The History of the Football World Cup under the Eye of Philately

1978 - June 1st to 25th, ARGENTINA

Played in just 5 cities and 6 different stadiums, Argentina won its first world title at home and the Netherlands National Team left the field defeated in the final for the second consecutive time.

The argentinian mail, repeating what was done in 1966 by the English mail, re-issued a stamp block with changes after the Cup title won by the hosts. In total, 15 stamps were issued referring to the event.



Champions: **Argentina** Runners-up: **Netherlands**

06/03/1978: the original stamp block



09/02/1978: after the title, the reissue of the block with the inscription Argentina Campeon, greater face value, the FIFA cup and a distinct tone of color

Twenty-four years later, the tournament had more than a hundred goals again: 102 scored in 38 games. The 1,000th goal in the history of the Cups was scored by Dutchman Rob Rensenbrink in the game Scotland 3x2 Netherlands



05/25/1977: Stamp block with, in the background, the Olympic stadium in Munich, Germany, inaugurated in 1972 and host of the 1974 World Cup final. On the stamp, the Estadio Monumental de Núñez, of Club River Plate, which would host the 1978 World Cup final.