

For Immediate Release

**Mouth-Watering Delicacies of Singapore and Macao
on Joint Stamp Issue**

Date of Issue: 4 July 2008



Precancelled First Day Cover with Complete Set of Stamps



Precancelled First Day Cover with Miniature Sheet

Singapore, 1 July 2008 – Singapore Post Limited (SingPost) and Macao Post are issuing a joint stamp release for the first time on 4 July 2008, which will feature popular local dishes of Singapore and Macao. This is also the first major collaboration between SingPost and Macao Post.

Singapore is famous for its delightful-tasting multicultural fare, while Macao has its fine selections of savouries of Chinese and Portuguese origins. Their cuisines reflect the rich cultures and histories of both places. Now, Singapore and Macao are collaborating in a philatelic creation dedicated to these mouth-watering treats, and to mark the growing interest and appreciation of each other's culture and history. The stamp issue's launch on 4 July is also in conjunction with Singapore Food Festival 2008, which is kicking off on the same day.

The stamps come in 1st Local (26 cents) and 65 cents in Singapore currency, and 1.50 and 3.50 Patacas in Macanese currency. They are presented in two blocks of four stamps each, with each one depicting a famous dish of either Singapore or Macao. Each set of four stamps form an Oriental-designed plate when placed together.

The famous Macanese fare on the 1st Local stamps feature the crispy fried chicken, Yangzhou fried rice, Carne de Porco à Alentejana (meat stew) and grilled codfish slices. On the 65-cent stamps are some 'must-try' dishes of Singapore, namely the Hainanese chicken rice, laksa, roti prata and satay.

A miniature sheet is also available, showing Macao's clay pot rice and Singapore's chilli crab on a pair of \$2 stamps, which are among the best-known signature dishes of both places respectively.

All first day covers will be cancelled with a unique 'Local Delights' postmark. Among the stamp products of this collection are the set of pre-cancelled commemorative covers affixed with Singapore and Macao stamps. All the stamp products will go on sale from 4 Jul 08 at all post offices as well as the Singapore Philatelic Museum. They can also be ordered at SingPost's online shopping portal *vPost*, <http://shop.vpost.com.sg>.

This is the 13th joint stamp issue launched by SingPost with a foreign postal administration. The more recent ones include the series on traditional wedding costumes with Korea Post in March 2007 and another on iconic landmarks with the Holy See in October 2006.

Information and enquiries

For more information on this new stamp issue, please call the Singapore Philatelic Bureau at telephone numbers 1800 741 4111 (toll-free within Singapore) or 6845 6756 during office hours or visit <http://www.singpost.com> or email us at sinstamp@singpost.com

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About Singapore Post Limited

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## **ANNEX**

### **FACT SHEET**

#### **Items on Sale**

| <u>Items</u>                                        | <u>Price</u> |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| First Day Cover (without stamps)                    | S\$0.25      |
| Complete set of stamps (1 <sup>st</sup> Local, 65¢) | S\$3.64      |
| Miniature Sheet (comprising two \$2 stamps)         | S\$4.00      |
| Pre-cancelled First Day Cover with stamps           | S\$4.55      |
| Pre-cancelled First Day Cover with miniature sheet  | S\$4.90      |
| Presentation Pack                                   | S\$9.80      |
| A set of 2 Pre-cancelled Commemorative Covers       | S\$9.00      |

#### **Technical Details**

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| Date of Issue        | : | 4 July 2008                                                                                        |
| Denominations        | : | 1 <sup>st</sup> Local and 65 cents (each value x 4 designs),<br>\$2 (2 designs on Miniature Sheet) |
| Stamp size           | : | 40mm x 30mm                                                                                        |
| Miniature Sheet size | : | 140mm x 90mm                                                                                       |
| Collectors' sheet    | : | 105mm x 65mm (\$5 & \$10)                                                                          |
| Perforation          | : | 13 ¼ x 14                                                                                          |
| Paper                | : | Unwatermarked                                                                                      |
| Printing Process     | : | Fine Screen Offset-litho with Spot UV                                                              |
| Printer              | : | Joh Enschede Security Printers                                                                     |
| Sheet Content        | : | 16 stamps per sheet                                                                                |
| Designer             | : | Thomas Au Man Hou and Carlos Goncalves                                                             |