

Appendix 1

Date of Issue	Description
7 Jan 2017	<p>1. Year of the Rooster</p> <p>The “Year of the Rooster” stamp issue is the sixth in Hongkong Post’s fourth Lunar New Year special stamp series. To usher in a new year, the stamps feature rooster shaped artefacts made of floral fabric, iron sheet, coloured seashells and golden silverware in four auspicious compositions. This commemorative series is a must-have item to celebrate the festive season. One of the two stamp sheetlets issued this year is printed in silk to complement the festivity of the Chinese New Year.</p>
7 Jan 2017	<p>1a. Gold and Silver Stamp Sheetlet on Lunar New Year Animals – Monkey/Rooster</p> <p>The stamp sheetlet depicts two Chinese zodiac animals, the Monkey and the Rooster, in celebration of the Lunar New Year. The attractive Monkey and Rooster stamps are finished in silver foil and 22K gold-plating respectively.</p>
16 Feb 2017	<p>2. World Heritage in China Series No. 6: Kaiping Diaolou and Villages</p> <p>This sixth stamp sheetlet of the World Heritage in China Series features the Kaiping Diaolou and villages in Guangdong. Diaolou is an iconic architectural form in Kaiping that encompasses living, defence, shelter and security. The architecture juxtaposes rural Chinese and western influences. This stamp sheetlet showcases the bucolic charm of Kaiping villages with a Diaolou on the right overlooking the town. Enhanced by high-resolution printing, this stamp sheetlet gives a vivid depiction of the Kaiping landscape.</p>
23 Mar 2017	<p>3. Paintings and Calligraphy of Professor JAO Tsung-i</p> <p>Professor JAO Tsung-i, an acclaimed sinologist, has eminent achievements in the realms of history, literature, linguistics, philosophy and art. Professor Jao is renowned for his distinctive calligraphy and painting style that fuses classical tradition and innovation. This set of stamps is a miniature showcase of his robust, unrestrained brushstrokes. Graced by the professor’s calligraphy, the stamp sheetlet is a valuable collectible not to be missed.</p>

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25 Apr 2017	<p>4. Revitalisation of Historic Buildings in Hong Kong II</p> <p>Revitalisation of Historic Buildings in Hong Kong II introduces three revitalised buildings, namely Viva Blue House, the Green Hub and Stone Houses Family Garden under Batch II of the Revitalising Historic Buildings Through Partnership Scheme, as well as Oi!, PMQ and the Mallory Street revitalisation project. Enhanced with a hot foil printing effect, this set of stamps highlights the new uses of these buildings after revitalisation. Moreover, application of Augmented Reality (AR) technology to these stamp designs offers collectors a whole new philatelic experience. The borders of the stamp sheet are decorated with silhouettes of the featured buildings.</p>
16 May 2017	<p>5. Outdoor Fun</p> <p>This special stamp set applauds Hong Kong's eclectic charm and promotes the benefits of outdoor activities. Getting away from the hustle and bustle of urban life to immerse oneself in nature is a wonderful way to unwind. Based on the voting result of the "My Favourite Outdoor Recreational & Leisure Activities" voting exercise organised by Hongkong Post earlier, this set of stamps features six popular outdoor and leisure activities among locals, which are having picnics and barbecues, cycling, visiting heritage sites, beach fun, hiking and outdoor photography.</p>
13 Jun 2017	<p>6. 100 Years of Numbered Typhoon Signals</p> <p>Numbered typhoon signals used for indicating the direction and wind strength of tropical cyclones were introduced in Hong Kong in 1917. Following revisions over the decades, the system that is still in use today was adopted in 1973. Commemorating the 100th anniversary of the introduction of numbered typhoon signals in Hong Kong, a set of five stamps and a stamp sheetlet will be issued. Each stamp features a typhoon signal printed with Braille ink and the sheetlet narrates the evolution of the system over the past century.</p>
1 Jul 2017	<p>7. The 20th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region</p> <p>1 July 2017 celebrates the 20th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. To mark this milestone date, Hongkong Post will issue a set of commemorative stamps, the details of which will be announced later.</p>

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18 Jul 2017	<p>8. Children Stamps – The Five Senses</p> <p>We experience the world with our five senses. This set of five stamps presents the senses of hearing, sight, smell, taste and touch in a colourful way that is particularly appealing to curious young minds. Special printing effects are used to echo the stamp theme. In addition, motifs representing the five senses are featured on the borders of the stamp sheet. The stamp sheetlet also applies AR technology to enhance its appeal to children.</p>
17 Aug 2017	<p>9. Rare and Precious Plants in Hong Kong</p> <p>The bustling metropolis of Hong Kong also boasts a large area of countryside with a splendid variety of flora. This set of stamps portrays the beauty of four rare and precious plants in four seasons, namely, Small-flowered Holly, Two-coloured Bulbophyllum, Hong Kong Begonia and Lantau Star-anise. To help promote public awareness of nature conservation, the stamps are printed on Forest Stewardship Council (FSCTM) certified paper.</p>
19 Sep 2017	<p>10. Hong Kong Shopping Streets</p> <p>Lauded as a shopping paradise, Hong Kong is home to many thematic shopping streets that offer an astonishing range of merchandise. The “Hong Kong Shopping Streets” special stamp issue highlights the local flavours of six such shopping streets, namely Goldfish Market, Chinese Medicine Street, Jade Market, Kitchenware Street, Flower Market and Wholesale Fruit Market. Patterns of the featured merchandise embellish the borders of the stamp sheet for enhanced effect.</p>
17 Oct 2017	<p>11. Qipao</p> <p>Qipao is a traditional ladies’ costume which reflects the oriental charm and the beauty of the female figure. It first gained popularity in the 1920s and became the predominant daily wear for women in the 1950s and 1960s when qipao reached the height of its popularity. These special stamps illustrate the development of qipao and the fashion trend since the 1910s. To complement the theme, the \$20 stamp sheetlet is printed on special cloth-like stamp paper and embedded with a first-ever qipao-shaped stamp.</p>
14 Nov 2017	<p>12. Hong Kong Museums Collection – Bamboo Carvings</p> <p>Bamboo carving, an ancient art form in China, takes advantage of the natural shape of the material and employs a variety of carving techniques like low relief, high relief, openwork carving, carving in the round and <i>liuqing</i> low relief. This new stamp issue in the “Hong Kong Museums Collection” series presents six pieces of bamboo carving from the Hong Kong Museum of Art. They are fine examples of the bamboo carvers’ exquisite artisanship.</p>

Note: All images are for reference only. The actual issue date of each special stamp issue, its range of products and prices and the stamp designs are subject to change and will be announced closer to release.