

FACT SHEET

Special Stamp Issues: “Year of the Pig” on 12 January 2019 and “2019 Souvenir Cover”

I) “Year of the Pig” Special Stamp Issue

The special stamps on “Year of the Pig”, Heartwarming Stamps (2019 Version) “Year of the Pig” mini-panes, “Gold and Silver Stamp Sheetlet on Lunar New Year Animals – Dog / Pig” and “Silver Hot Foil Lunar New Year Animal Stamps – Monkey / Rooster / Dog / Pig” are designed by Mr. WONG Chun-hong. This set of special stamps and the Silk Stamp Sheetlet are printed in lithography. The \$10 Stamp Sheetlet is printed in lithography plus hot foil stamping, the mini-pane (local mail postage) is printed in lithography plus spot varnishing, whilst the mini-pane (air mail postage) is printed in lithography plus embossing with spot varnishing. The special stamps, the \$10 Stamp Sheetlet and the mini-panes are printed by Joh. Enschedé Stamps B.V. of the Netherlands, and the Silk Stamp Sheetlet is printed by Cartor Security Printing of France.

The “Gold and Silver Stamp Sheetlet on Lunar New Year Animals – Dog / Pig” is printed in lithography plus silver hot foil stamping and 22-carat gold-plated lace metal, whilst the “Silver Hot Foil Lunar New Year Animal Stamps – Monkey / Rooster / Dog / Pig” is printed in lithography plus embossing with hot foil stamping. Both are printed by Cartor Security Printing of France.

Sales Arrangements

Information about the sales arrangements is set out below: -

<i>Products</i>	<i>Unit Selling Price</i>	<i>Sales Period</i>	<i>Maximum Purchase Quantity Per Queuing Customer for the First Two Days of Issue</i>
<i>(A) Products Available at <u>all Post Offices</u></i>			
“Year of the Pig” Special Stamps			
First Day Cover	\$1.30	28 December 2018 to 11 April 2019	No restriction
Mint Stamps (a set of four designs of stamps)	\$15.60	12 January 2019 to 11 April 2019	5 sheets of each denomination (viz. 125 stamps of each denomination)
Stamp Sheetlet (containing a \$10 stamp)	\$10		10 sheets
Silk Stamp Sheetlet (containing a \$50 stamp)	\$50		10 sheets

Presentation Pack (containing a set of four stamps and a \$10 Stamp Sheetlet)	\$43		5 packs
“Gold and Silver Stamp Sheetlet on Lunar New Year Animals – Dog / Pig”			
Souvenir Cover	\$1.30	28 December 2018 to 11 April 2019	No restriction
Stamp Sheetlet (with a set of two \$50 stamps)	\$100	12 January 2019 to 11 April 2019	5 sheets
Presentation Pack (containing a Stamp Sheetlet of two \$50 stamps)	\$125		5 packs
“Silver Hot Foil Lunar New Year Animal Stamps – Monkey / Rooster / Dog / Pig”			
Souvenir Cover	\$1.30	28 December 2018 to 11 April 2019	No restriction
Mint Stamp Set (containing a set of four \$10 stamps)	\$40	12 January 2019 to 11 April 2019	20 sets of stamps
Mini-pane (containing four sets of mint stamps)	\$160		5 panes (i.e. 20 sets of stamps)
Presentation Pack (containing a set of four stamps)	\$57		5 packs

(B) Products Available at <u>Philatelic Offices</u> only			
“Year of the Pig” Special Stamps			
First Day Cover (Prestige Version)	\$8	28 December 2018 to 11 April 2019	No restriction
Postage Prepaid Lunar New Year Greeting Card (Air Mail) (containing a set of four cards)	\$46 / set	12 January 2019 to 11 April 2019	5 sets
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a set of four stamps and date-stamped with the special postmark	\$19.40		5 covers
Serviced First Day Cover (Prestige Version) affixed with a set of four stamps and date-stamped with the special postmark	\$26.10		5 covers
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a \$10 Stamp Sheetlet and date-stamped with the special	\$13.80		5 covers

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Serviced First Day Cover (Prestige Version) affixed with a \$10 Stamp Sheetlet and date-stamped with the special postmark	\$20.50		5 covers
Serviced First Day Cover affixed with a Silk Stamp Sheetlet and date-stamped with the special postmark	\$53.80		5 covers
Serviced First Day Cover (Prestige Version) affixed with a Silk Stamp Sheetlet and date-stamped with the special postmark	\$60.50		5 covers
“Gold and Silver Stamp Sheetlet on Lunar New Year Animals – Dog / Pig”			
Souvenir Cover (Prestige Version)	\$8	28 December 2018 to 11 April 2019	No restriction
Serviced Souvenir Cover affixed with a Stamp Sheetlet and date-stamped with the special postmark	\$103.8	12 January 2019 to 11 April 2019	5 covers
Serviced Souvenir Cover (Prestige Version) affixed with a Stamp Sheetlet and date-stamped with the special postmark	\$110.50		5 covers
“Silver Hot Foil Lunar New Year Animal Stamps – Monkey / Rooster / Dog / Pig”			
Souvenir Cover (Prestige Version)	\$8	28 December 2018 to 11 April 2019	No restriction
Serviced Souvenir Cover affixed with a set of four stamps and date-stamped with the special postmark	\$43.80	12 January 2019 to 11 April 2019	5 covers
Serviced Souvenir Cover (Prestige Version) affixed with a set of four stamps and date-stamped with the special postmark	\$50.50		5 covers
Heartwarming Stamps (2019 Version) “Year of the Pig” Mini-panes			
Mini-pane (Local Mail Postage) (containing 12 Heartwarming Stamps)	\$46	12 January 2019 to 11 April 2019	2 panes
Mini-pane (Air Mail Postage) (containing 12 Heartwarming Stamps)	\$85		2 panes

(C) Products Available at the General Post Office, Tsim Sha Tsui Post Office, Tsuen Wan Post Office, Sha Tin Central Post Office and Tuen Mun Central Post Office only

“Year of the Pig” Special Stamps			
Red Packets (A pack of 20 pieces with 4 designs)	\$18 / pack	From 12 January 2019, while stock lasts	5 packs

All products will also be available on Hongkong Post’s Online Shopping Mall “ShopThruPost” (shopthrupost.hongkongpost.hk).

Date-stamping Arrangements

A hand-back date-stamping service using the office steel date-stamp and the three special postmarks will be provided on **12 January 2019** at all post offices (except mobile post offices) for official/private-made covers bearing the first day of issue indication and a local address. All philatelic offices will also provide hand-back date-stamping service using the “Philatelic Bureau” pictorial postmark and the philatelic office pictorial postmark concurrently, but the GPO-1 date-stamp will only be available at the General Post Office.

Information about this special stamp issue and associated philatelic products is available on Hongkong Post’s website at www.hongkongpost.hk and from any post office, the Hongkong Post Mobile App and the Hongkong Post Philatelic Bureau hotline on 2785 5711.

II) 2019 Souvenir Cover

A newly designed “2019 Souvenir Cover” will be put on sale at **all philatelic offices**, as well as Hongkong Post’s Online Shopping Mall “ShopThruPost” from 28 December 2018 to 31 December 2019.

Sales Arrangements

Information about the sales arrangements is set out below: -

<i>Product</i>	<i>Unit Selling Price</i>	<i>Sales Period</i>	<i>Maximum Purchase Quantity Per Queuing Customer for the First Two Days of Issue</i>
2019 Souvenir Cover (Available in 3 sizes. Small size: 220mm x 110mm Medium size: 229mm x 162mm Large size: 265mm x 190mm)	\$1.30	28 December 2018 to 31 December 2019	No restriction