CHAPTER TWENTY-TWO

2020 NATIONAL DEFINITIVE ISSUE.

Note: All illustrations in this chapter are reduced by 10% unless otherwise stated.

18 June 2020.

2020 National Definitive Issue - Iconic Marine Life.



This series of five new values was a late addition to the programme in its 28 February version, with a "TBA" issue date. It was then scheduled for 31 March, but COVID-19 intervened, and then rescheduled for 18 June. It added intermediate values between the RM1.15 of the 2017 Definitive Issue and the \$2 of the earlier series.

Designed by Reign Associates, this issue comprised five counter sheets a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

The 28mm x 32mm counter sheet stamps showed:

RM1.30: Hawksbill Turtle (Penyu Karah, Eretmochelys imbricata);

RM1.40: Indo-Pacific Humpback Dolphin (Lumba-Lumba Putih; Sousa chinensis);

RM1.50: Whale Shark (Yu Paus, Rhincodon typus);

RM1.70: Small Giant Clam (Kima Besar, Tridacna maxima);

RM1.90: Dugong (Dugong, Dugong dugon).

The stamps include "2020". If printed in definitive counter sheets of 100, it is expected that the date will be omitted, so please keep your eyes open!

They were printed in sheets of 10 (5 x 2)) by Southern Colour Print using standard four-colour offset lithography. Sheet markings included issue title in illustrated top margin, pane number (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R2/5, colour dots (x4) to right of R1/5 and left of R2/1), Pos emblem below R2/3. The unwatermarked, phosphor-coated, 102gsm Tullis Russell TR8 OBA-free, PVA-gummed stamp paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The comb perforations measured 13.6 x 13.2.

Process sheet:

To make pre-serviced first day covers, a process sheet with five se-tenant strips of five (130-140-150-170-190) was used. There were no sheet markings and all margins were perforated through. Sheets were released, to SODA account holders only, on 8 April 2022.

Miniature sheet:

A 90mm x 80mm miniature sheet was sold at RM5 (originally announced as RM8) in the shape of a young Hawksbill Turtle emerging from an egg. It contained a circular RM5 stamp showing an adult Hawksbill Turtle, perforated about 13.5.

First day facilities:

There was no presentation pack.

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured Seaweed. The special first day postmark included a Hawksbill

Turtle.

The folder was sold at RM6.



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No.	S.G.	I.S.C.	Value	Wmk.	Perf.	Printing	Mint	Used
20D.1.1	-	-	RM1.30	None	13.6 x 13.2	Initial		
20D.1.2	-	-	RM1.40	None	13.6 x 13.2	Initial		
20D.1.3	-	-	RM1.50	None	13.6 x 13.2	Initial		

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No.	S.G.	I.S.C.	Value	Wmk.	Perf.	Printing	Mint	Used
20D.1.4	-	-	RM1.70	None	13.6 x 13.2	Initial		
20D.1.5	-	-	RM1.90	None	13.6 x 13.2	Initial		
20D.1.6	-	-	Se-tenant strip (1-5).					
20D.1.7	-	-	Miniature sheet.					
20D.1.8	-	-	First day cover (6).					
20D.1.9	-	-	- (7).				-	

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