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Dear Valued Customer,

International philatelic exhibitions are very important in promoting stamps and other philatelic products across the globe. Birds are a particularly popular theme amongst stamp collectors. Birdpex, an international exhibition focussing on bird stamps, takes place every four years in a different country around the world. This year the exhibition is being held in Luxembourg.

We have produced a special stamp issue on birds to coincide with the exhibition. Francolins are common yet little-known birds that have rarely been featured on postage stamps. As such, they will be a particularly interesting addition to any stamp collection, not just those with an ornithological focus.

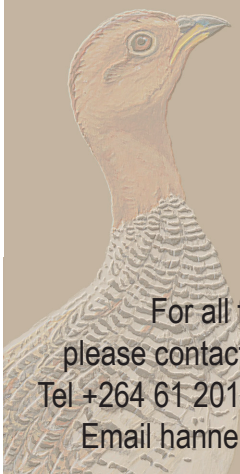
Sincerely,  
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**FRANCOLINS AND SPURFOWL OF NAMIBIA**



***DID YOU KNOW?***

Francolin and spurfowl are simply two different names used by ornithologists (bird experts) for various species of closely-related birds. Although a handful of francolin species occur in Namibia, few people know them. They are extremely well-camouflaged, ground-dwelling birds that are often overlooked. Best-known amongst the five widespread species is the red-billed francolin.



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