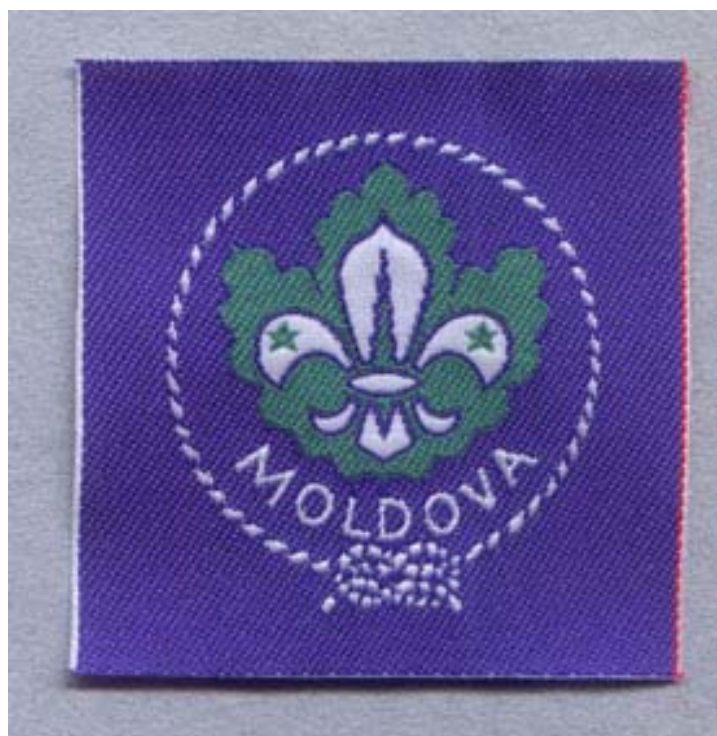


Specialized Catalogue of
MOLDOVA
SCOUT & GUIDE
BADGES

in

COLOR



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Editorial

Welcome to the badges of Moldova. While not to any scale, all the badges in the book are real and from my collection or used with permission of collectors from around the world that collect this region. The date on the bottom of the front cover indicates how current this book is. It will be changed as fast as new badges are made or come to light.

I have been asked why not produce this as a hardcover book? The answer is quite simple, I feel it is not environmentally friendly any longer to produce these as books and second it is much easier to spread them around as files over the Internet. Feel free to spread this file around. It is totally free and available to anyone who would like a copy. This being said, there is nothing stopping the owner from printing out the file for their own use. It has been formatted to print out two sided with the proper margins at the center for binding.

You will see gaps in the catalogue. I need these as pictures or badges for my own collection. If you can help either way contact me at worldbadger@yahoo.com. I am also sure this book is incomplete so please let me know what is missing and I will add it in to the next edition. I am hoping to, gradually over time, gather a lot more information and add it to the book. If there are errors or omissions let me know and I will edit them out and send you a new copy.

Most of all, have fun collecting and spread it around.

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USING THE SPECIALIZED LISTINGS

When it became apparent that existing catalog methods no longer met my needs to list my collection I sat down and created my own. The basis for this was that any scout collectable could be included. Not that all are, but it is possible for anything collected by the scouting fraternity to be included in the listings. The first evolution in this was to digitalize it with listings using a word processor. This worked great until it became far too large to work for most word processors. I then wrote a database program to keep the listing in. This made entry of new items relatively easy and maintenance of the listings equally refreshing. It also allowed for pictures to be stored with the listing for the first time. The newest evolution is what you have in front of you; a totally digital listing PDF file with all the pictures to illustrate what each item looks like.

These listings are based on 6 sections to each piece;

1. Country
2. Association
3. Section
4. Sub-Section
5. Heading
6. Listing

Of all these, the part labeled SECTION is the only one that has a specific breakdown that is rigidly followed. There are seven possible choices for the SECTION;

1. National Emblems
2. Sponsored Groups
3. Youth/Adult Programs
4. Location Identification
5. Regional/National Events
6. Awards
7. Other

As the database grew in size and the listing became more diversified several other decisions had to be made. First was to keep local Camps, Camporees, Jamborettes etc. listed with the location identification. Designations were assigned as follows; (x) for anniversary, centennial, or leadership identifications, (y) for camps and (z) for events. The year was also added in so an 'x1984' badge is identified as a type of badge and issue. If there is more than one badge for the year then a lower case letter is used to order them.

A second decision that was made involved Jamborees. There are a number of different items associated with a jamboree so a numbering system was created for identifying the sections of these items;

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- 1 – Official Items
- 2 – Staff and Souvenir Items
- 3 – Sub-Camp Items
- 4 – Regional/Country Items
- 5 – Local/Area/Region Items
- 6 – Troop Items
- 7 – Miscellaneous Items

For World Jamboree's and other International Jamborees, a three letter country code and a lower case letter is used if more than one item is listed for sections 4-5-6. Thus a 4-CZEa listing is a Country Item from Czech Republic and is the first of many items because there is an 'a' at the end. Subsequent issues would be listed as 4-CZEB, 4-CZEc etc.

Each listing is described as follows;

No.	Type	Size	Bkgd	Bdr	Let	FDL	Notes
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1. National Emblems

Name Identification:

a)	R	Fold x 19	NBL	----	YEL	----	Strip. ECLAIREURS NEUTRES EUROPEENS
b)	R	Fold x 25	WHT	----	RED	----	Strip. ECLAIREURS NEUTRES DE FRANCE
c)	R	Fold x 17	WHT	----	RED	----	Strip. ECLAIREURS NEUTRES DE FRANCE
d)	R	Fold x 15	NBL	----	YEL	----	Strip. ECLAIREURS NEUTRES DE FRANCE

Each listing has a title that describes what is being listed. Under this lists all the varieties with a lower case letter used for each variety. Each one is different in some way. The next seven columns allow you to identify each variety.

Type – what the item is made of or looks like. Here is a listing of the TYPE codes used in these listings.

EB – Embroidered and Bound	E – Embroidered
R – Ribbon	B – Ribbon bound on all 4 sides
RB – Ribbon with backing	HB – Ribbon, bound on only 2 sides
F – Felt backing material	P – Printed
SP – Screen-printed	VY – Vinyl background material
W – Woven	L – Leather background material
SEB – Solid embroidered, bound	TEB – Twill embroidered, bound

Size – always width by height. For ribbon badges the cut edge is referred to as the fold. All measurements are in millimeters. For irregular shaped badges it is the maximum measurements that are used. Measurements are always in the designation a badge is meant to be viewed. This is particularly important in diamond shaped badges as the measurements are given in the shape of the diamond and not in the shape of the rectangle in which it is made. Circular badges are always the maximum diameter. Measurements given are of the badges I have in my collections. Because the manufacture of badges is not an exact science, other badges from the same design may be slightly larger or smaller. A variety is expected to have at least a 2mm difference from another badge in most cases. There are some badges without a size due to the nature of

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manufacture. These are mostly badges where the edges are meant to be folded under before being sewn to the uniform. These are identified in the notes a LARGE PIECE and no size given.

Color – this is perhaps the most difficult to identify. Not all of us see color exactly the same. There is also the difficulty of determining the name of certain shades. As an example, for blue there is royal blue, navy blue, sky blue, turquoise, powder blue, aquamarine and denim blue. Added to all shades are the designations of dark, light, pale and deep. There are also the possibilities of dual colors to make shades such as blue/green and blue/gray. Designating these is extremely difficult. What I started with were Prince Watkins 3 letter codes for colors. For the most part these have worked very well. There are instances however, where some of the colors could not be accurately depicted in these three letter codes so further designation in the notes had to be made.

Here is a listing of the basic colors;

WHT – White	BLK – Black	BLU – Blue
GRN – Green	RED – Red	YEL – Yellow
ORG – Orange	PUR – Purple	BRN - Brown

Some specific shades are;

PNK – Pink	TUQ – Turquoise	AQU – Aquamarine
RST – Rust	TAN – Tan	KHA – Khaki
CRM – Cream	GLD – Gold	SIL – Silver
GRY – Gray	MVE – Mauve	AGN – Apple green
FGN – Forest green	NBL – Navy blue	

Some specific shades are;

Dark – add a D to the first letter and adjust the rest.
DBL – Dark blue DGN – Dark Green
DRD – Dark red DOR – Dark orange

Light – add an L to the first letter and adjust the rest.
LYL – Light yellow LBL – Light blue
LGY – Light gray LPR - Light purple

Pale – add a P to the first letter and adjust the rest.
PGY – Pale gray PYL – Pale yellow
PGN – Pale green PBN – Pale brown

Bright – add a B to the first letter and adjust the rest.
BGN – Bright green BBL – Bright blue (also baby blue)
BOR – Bright orange BGD – Bright gold

Combined colors – add the two together to get a three letter code.
BGY – Blue/gray BGN – Blue/green
ROR – Red/orange GYB – Gray/blue

Mylar colors – single letter at the start with MY added to it.
GMY – Gold Mylar SMY – Silver Mylar

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As you can see, color combinations can go on for a very long time, as there are many combinations possible.

Backing has become an identifier in the last 2 decades or so. Today there are various forms of plastic backings, hard and soft pelon backings and even colored backings that all add to the varieties collection. All backings are identified in the notes section of the listing. A backing is seen from the back of the badge making it different from a background, which is seen from the front of a badge.

Embroidered badges are mostly woven on a twill background. This is unless they have solid embroidery over 100% of the badge. Twill is mostly found in ridges that go diagonally across the background of the badge. This twill is what can give the badge its rigid hold. Twill is commonly top left to bottom right; designated as \\\ or from top right to bottom left; designated as ///. It is however, also found in heavy or thick ridges and with no twill at all. Sometimes there is also horizontal or vertical twill. All designations for twill badges are indicated in the notes section of the listing.

Determining a variety is ultimately the collector's decision. In these listing I have attempted to identify as many of the varieties as possible. The collector can decide on what to have in their collections as they gradually get the badges they wish to have. Most off all, it is important that we enjoy our hobby, promote it and assist in the collection of information to help us maintain it.

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Organizatia Nationala a Scoutilor din Moldova

No.	Type	Size	BKG	BDR	LTR	FDL	Notes
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1.National Emblems

Name Identification

a)	R	Fold x 28	WHT	----	BLU	----	Strip. SCOUT MOLDOVA
b1)	R	Fold x 28	WHT	----	BLK	----	Strip. SCOUTII MOLDOVA and flag of Moldova.
b2)	R	Fold x 28	WHT	----	BLK	----	Strip. SCOUTII MOLDOVA and flag of Moldova. Slightly paler shade of blue.



(a)



(b1)



(b2)

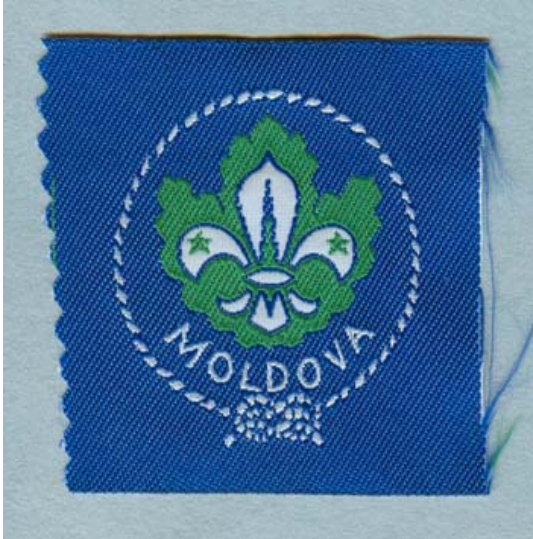
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No. Type Size BKG BDR LTR FDL Notes

3. Youth/Adult Sections

National Emblem

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|-----|---|-----------|-----|------|-----|-----|---|
| a1) | R | Fold x 61 | DBL | ---- | WHT | WHT | MOLDOVA with FDL on map of Moldova all inside rope annulus. |
| a2) | R | Fold x 61 | BLU | ---- | WHT | WHT | MOLDOVA with FDL on map of Moldova all inside rope annulus. |



(a1)



(a2)

Boy Scouts: Membership

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|----|---|-----------|-----|------|-----|------|-----------------------|
| a) | R | 90 x Fold | WHT | ---- | GLD | ---- | Diamond. EXPLORSTORII |
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(a)

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No. Type Size BKG BDR LTR FDL Notes

Rovers: Membership

a) R 60 x Fold WHT ----- BRN ----- INDRUMATORII



(a)

Venture Scouts: Membership

a) R 61 x Fold WHT ----- GLD ----- AVENTURIERII



(a)

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No. Type Size BKG BDR LTR FDL Notes

Wolf Cubs: Membership

a) R 61 x Fold WHT ----- YEL ----- PUII DE CERBI



(a)