



Alpine Plants Postage Stamps (III)

Department of Philately

Following the first two sets of Alpine Plants Postage Stamps issued in 2021 and 2023, Chunghwa Post has offered a third set of four stamps, as described below:

1. *Parnassia palustris* (NT\$8): From the base of glabrous emerald-green orbicular-cordate leaves, the flower stem sprouts with white flowers which blossom from July to September, like plum blossom. The plants grow at mid to high altitudes on shady, ill-lit, cliff scarps and rock faces.



2. *Cirsium tatakaense* (NT\$8): The stem has pinnatisect leaves with elongated lobes. Mature capitula are terminally positioned, nodding at full bloom. Each floret has a purple corolla. This rarely-seen plant blooms between August and October and is endemic to Mt. Jade, where it is found between 2,000 and 3,000 m.



3. *Ranunculus formosa-montanus* (NT\$9): The monomorphic leaves are split into three distinct parts. The yellow flowers blossom from May to August in open spaces along high altitude trails or on sunny slopes.



4. *Codonopsis kawakamii* (NT\$20): Both sides of its ovate leaves are hairy. The campanulate, nipple-shaped, yellowish green flowers bloom from June to August along the edge of forests, thickets and streams at mid to high altitude.

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The further information about this issue is as follows:

1 First day of issue: January 9, 2026	6 Stamp size: 30 × 40 or 40 × 30 (mm)
2 Sheet composition: 20 (4 × 5 or 5 × 4)	7 Color: Colorful
3 Paper used: Phosphorescent stamp paper	8 Process: Offset
4 Drawer: Xu Wei	9 Perforation: 13½ × 12½ or 12½ × 13½
5 Printer: Cardon Enterprise Co., Ltd.	

**By-issues:**

- (1) First Day Cover (195 mm × 120 mm): NT\$5 apiece
- (2) Folder (with or without mount): NT\$15 apiece
- (3) Loose-leaf album page: NT\$15 apiece
- (4) Pre-cancelled FDC affixed with one NT\$8-denominated stamp: NT\$18 apiece
- (5) Pre-cancelled FDC affixed with a full set of stamps: NT\$55 apiece

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