



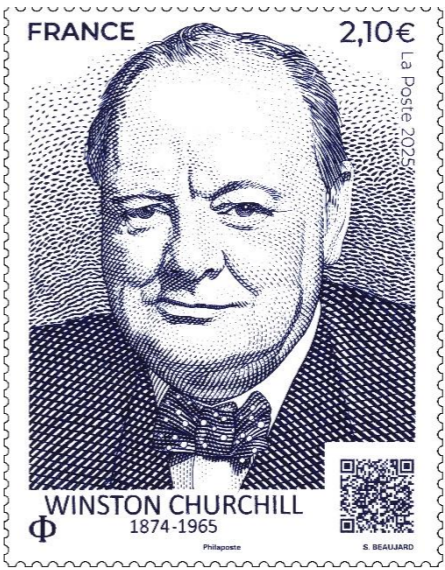

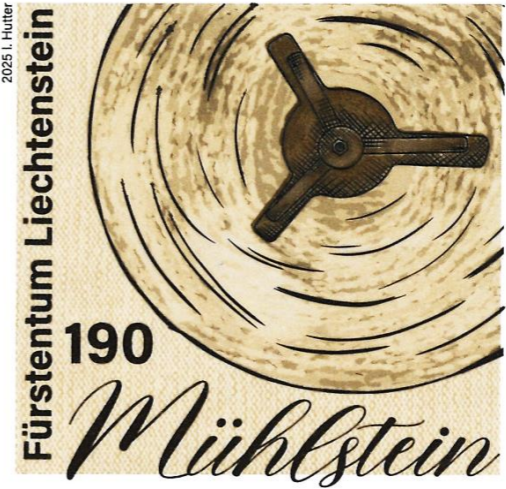





No	Country	Link to Postal Authority Website	Name	Description	Image	Stamp Name and Link to High Resolution Image
1	Austria	Philately news 2025 - PostAG	Koralmbahn	<p>The Koralmbahn Railway forms part of the Baltic-Adriatic Corridor, a major trans-European axis that links economic regions and transport routes across the continent. This project is not only of supranational significance – it is also set to revitalise the economy in the south-eastern region of Austria. Until now, the fastest rail connection between the provincial capitals of Graz and Klagenfurt took around three hours. With the Koralmbahn Railway, designed for speeds of up to 250 km/h, this travel time will be reduced to approximately 45 minutes. Construction of the Koralmbahn Railway began in 1998. The full route spans 130 kilometres and includes numerous bridges, underpasses and tunnels. Its centrepiece is the 33-kilometre Koralmbahn Tunnel, featuring two single-track tubes and ranking among the longest railway tunnels in the world. Passenger services on the full line are scheduled to begin at the end of 2025. The stamp depicts a visualisation of the Koralmbahn Tunnel with an ÖBB Railjet locomotive of the 1116 series.</p>		Koralmbahn
2	China	http://english.chinapost.com.cn/	Yi-Si Year : The Snake Brings Harvest and Abundance	<p>Perforation Gauge: 13 Printing Method: Combination Offset and Intaglio Printing Security features: Security Paper, Security Ink, Irregular Perforations, Fluorescent Coding Designers: Pan Hu, Zhang Wang Printer: Beijing Stamp Printing House Co., Ltd. Inspired by the Dunhuang Murals and traditional folk motifs, this stamp skillfully blends the serpent's image with auspicious symbolism. It captures the dynamic form of the coiled serpent in Chinese traditional culture, complemented by festive ornaments that evoke the celebratory mood of the Lunar New Year. The stamp not only displays the unique appeal of the Chinese zodiac culture but also embodies the simple yet vivid wisdom of folk art. In the design, the golden serpent coils gracefully, clasping a sheaf of "auspicious grain" in its mouth—a symbol of the wish for "full granaries and ample clothing." Its radiant golden body and the lustrous ears of wheat shine in harmony, composing a picture of a brilliant, bountiful harvest. This imagery conveys the blessings of favorable weather, abundant crops, and a prosperous, peaceful nation. For the intaglio printing, a high-precision laser engraving system was employed to achieve a precise, non-destructive transfer of the hand-drawn line patterns. Specially formulated brown engraving ink and a high-gloss specialty yellow ink were developed and applied, giving the serpent's body, scales, and decorative elements a vivid, three-dimensional fullness. The security paper incorporates "two-color reversible fluorescent fibers" and "multicolored composite fluorescent fibers," which serve both anti-counterfeiting and aesthetic purposes.</p>		Yi-Si Year : The Snake Brings Harvest and Abundance

3	Czech Republic	https://www.ceska-posta.cz/en	Works of Art on Postage Stamps: Vyšehrad Madonna	<p>The stamp features the Gothic painting of the Vyšehrad Madonna with simple typography. The rich history of the chosen motif offered many other historical and contemporary elements associated with the painting, which the designer incorporated into the sheet design, first day cover, and first day cancellation. The first day cover prominently displays the gold embossed cover of the painting, which protected part of the artwork for several centuries while also concealing it in a way that highlighted the figures of the Virgin Mary and the Christ Child. The cover depicts the heraldic symbols of the Czech kings and the papal keys in a checkerboard arrangement. Three selected symbols, along with an ornament from the altar on which the painting is housed in the Vyšehrad church, were used by the designer as separate elements of the sheet.</p>		<p><u>Works of Art on Postage Stamps: Vyšehrad Madonna</u></p>
4	Faroe Islands	https://www.stamps.fo/	Columnar Basalt in the Faroe Islands	<p>This intaglio-printed stamp portrays the striking columnar basalt formations of Stabbaogrót in the Faroe Islands. These dramatic rock columns were formed around 60 million years ago, when cooling lava contracted and cracked into mostly hexagonal pillars. Shaped by powerful volcanic activity during the opening of the North Atlantic, the formations stand today as monumental reminders of the eruptions that created the islands. The design captures the sweeping coastal cliffs and the rhythmic vertical columns rising from the sea, reflecting both the geological precision and natural beauty of the site. Printed in fine engraved detail, the stamp features earthy browns and warm ochres to highlight the basalt, soft greens across the grassy clifftops, and cool blues in the sea and sky. The delicate shading and crisp line work characteristic of intaglio printing enhance the texture and depth of the scene, giving the cliffs a strong sense of structure and dimension.</p>		<p><u>Columnar Basalt in the Faroe Islands</u></p>
5	France	www.laposte.fr	Winston Churchill 1874–1965	<p>On 20 October 2025, La Poste issued the world’s first “talking” stamp. Equipped with artificial intelligence, this stamp will allow users to ask questions about Winston Churchill, regarded as one of the greatest statesmen of the twentieth century, to mark the sixtieth anniversary of his death. Philaposte and Ask Mona present a world-first innovation: the first stamp equipped with conversational artificial intelligence. Featuring the likeness of Winston Churchill, this unique stamp includes a QR Code you can scan with your phone, providing access to an artificial intelligence programme that offers information about Winston Churchill’s life. Thanks to cutting-edge technologies (real-time conversational AI and data security), users can ask questions and obtain specific answers derived exclusively from biographical data validated by the French chapter of the ICS. Accessible to everyone with a simple scan of the QR code, this stamp combines tradition and technological innovation to bring history</p>		<p><u>Winston Churchill 1874 - 1965</u></p>

				to life. Credits: Design and engraving by Sophie Beaujard, after a photograph © Yousuf Karsh Camera Press		
6	Jordan	https://jordanpost.com.jo/en/home	Jordan Saints	Jordan holds a distinguished religious and spiritual significance, as its blessed land is associated with a number of saints whose legacy remains evident in the sacred sites spread across the Kingdom. In recognition of this heritage, Jordan Post issued a commemorative stamp titled “Saints of Jordan” to highlight the Kingdom’s Christian legacy and to promote cultural and religious awareness as an integral part of Jordan’s identity.		Jordan Saints
7	Liechtenstein	https://post.li/	Cultural Heritage - Millstone	The mill of the municipality Eschen is one of the most interesting and historically valuable buildings in Eschen. It dates back to 1778 and originally served as a wine press. At the beginning of the 20th century, when local viticulture lost its importance due to diseases on the vines and the import of foreign wines, a millers' cooperative bought the building and converted it into an electrically operated mill in 1912. The mill is still in operation. The “Millstone” motif (face value CHF 1.90) is a reminder of the historical significance of the mill. The stamp has a very precise steel engraving, which creates detailed lines in the stamp. The engraving combined with the stamp's design makes it seem like the millstone is in motion and actively running, which adds a unique feature to the stamp issue.		Cultural Heritage - Millstone

8	Macao	https://www.ctt.gov.mo/macau-post/Default.aspx?lang=english	Rare Animals in China	<p>The stamp of the souvenir sheet shows a solitary black-faced spoonbill standing amid tranquil marsh grasses. Its clean white plumage and distinct layering bring it vividly to life. In the background, a colony of spoonbills perches upon rocky islets, sharing space with pale blue waters, manifesting an enduring tableau of nature's resilience. The souvenir sheet is produced using offset printing combined with engraving techniques, delicately capturing both form and essence in an elegant, harmonious palette, endowing it with both artistic merit and philatelic appeal.</p>		<p><u>Rare Animals in China</u></p>
9	Norway	https://www.posten.no/en/stamps-collecting	Emigration To North America Bicentenary	<p>The stamp shows the first Norwegian emigration ship "Restauration" leaving Norway with the 52 first Norwegian emigrants to America on 4 July 1825.</p>		<p><u>Emigration To North America Bicentenary</u></p>
10	Spain	www.correos.es	Castles - Castle of Sotomayor and Zúñiga. Belalcázar (Córdoba)	<p>The Castle in Belalcázar in the Province of Córdoba, is located on an artificial promontory, 500 m above sealevel. The promontory is the result of settlements of numerous preceding cultures, like Iberians, Romans, Visigoths, and Arabs. The castle rises above Roman ruins and the 25.000 m2 Arab fortification of Gafiq, whose walled perimeter dating from the 9th to 13th centuries is still visible. Construction of the castle started around 1450 and was finished in 1483.</p>		<p><u>Castles-Castle of Sotomayor and Zúñiga. Belalcázar (Córdoba)</u></p>

