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## Bird of the year (II). The White-browed tit-warbler

On December 17, 2020 the State Committee of Information Technology and Communications of the Kyrgyz Republic puts into circulation a Kyrgyz Express Post postage stamp: "Bird of the year (II). The White-browed tit-warbler".

The White-browed tit-warbler (*Leptopoeile sophiae*) is a rare, non-migratory bird of Kyrgyzstan. This is one of the smallest representatives of Kyrgyz fauna. The White-browed tit-warbler is found in shrub lands of the Tian Shan Mountains, in the Jungar Alatau and other mountain ranges in Middle and Central Asia and at altitudes of 2,400 to 4,000 meters above sea level.

The White-browed tit-warbler has a pretty appearance. These birds have a diverse range of colors: sky-blue, blue, purple and reddish. All this, together with its fluffy plumage and relatively long tail, attracts a lot of attention from bird connoisseurs.

Since the White-browed tit-warbler is a rare representative of Kyrgyzstan's avian world, it needs serious measures for its protection and preservation.

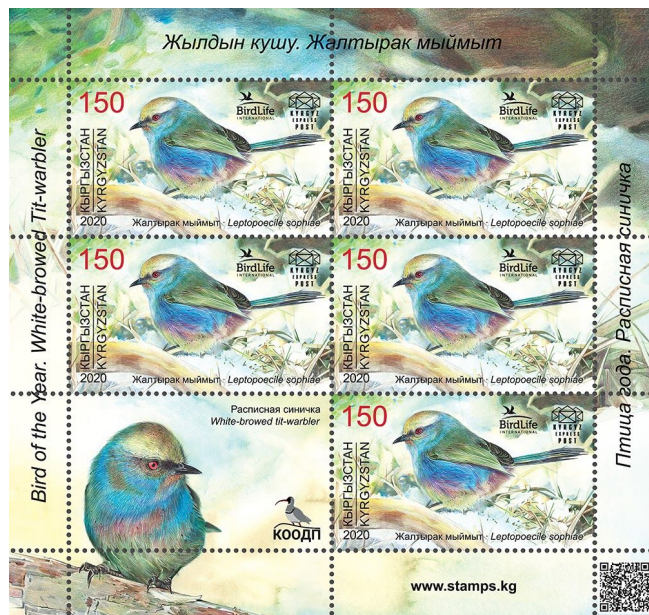
As in the previous year, this issue was designed in close cooperation with the Kyrgyz Wildlife Conservation Society (KWCS), which every year chooses a species to be designated as "Bird Of The Year" in Kyrgyzstan.

For this stamp, KEP also issues a postcard, which is used to realize a maximum card.

### Stamp description

No. 159. 150 KGS. The White-browed tit-warbler.

No. 159



### Technical specifications

**Paper:** coated, gummed, 105 g/m<sup>2</sup>.

**Printing method:** full-color offset lithography.

**Stamp perforation:** comb 14:14½.

**Stamp size:** 46.00 x 27.50 mm.

Stamp is issued in minisheets of 5 stamps (with 1 label). **Minisheet size:** 113.00 x 108.00 mm.

**Quantity issued:** 5 000 stamps.

**Artist:** Daria Maier.

Based on original photos by Ivan Turkovskii.

**Printer House:** "Nova Imprim" (Chişinău, Moldova).

A special cancellation on FDC will be carried out at the Bishkek KEP Office (729001) on the stamp issuing day.



The first day cover and special postmark are designed by Daria Maier.  
Cover size: C6 (162 x 114 mm).  
Cover printing method: full-color offset. Postcard printing method: digital.  
Quantity of covers issued: 250 pieces. Quantity of postcards issued: 250 pieces.  
Endorsing ink color: black.

