



Hans Christian Andersen's Fairy Tales Postage Stamps

Department of Philately

The fairy tales of the famous Danish writer, poet and artist, Hans Christian Andersen (1805-1875), have been translated into many languages throughout the world, accompanying generations of children as they grow up.

Chunghwa Post has chosen The Little Mermaid, The Snow Queen, The Little Match Girl, and The Ugly Duckling as the themes for a set of four stamps valued at NT\$8 each. The stamps are designed as paper cutouts and mirror images. The Little Mermaid bravely chooses to trade her voice in exchange for human legs. The Snow Queen and the Little Boy are magically bound together by a magic mirror. On lighting her matches, the Little Match Girl is entranced by visions of joy. After enduring many trials, the Ugly Duckling is at last transformed into a swan. The pictures capture the boundless imagination of Andersen's tales.

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: August 4, 2025

2. Sheet composition: $16 (4 \times 4)$

3. Paper used: Phosphorescent stamp paper

4. Designer: Star Cheng

5. Printer: Jiuh Guan Security Printing Company

6. Stamp size: 50×30 (mm)

7. Color: Colorful

8. Process: Offset

9. Perforation: $12\frac{1}{2} \times 13\frac{1}{2}$

By-issues:

(1) First Day Cover (195 mm × 120 mm): NT\$5 apiece

(2) Folder (with or without mount): NT\$10 apiece

(3) Loose-leaf album page: NT\$10 apiece

- (4) Pre-cancelled FDC affixed with one NT\$8-denominated stamp: NT\$13 apiece
- (5) Pre-cancelled FDC affixed with a full set of stamps: NT\$37 apiece

Relative philatelic products and Hans Christian Andersen's Fairy Tales Postal Cards (NT\$100 a set) will be available at the following branches: Taipei Beimen, Beitou, Nangang, Neihu, Muzha, Keelung Aisan Rd., Banqiao Wunhua Rd., Sanchong Zhongshan Rd., Xinzhuang, Xindian, Tamsui, Shulin, Taoyuan Chenggong Rd., Zhongli, Longtan, Yangmei, Hsinchu Wuchang St., Miaoli Zhongmiao, Taichung Minqyuan Rd., Fongyuan, Changhua Zhongyang Rd., Yuanlin, Nantou Sanhe, Douliou Xiping Rd., Chiayi Yushan, Tainan Chenggong Rd., Xinying, Jiali, Xinxing, Gangshan, Fongshan, Pingtung Minsheng Rd., Yilan Zhongshan Rd., Luodong, Hualien Guoan, Taitung Datong Rd., Magong Zhongzheng Rd. or order on line at https://stamp.post.gov.tw. Pre-order is also acceptable in other branches.



Following the second set of stamps depicting "Former Ode on the Red Cliff," a work by Su Shi of the Song dynasty and is held in the National Palace Museum, issued on November 20, 2024, Chunghwa Post has issued the third set of five se-tenant stamps, each valued at NT\$8.

"Former Ode on the Red Cliff" is the only surviving work of Su Shi's "Ode on the Red Cliff" Calligraphy. The brushstrokes are full-bodied yet sedate. The work combines literature with artistic creation. In 1082, he took a boat excursion with friends to the Red Cliff. He recalled the Battle of the Red Cliff that Sun Quan attacked Cao Cao's forces during the Three Kingdoms period, and showed his understanding of human life.

A stamp collection containing the first, second and third sets of the postage stamps has been released along with the stamps. The design with a 52-centimeter-long horizontal se-tenant strip of fifteen, the collection is worth collecting.





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The further information about this issue is as follows:

1. First day of issue: August 22, 2025

2. Sheet composition: $15 (5 \times 3)$

3. Paper used: Phosphorescent stamp paper

4. Designer: Tseng Kai-chih

5. Printer: Cartor Security Printing (France)

6. Stamp size: 31.2×58 , 38.2×58 , 32.5×58 ,

 $27.3 \times 58, 32.8 \times 58 \text{ (mm)}$

7. Color: Colorful

8. Process: Offset

9. Perforation: 14 or $13\frac{1}{2} \times 14$

By-issues:

(1) First Day Cover (235 mm × 120 mm): NT\$5 apiece

(2) Folder (with or without mount): NT\$10 apiece

(3) Loose-leaf album page: NT\$10 apiece

(4) Maximum cards: NT\$75 a set

(5) Pre-cancelled FDC affixed with a full set of stamps: NT\$45 apiece

(6) Pre-cancelled maximum cards: NT\$115 a set

(7) Stamp collection: NT\$450 a copy

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