



Marshall Islands
Chain of islands in western
Pacific. 2,500 miles south of Japan.
One of the Federated States
of the United States.

Norfolk Island – Single stamp on souvenir sheet.



China – Two pairs on souvenir sheet



United States – Sheetlet and first day cover for the tiger.



TIGER

“Perfins”- In 1858, Joseph Sloper in England received a patent for the invention of a perforating device used on documents as a security measure. His device was used to create **perforated initials** on stamps [the origin of "perfins"]. Perfins played an important part from the 1870s in supporting commerce by protecting and promoting private companies until private postage meter machines in the 1970s reduced the need for large postage stamp stocks on hand. Today, perfins are used primarily as advertising.

This cover shows the initials PCNZA of the Perfin Club of New Zealand and Australia.



Taiwan – Single stamp on souvenir sheet and two singles.





Hong Kong – Embossed gold used on se-tenant souvenir sheet.



Ritual passing of the teacup from child to grandparent to show respect and ushers in the Chinese New Year.

Christmas Island - A mini sheet, almost the correct size, for a package mailed from Tasmania. Additional postage needed on the left side.



虎年 YEAR OF THE TIGER 2010



老虎抓住一隻狐狸。狐狸掙扎說自己是奉天帝命令來管理百獸的，傷害不得。狐狸要老虎隨行在後，測試百獸怕牠與否。結果，百獸慌忙逃跑。老虎以為百獸真的怕狐狸，其實是怕自己罷了！

While hunting for prey, the tiger caught a fox. "You can't eat me!" said the fox. "The Emperor of Heaven appointed me king of the beasts. Follow me - you'll see the other animals run away at the sight of me." The tiger followed him and was impressed to see all the beasts fleeing - afraid not of the fox but of the tiger!



虎年 YEAR OF THE TIGER 2010

十二生肖的最佳配對。Compatibility of the zodiac animals.



CELEBRATING LUNAR NEW YEAR: YEAR OF THE TIGER

El Pueblo Historical Monument
The Kiosko at 125 Paseo de la Plaza
Los Angeles, CA 90012
January 14, 2010

Welcome

Master of Ceremonies

Marie Therese Dominguez
Vice President, Government Relations
and Public Policy
United States Postal Service

Presentation of Colors

National Anthem

**Introduction of
Special Guests**

Remarks

Marie Therese Dominguez

Jose Hutzar
Councilmember, Council District 14
City of Los Angeles, CA
Robert L. Andrade
General Manager
El Pueblo Historical Monument

Entertainment

Dedication

Susan LaChance
Vice President,
Employee Development and Diversity
United States Postal Service

Marie Therese Dominguez
Professor Don T. Nakanishi, Ph.D.
Director, Asian American Studies
Center, UCLA

Eduardo H. Ruiz
District Manager, Los Angeles District
United States Postal Service
Mark H. Anderson
Postmaster, Los Angeles, CA
United States Postal Service

In 2010, the U.S. Postal Service continues its Celebrating Lunar New Year series with the Year of the Tiger stamp. The Year 4708 — begins on Chinese Lunar New Year and ends in 2011 on February 14, 2010. Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, and Mongolian celebrate the Lunar New Year, marking the beginning of the new year and the end of winter. Traditions include family reunions, ancestor worship, and parades that draw crowds of onlookers to applaud elaborate performances featuring dragon and lion dances. Celebrations are held to welcome the Lunar New Year and to keep evil spirits away. People born in the year of a particular animal are said to share characteristics with that animal. Individuals born during the year of the Tiger are thought to be courageous and to possess hidden reserves of strength. They are also thought of as cats. Born in the Year of the Tiger include Marilyn Monroe and famous Americans Emily Dickinson and Steve Jobs.

Art director Ethel Kessler collaborated on the new series with up in New York City's Chinatown and to focus on the common ways of the Tiger. In 2010, the Year of the Tiger, they chose the auspicious flower, the symbolically linked and delicate flower of the Year. A fragrant and good fortune, especially so if it blooms on the first day of the Lunar New Year.



**CELEBRATING LUNAR NEW YEAR
YEAR OF THE TIGER**
First Day of Issue Ceremony
Thursday, January 14, 2010
125 Paseo de la Plaza
El Pueblo Historical Monument
Los Angeles, California



United States – Program from first day of issue ceremony for the Year of the Tiger.

Christmat Island – Se-tenant in gutter strip with animals in the strip.
Lithography with foil application.

Christmas Island – Se-tenant on souvenir sheet.



TIGER



South Africa – Single stamp on souvenir sheet.



Hong Kong – Se-tenant stamps. The higher denominated stamp used on a air mail letter to the United States.

Flat G 31sf F1
Fullview Court
32 Fortress Hill Rd
North Point
HONG KONG



EARL NETWAL
5344 36th Ave. S.,
Minneapolis
MN 55417
USA



Lovely Canadian new year stamps along with other nice stamps used for mailing a package



TIGER

United States -- Year of the Tiger notecard and stamped envelope.



年 YEAR OF THE TIGER

YEAR OF THE RABBIT



IS YOUR CHINESE ASTROLOGICAL ANIMAL A RABBIT?

Is your date of birth in this list?

Feb 2, 1927 – Jan 22, 1928

Feb 19, 1939 – Feb 7, 1940

Feb 6, 1951 – Jan 26, 1952

Jan 25, 1963 – Feb 12, 1964

Feb 11, 1975 – Jan 30, 1976

Rabbit: Intelligent, well-mannered, witty, discreet, diplomatic, calm, sensitive, peace-loving, dislikes risk and change.

2011



Canada - A single stamp on an oval souvenir sheet.



Hong Kong – Se-ttenant of four stamps on a souvenir sheet.
The highest denominated stamp on a souvenir sheet.



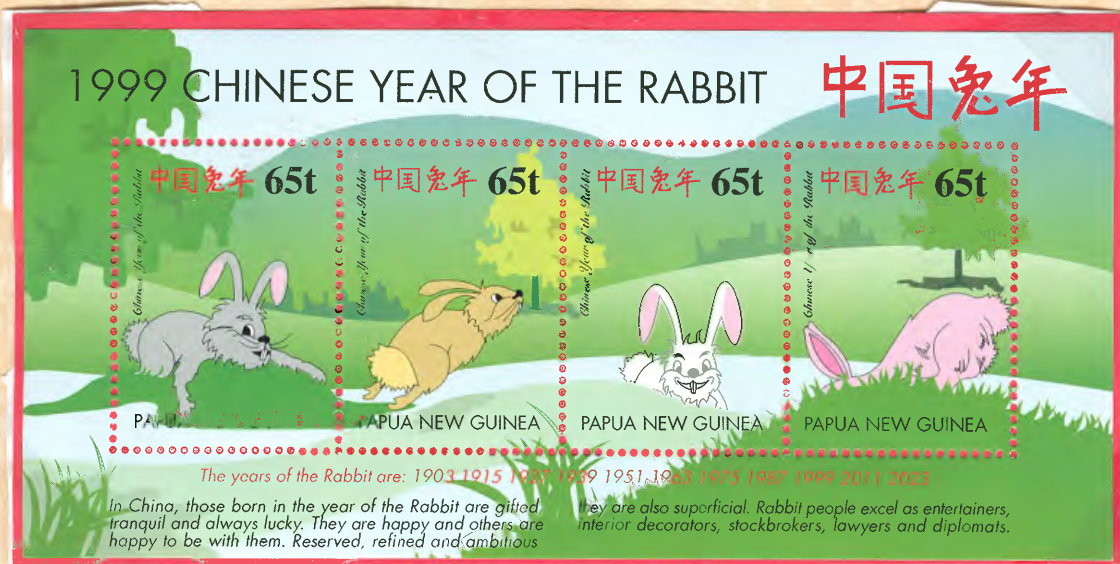
Jersey – Single stamp on souvenir sheet.



Christmas Island – Se-tenant on souvenir sheet. Lithography with silver foil application.



Papua New Guinea – Four animal stamps on souvenir sheet.



Norfolk Island – Photographed animals
On souvenir sheet,



Taiwan – Single stamp on souvenir sheet.



Canada – Embossed stamp on bookmark



Canada – Souvenir sheet using the rabbit stamp from 2011 and the dragon stamp from 2012

Christmas Island - Sheetlet with se-tenant on souvenir sheet.
Twelve zodiac animals on stamps of lower denominations.

兔年 YEAR OF THE RABBIT 2011



三位仙人裝扮成乞丐向兔子討吃。兔子無奈身無長物，決意獻上自己，「一躍」跳入火海之中。仙人被兔子捨身成仁的舉動深深打動，將之安置於月亮宮殿中生活；從此，兔子就成為家傳戶曉的玉兔。

Three immortals in the guise of beggars sought food from a rabbit. Having nothing to give, the rabbit offered himself by jumping into a blazing fire. Touched by this sacrifice, the immortals let him live in the Moon Palace where he became known as the Jade Rabbit.



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兔年 YEAR OF THE RABBIT 2011

十二生肖與十二星座有平譯而合之處 -
The alignment between eastern and western zodiac signs.

<p>RAT ~ SAGITTARIUS AUSTRALIA 2011 CHRISTMAS ISLAND 15c</p>	<p>Ox ~ CAPRICORN AUSTRALIA 2011 CHRISTMAS ISLAND 15c</p>	<p>TIGER ~ AQUARIUS AUSTRALIA 2011 CHRISTMAS ISLAND 20c</p>	<p>RABBIT ~ PISCES AUSTRALIA 2011 CHRISTMAS ISLAND 20c</p>	<p>DRAGON ~ ARIES AUSTRALIA 2011 CHRISTMAS ISLAND 15c</p>	<p>SNAKE ~ TAURUS AUSTRALIA 2011 CHRISTMAS ISLAND 15c</p>
<p>HORSE ~ GEMINI AUSTRALIA 2011 CHRISTMAS ISLAND 20c</p>	<p>GOAT ~ CANCER AUSTRALIA 2011 CHRISTMAS ISLAND 25c</p>	<p>MONKEY ~ LEO AUSTRALIA 2011 CHRISTMAS ISLAND 25c</p>	<p>ROOSTER ~ VIRGO AUSTRALIA 2011 CHRISTMAS ISLAND 25c</p>	<p>DOG ~ LIBRA AUSTRALIA 2011 CHRISTMAS ISLAND 25c</p>	<p>PIG ~ SCORPIO AUSTRALIA 2011 CHRISTMAS ISLAND 20c</p>



IS YOUR CHINESE ASTROLOGICAL ANIMAL A DRAGON?

Is your date of birth in this list?

Jan 23, 1928 – Feb 9, 1929

Feb 8, 1940 – Jan 26, 1941

Jan 27, 1952 – Feb 13, 1953

Feb 13, 1964 – Feb 1, 1965

Jan 31, 1976 – Feb 17, 1977

Feb 17, 1988 – Feb 5, 1989

Feb 5, 2000 – Jan 23, 2001

Dragon: Proud, lively, self-confident, ambitious, perfectionist, outgoing, energetic, impatient, independent.

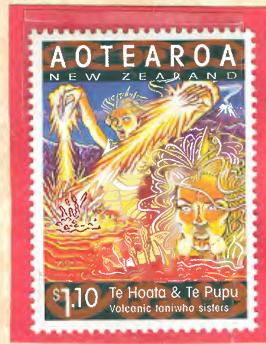
2012



Tonga – A group of islands in the South Pacific Ocean south of Samoa.

Lithography with foil application.

DRAGON



New Zealand – Five single stamps, two of which are repeated on souvenir sheet. Lithography.



Hong Kong – Two se-tenants on a souvenir sheet.



The Dragon leads the parade.



Taiwan – Single stamp on souvenir sheet and single stamp.



United States sheetlet.

