



The 100th Anniversary of the National Palace Museum Commemorative Issue

Department of Philately

The National Palace Museum collects important cultural assets of universal cultural value. This year, 2025, the Museum celebrates its centenary. Chunghwa Post has issued a set of four stamps and one souvenir sheet showcasing five precious items from its collection. The stamps are described below:

- 1. Ding cauldron with inscription "Ying zuding," late Shang dynasty to early Western Zhou period (NT\$8): This imposing vessel breathes a sacred aura. The cauldron is 85.5 cm high and weighs 94.65 kg. It is the largest and heaviest bronze vessel in the Museum's collection.
- 2. Narcissus basin in bluish-green glaze, Ru ware, Northern Song dynasty (NT\$8): This oval dish has a perfectly smooth, unblemished surface. It is one of the few such vessels to survive. The bluish-green glaze covering the surface breathes an elegant warm hue, like that of a clear sky after rain, the kind of beauty sought by Song dynasty.
- 3. Revolving openwork vase with dragon and lotus decoration in yangcai painted enamels, Qianlong reign, Qing dynasty (NT\$28): The Vase is a masterpiece of intricate and complex creation. By turning the neck, the interior vase with its surface of five-colored auspicious clouds and red bats revolves behind the outer body, presenting a moving spectacle of brilliant color.
- 4. Ganlan Olive Stone Miniature Boat with the Ode to the Red Cliff Carved on the Bottom, Qianlong reign, Qing dynasty (NT\$28): Chen Zuzhang specialized in miniature carving. He made this boat from one olive stone. Both the boat and its occupants within are carved in great detail. On the bottom of the boat is the complete text of Su Shi's "Latter Ode on the Red Cliff" and the carver's seal.









5. Souvenir sheet (NT\$35): Fan Kuan was a famous landscape painter of the Song dynasty. In "Travelers Among Mountains and Streams," the minute travelers and their pack animals are set in sharp contrast with the massive soaring mountains in the distance. The painting has innumerable delicate short strokes constructing the immense body of the mountains, and conveys the majestic sense of nature.

To purchase postage stamps, please go directly to the post office branches, Postal Museum or order on line at https://stamp.post.gov.tw.

The further information about this issue is as follows:

- 1. First day of issue: October 17, 2025
- 2. Sheet composition: $20 (5 \times 4)$
- 3. Paper used: Phosphorescent stamp paper
- 4. Designer: Delta Design Corporation
- 5. Printer: China Color Printing Co., Ltd.
- 6. Stamp size: 30×40 (mm)

- 7. Color: Colorful
- 8. Process: Offset
- 9. Perforation: 12½
- 10. Size of souvenir sheet: 78×130 (mm)
- 11. Stamp size of souvenir sheet: 30×50 (mm)
- 12. Perforation of souvenir sheet: $12\frac{1}{2} \times 13$

By-issues:

- (1) First Day Cover (195 mm × 120 mm): NT\$5 apiece
- (2) FDC for souvenir sheet (220 mm × 158 mm): NT\$5 apiece
- (3) Folder (with or without mount): NT\$10 apiece
- (4) Folder with mount for souvenir sheet: NT\$10 apiece
- (5) Loose-leaf album page: NT\$20 apiece
- (6) Maximum cards: NT\$60 a set
- (7) Pre-cancelled FDC affixed with one NT\$8-denominated stamp: NT\$13 apiece
- (8) Pre-cancelled FDC affixed with a full set of stamps: NT\$77 apiece
- (9) Pre-cancelled FDC affixed with a souvenir sheet:



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NT\$40 apiece

- (10) Pre-cancelled maximum cards: NT\$132 a set
- (11) Stamp set (each set includes a set of four stamps, a FDC, and a folder with mount): NT\$97 a set
- (12) Souvenir sheet set (each set includes a souvenir sheet, a FDC for souvenir sheet, and a folder with mount for souvenir sheet): NT\$60 a set
- (13) Stamp folio: NT\$350 a copy





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Cachet:

A commemorative cachet will be available on the issuing date of the stamps. For further information about the locations of commemorative cachets, please refer to our website at https://www.post.gov.tw.

