5	R1/1	Green	White spot left of the hair on the left.	D2	
○	MS5	R1/1	Red	Tiny white spot below the '4' of '4c'.	D1	
○	MS5	R1/1	Red	White spot left of the hair, top left of the ear.	E1	
○	MS5	R1/2	Centre	Tiny white spot on the tie, at the bottom, just left of the foot of the 'Z' of 'Zeal'.	M3	
○	MS5	R1/2	Green	Faint green spot left of the 'P' of 'Prince'.	K1	
○	MS5	R1/2	Green	Tiny white spot left of the collar on the left.	I2	
○	MS5	R1/2	Green	White patch in the background, left of the hair on the left, midway to the left edge.	E1	
○	MS5	R1/2	Red	Dark red spot on the right edge, right of the neck.	H8	
○	MS5	R1/2	Red	White spot right of the ear on the right.	F7	
○	MS5	R1/2	Red	White spot right of the neck.	G H6	
○	MS5	R1/3	Centre	Tiny dark spot on the tip of the nose.	G4	
○	MS5	R1/3	Green	Faint green spot left of the 'P' of 'Prince'. As R1/2	K1	
○	MS5	R1/3	Green	Green spot above the shoulder on the left, above the two constant spots.	I J1	✓
○	MS5	R1/3	Green	Tiny white spot near the right edge of the stamp, right of the collar.	H7	
○	MS5	R1/3	Red	Large light red spot near the left edge, left of the centre of the head.	D1	✓
○	MS5	R1/3	Red	Large white spot left of the chin, midway to the left edge.	H2	
○	MS5	R1/3	Red	Multiple tiny white spots bottom left of the ear on the left.	G2-H2	
○	MS5	R1/3	Red	Small flaw above the shoulder on the left.	I1	✓
○	MS5	R1/3	Red	Three white spots right of the ear on the right, including a large a large spot on the right edge, right of the centre of the ear on the right.	F7-F8	
○	MS5	R2/1	Centre	White spot at the centre of the upper lip.	H4	
○	MS5	R2/1	Green	Diagonal green line left of the ear on the left.	F1	✓
○	MS5	R2/1	Green	Tiny green spots left of the neck, midway to the left edge.	H I2	
○	MS5	R2/1	Green	Tiny white spot bottom left of the 's' of 'Postage'.	A1 2	
○	MS5	R2/1	Red	Tiny red spot top left of the 'P' of 'Prince'.	K1	
○	MS5	R2/2	Centre	Dark spot on the cheek on the left, top left of the corner of the mouth.	G3	
○	MS5	R2/2	Green	Green flaw on top of the shoulder on the right, with a green spot above.	I7	✓
○	MS5	R2/2	Green	Tiny green spot adjacent to the neck, below the ear on the right.	G6	
○	MS5	R2/2	Red	Tiny white spot adjacent to the hair, above the ear on the right.	E6	
○	MS5	R2/2	Red	Tiny white spot right of the top of the ear on the right, midway to the right edge.	F7	
○	MS5	R2/3	Centre	Dark spot on the collar, just left of the knot of the tie.	I J4	✓
○	MS5	R2/3	Green	Green smudge in the right margin, above the shoulder on the right.	I8	✓
○	MS5	R2/3	Green	Tiny white spot on the left edge of the stamp, left of the ear on the left.	F1	
○	MS5	R2/3	Red	Tiny white spot right of the earlobe on the right and two further spots near the right edge.	G6, F G7	

Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #5

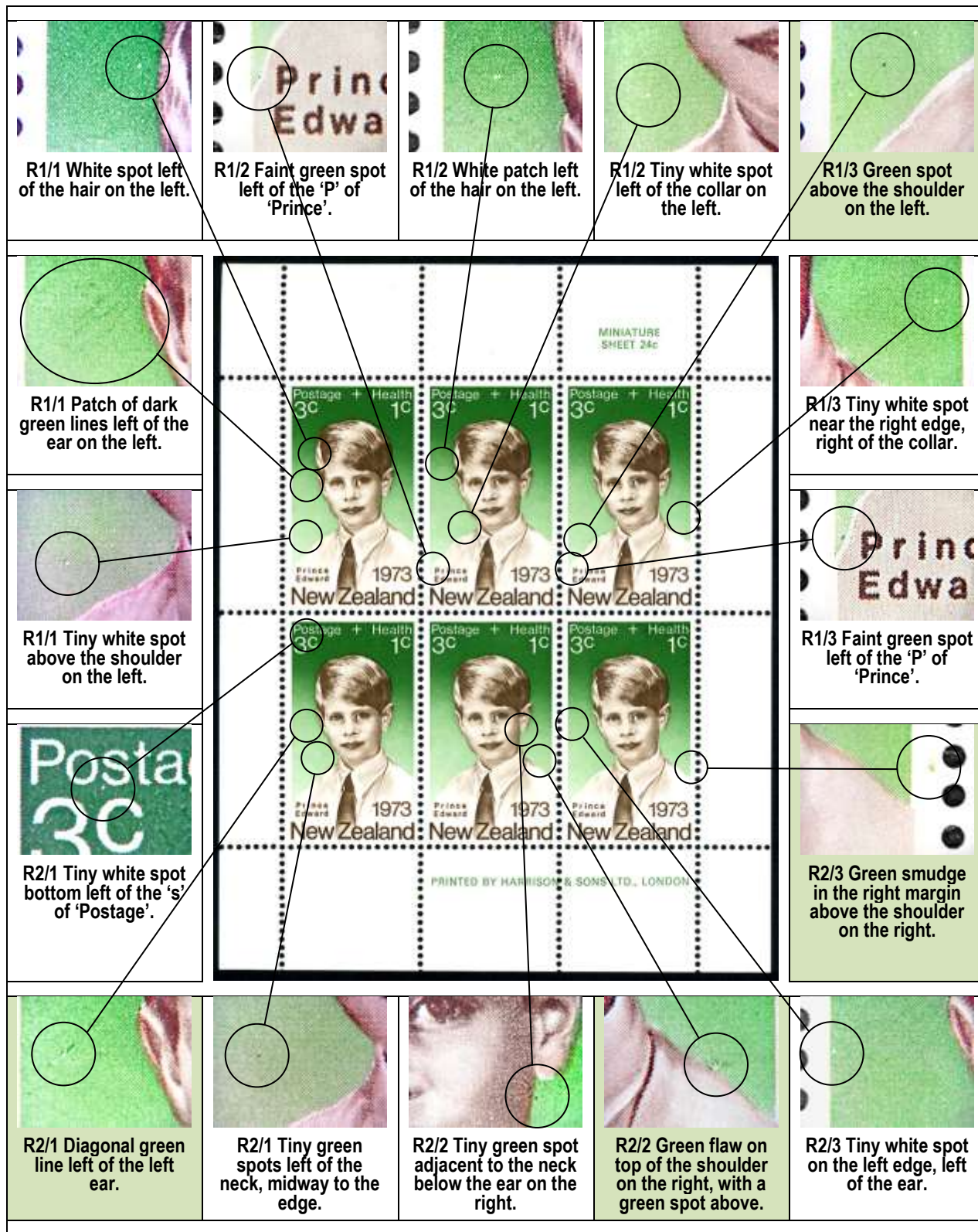
Centre Plate

There is little to differentiate this sheet from others. Look for the dark spot just left of the knot of the tie on stamp at R2/3. There are minor varieties that can be used to confirm.



Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #5 Green Frame Plate

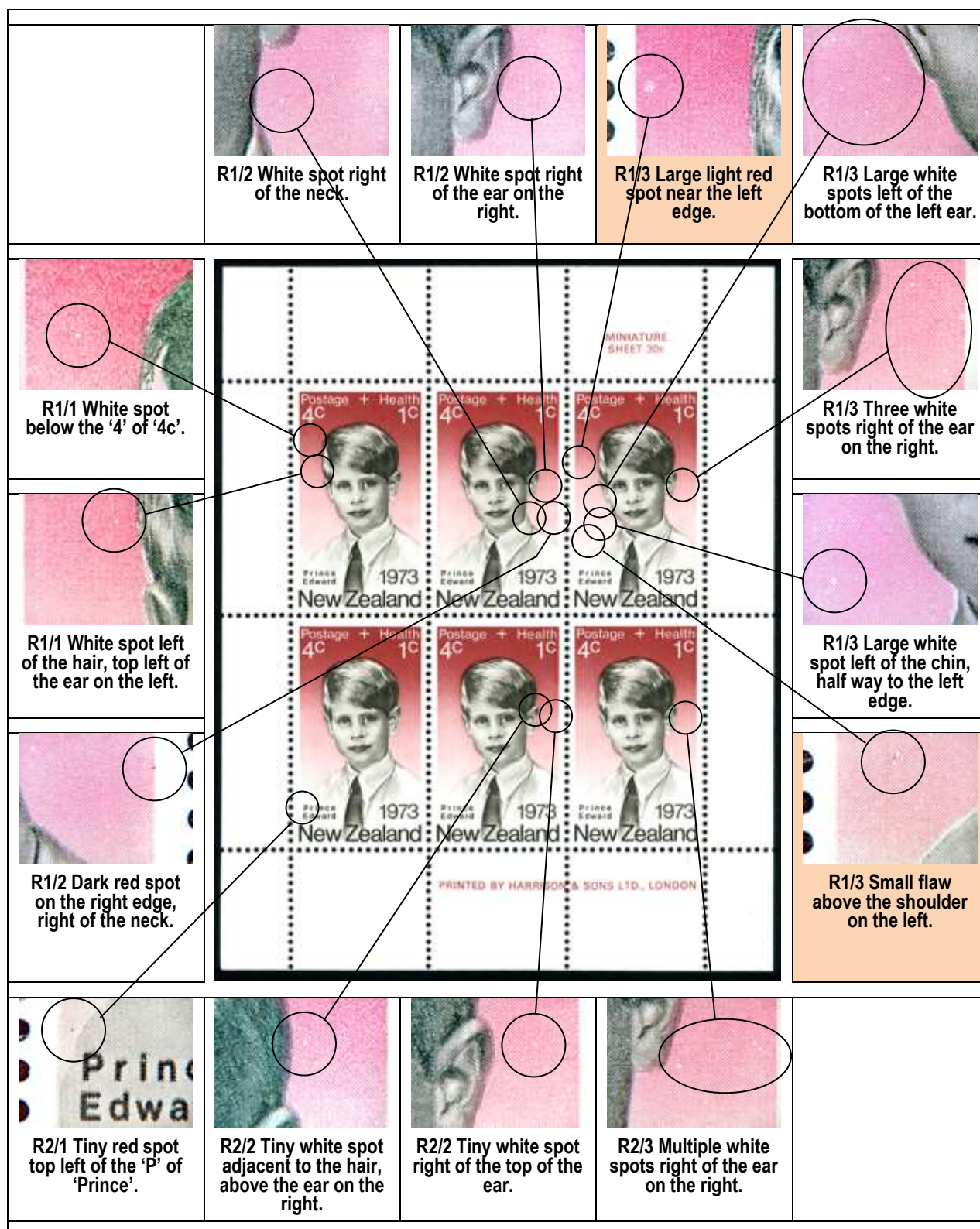
There are a few significant varieties on this sheet. To easily identify this stamp look for the green smudge that is seen in the right margin of the stamp R2/3.



Miniature Sheet Plating: Sheet #5

Red Frame Plate

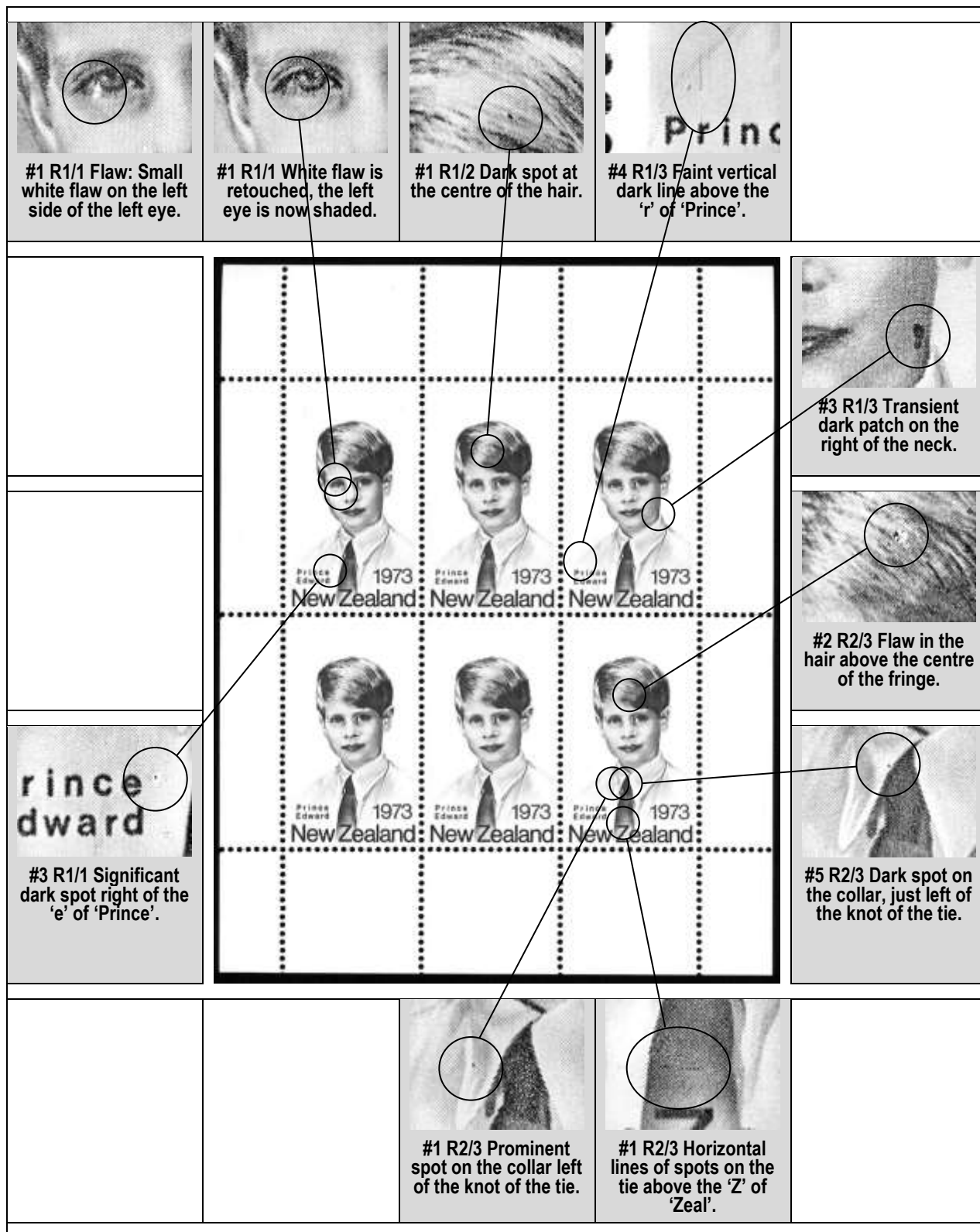
On stamp at R1/3 there is a large white circular patch near the left edge at top left. Also on R1/3 there is a circular flaw above the shoulder on the left. Check for the multiple white spots to confirm this sheet.



Variety Map

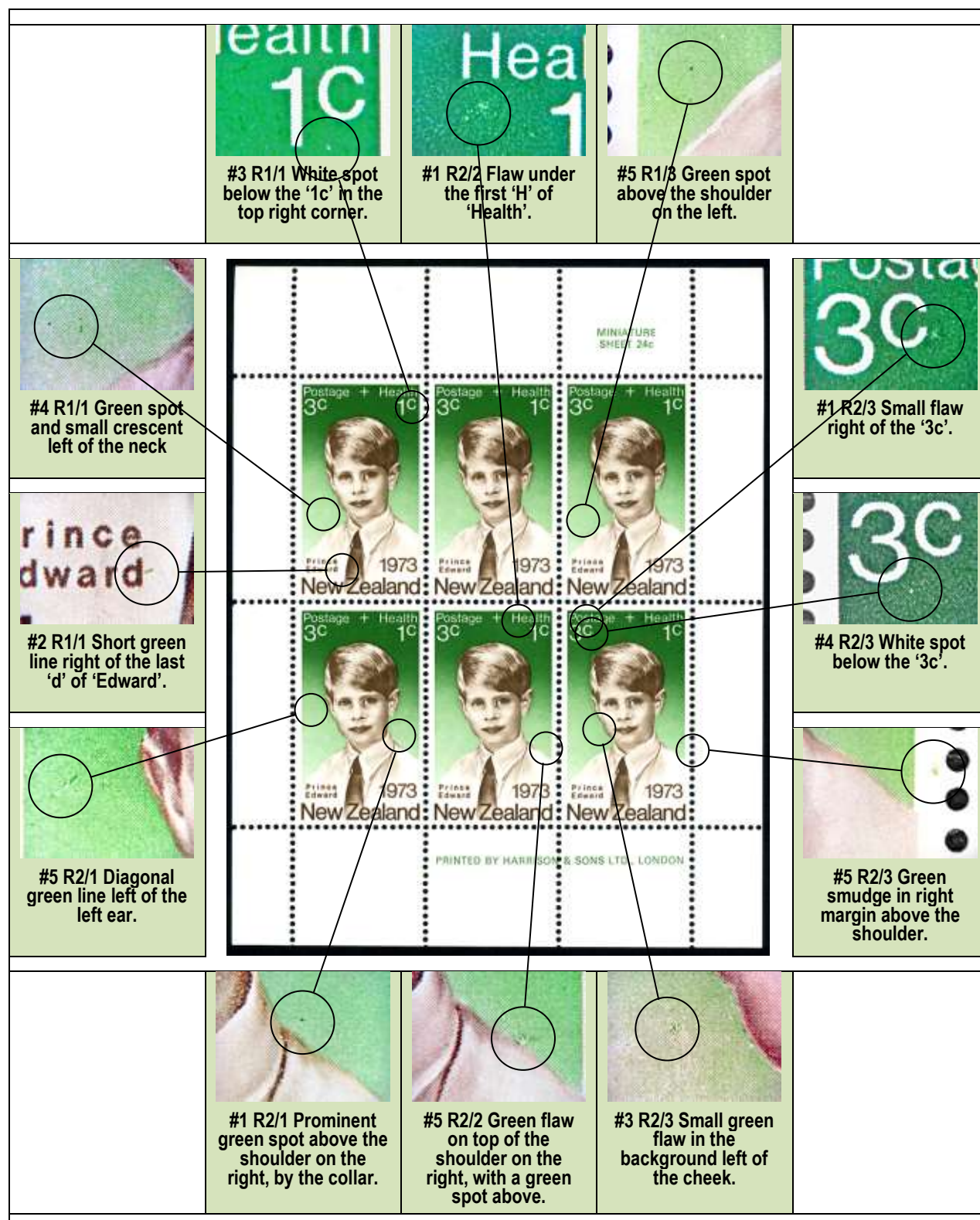
Centre Plate (Black/Brown)

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Variety Map 3c+1c Frame Plate (Green)

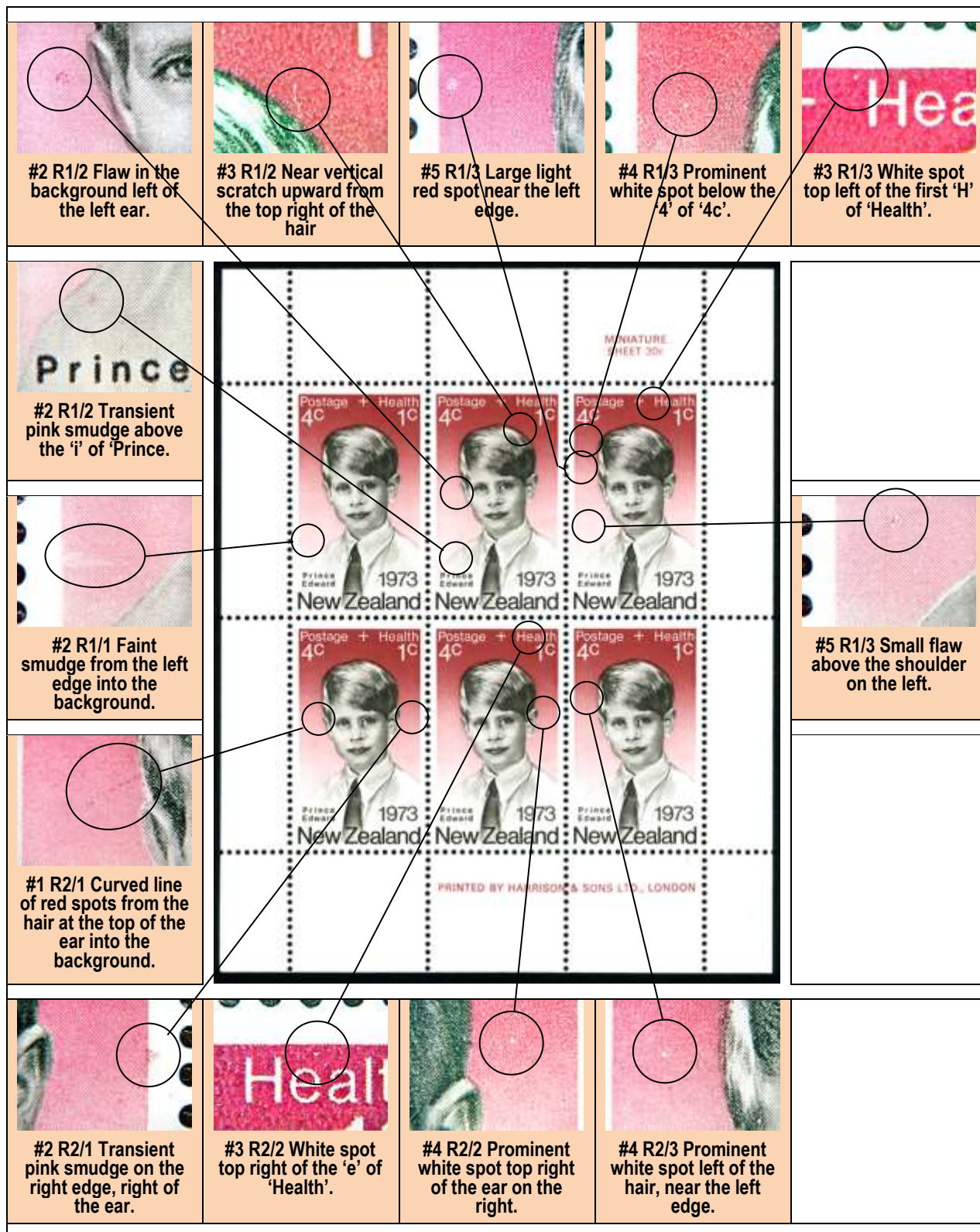
The miniature sheets for this value were printed from a large sheet containing 5 miniature sheets. The centre plate was used for both miniature sheets and the same centre plate varieties can be found on both values.



Variety Map

4c+1c Frame Plate (Red)

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