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Bird of the year. Greater spotted eagle

On March 12, 2019 the Ministry of Communications and Informatization of the Republic of Belarus will issue the stamp "Greater spotted eagle" of the series "Bird of the year".

A series continuation. Beginning nos. 473-475, 501, 501A, 559, 600, 635, 679, 720, 779, 815, 866, 919, 949, 1008, 1063, 1113, 1191 and 1248. **Artist:** Alexander Mityanin. **Design:** Marina Vitkovskaya. **Print process:** offset. **Colour:** multicoloured. **Paper:** chalk-surfaced, gummed. **Perforations:** comb 13:13^{1/2}. **Stamp size:** 26x37 mm. **Sheet composition:** 7 stamps & 1 coupon. **Sheet size:** 130x94 mm. **Print quantity:** 56.000 stamps.

Printer: Republican Unitary Enterprise "Bobruisk Integrated Printing House named after A.T.Nepogodin".

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Greater spotted eagle

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Elements of protection



Letter "P" is equal to the air-mail tariff of a letter up to 20 gram abroad.

The 21st Congress of the public organization "Ahova ptushak Batskaushchyny" (Protection of Homeland Birds) declared the Greater spotted eagle the bird of the year 2019 in Belarus.

The Greater spotted eagle is one of the rarest birds of prey in Europe, and it is in danger of extinction.

In Belarus the Greater spotted eagle can be found mainly in the territory of the Pripyat Polesie. Outside of this region it is extremely rare. The largest population lives in the area of the Olmanskiye swamps.

The current number of the birds in Belarus is estimated at 150–200 pairs, which is about 15% of the European population of the species.

The Greater spotted eagle is listed in the Red Book of the Republic of Belarus since 1981.

The project was prepared with the assistance of the public organization "Ahova ptushak Batskaushchyny".

The stamp contains the logos of the global partnership of conservation organizations "BirdLife International" and the Belarus public organization "Ahova ptushak Batskaushchyny" (APB).

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Colour of the postmark - black.

Special **postmark** and **FDC**
painted by A.Mityanin,
designed by M.Vitkovskaya

A special cancellation on FDC will be carried out at the post office No.1 of Minsk (shop "Philately", 16 Moskovskaya street) on the stamp issuing day.



A maximum card "Greater spotted eagle" will be issued too.
Artist A.Mityanin. Design by M.Vitkovskaya.