

NEW STAMPS

Railway Tourism of Taiwan Postage Stamps (Issue of 2024)

Department of Philately

Taiwan's railways are wonderfully beautiful and much loved by domestic and foreign travelers alike. Consequently, Chunghwa Post has released a set of five stamps on various trains and tourist attractions. The set has a se-tenant format, and each stamp bears a denomination of NT\$28. Descriptions of the stamps follow:

- 1. This stamp features the cruise-style "Mid-Summer Formosa Train" and the "Future—The Moving Beauty" tourism train. The background includes images of Queen's Head in Yehliu Geopark, Yilan's Turtle Island, and Taitung's Sanxiantai.
- 2. On the topic of Taiwan's high-speed rail, this stamp has a background featuring Kaohsiung 85 Building, Tainan Confucius Temple, Tainan's



Chikanlou, and Taichung Park, as well as The Red House and North Gate in Taipei.

- 3. Featuring trains from the MRT systems of Taipei, Taoyuan Airport and Kaohsiung, the stamp's background includes the National Palace Museum, TAIPEI 101, Taoyuan International Airport, Dragon and Tiger Pagodas in Kaohsiung's Lotus Pond Scenic Area and Kaohsiung Music Center.
- 4. This stamp features a Shay steam locomotive and a diesel locomotive used on the Alishan Forest Railway. The Zhushan and Beimen stations are visible in the background.
- 5. This stamp features narrow-gauge Sugar Railway trains. The background includes the Qiaotou Sugar Factory Club House, the Suantou Sugar Factory Station, and the Xihu Sugar Factory Station.

The further information about this issue is as follows:

- 1. First day of issue: September 13, 2024
- 2. Sheet composition: 10 (2×5)
- 3. Paper used: Phosphorescent stamp paper
- 4. Designer: Mr. Apex Lin, Pang-Soong, Mr. Yung-Chun Weng and Ms. Hsin-Yi Pan

By-issues:

- (1) First Day Cover (220 mm × 158 mm): NT\$3 apiece
- (2) Folder (with or without mount): NT\$8 apiece
- (3) Loose-leaf album page: NT\$16 apiece
- (4) Pre-cancelled FDC affixed with a full set of stamps: NT\$143 apiece

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

- 5. Printer: Cardon Enterprise Co., Ltd.
- 6. Stamp size: 100×30 (mm)
- 7. Color: Colorful
- 8. Process: Offset
- 9. Perforation: 12¹/₂×13¹/₂





Calligraphy Postage Stamps — "Former Ode on the Red Cliff" by Su Shi, Song Dynasty (I)

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In praise of the beauty of calligraphy, Chunghwa Post has chosen "Former Ode on the Red Cliff" by the Song dynasty poet-artist, Su Shi. This scroll is held in the National Palace Museum. Chunghwa Post has planned to present it in three sets. The first set has five se-tenant stamps with each stamp valued at NT\$8.





Su Shi, courtesy name Zizhan, sobriquet The Hermit of Dongpo, came from Meishan in Sichuan. He was equally good at poetry, painting and calligraphy and holds a high place in literature, acclaimed as one of the four great calligraphers of the Northern Song dynasty. The scroll with the Ode is one of the few extant works in his own hand. The brushstrokes are fullbodied yet sedate, showing his understanding of human life. The work is a classic piece of literature having proven its value for nearly a thousand years.

The further information about this issue is as follows:

- 1. First day of issue: September 25, 2024
- 2. Sheet composition: 15 (5 \times 3)
- 3. Paper used: Phosphorescent stamp paper
- 4. Designer: Tseng Kai-chih
- 5. Printer: Cartor Security Printing (France)

By-issues:

- (1) First Day Cover (235 mm × 120mm): NT\$3 apiece
- (2) Folder (with or without mount): NT\$8 apiece
- (3) Loose-leaf album page: NT\$8 apiece
- (4) Maximum cards: NT\$50a set
- (5) Pre-cancelled FDC affixed with a full set of stamps: NT\$43 apiece
- (6) Pre-cancelled maximum cards: NT\$90 a set

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- 6. Stamp size: 33.4 × 58, 35 × 58, 30.4 × 58, 31.7 × 58, 31.5 × 58 (mm)
- 7. Color: Colorful
- 8. Process: Offset
- 9. Perforation: 14

