CHAPTER FIFTY-FIVE

2013 SPECIAL ISSUES

Note: All illustrations in this chapter are reduced by 10% (50% for sheetlets and stationery), unless otherwise stated.

13 January 2013.







Originally scheduled for 22 October 2012, this issue was postponed to 13 January 2013, then 20 January, finally reverting to 13 January.

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

Counter sheet:

The 30mm x 40mm counter sheet stamps showed:

60s.: Banded Woodpecker (Belatuk Merah, Picus miniaceus);

80s.: Common Flameback Woodpecker (Belatuk Pinang Muda, Dinopium javanense);

RM1: Lesser Yellownape Woodpecker (Belatuk Kecil Tengkuk, Picus chlorophus).

They were printed in sheets of 20(5 x 4) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were 1A (x4) to the left of R1/1 and right of R4/5, colour dots (x4) to right of R1/5 and left of R4/1, issue title, large bird illustration and Pos emblem in broad right margin. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM upright. The comb perforations measured 13.4 x 13.6. The left, top and bottom margins were perforated through; the right margins was imperforate.

Miniature Sheet:

The 109mm x 70mm miniature sheet showed the White-bellied Woodpecker (Belatuk Gajah, *Dryocopus javensis*). It incorporated a 64mm x 48mm RM5 stamp in which the birds were embossed to emphasise their feathers. The paper had watermark sideways reading down. The perforation was 13.8.



First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured the Buff-rumped Woodpecker (Belatuk Awan, *Meigyptes tristis*). The special first day postmark included a woodpecker. The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.1.1	1933	1570	60s.		
13.1.2	1934	1571	80s.		
13.1.3	1935	1572	RM1		
13.1.4	MS1936	MC-459M	RM5 miniature sheet.		
13.1.5	-	MFDC-459	First day cover (1-3).		
13.1.6	-	MFDC-459M	- (4).	-	

Woodpeckers.

Exotic Pets (Year of the Snake).

5 February 2013.



In Malaysia, exotic pets require a licence or permit. To mark the Lunar New Year, this issue carries a snake emblem in the shape of "2013" and the miniature sheet shows a snake.

Designed by Reign Associates, this issue comprised three counter sheets and two miniature sheets.

Counter sheets:

The 30mm x 40mm counter sheet stamps showed:

60s.: African Pygmy Hedgehog (Atelerix albiventris crossed with Atelerix algirus);

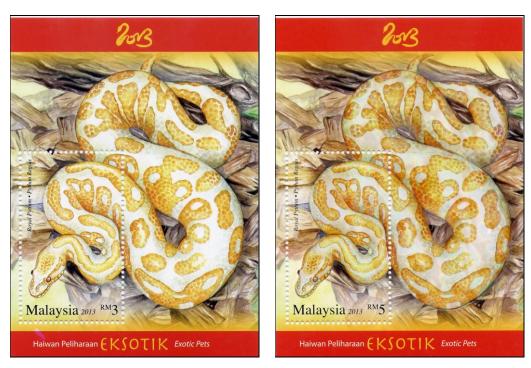
80s.: Green Iguana (Iguana iguana);

RM1: Sugar Glider (Petaurus breviceps).

The 60s. design was originally intended to be the 60s. and *vice-versa*, as demonstrated by the publicity poster used on the Pos Malaysia website. They were printed in sheets of 20(two panes 5 x 2 with horizontal gutter) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were issue title in gutter, stamp subject above R1/2-4, Pos emblem below R4/3, 1A (x4) to the right of R1/5 and left of R4/1, colour dots (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R4/5. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM upright. The comb perforations measured 13.4 x 13.6. The 60s. has been reported perforated 12.1.¹ The top and bottom margins were imperforate and the side margins were perforated through.

Miniature sheets:

Two 72mm x 100mm miniature sheets were issued, both showing the Royal Python (Python regius) and containing a 30mm x 50mm stamp. The RM5 sheet had the same design as the RM3 but it had a holographic overprint. The paper and perforation were as the for counter sheets.



First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured budgerigars (*Melopsittacus undulatus*). The special first day postmark included the Snake 2013 emblem. The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.2.1	1937	1573	60s. P.13.4 x 13.6.		
13.2.1a	-	-	- P.12.1.		
13.2.2	1938	1574	80s. P.13.4 x 13.6.		
13.2.3	1939	1575	RM1 P.13.4 x 13.6.		
13.2.4	MS1940	MC-460M ²	RM3 miniature sheet.		
13.2.5	MS1941	-	RM5 miniature sheet.		
13.2.6	-	MFDC-460	First day cover (1-3).		

26 March 2013.





The designs of this instalment in the "One Malaysia" campaign were intended to highlight "the spirit of community, compassion, cooperation and consideration". This was a late addition to the programme.

Designed by Hazel Design, this issue comprised two counter sheets with se-tenant pairs of stamps.

Counter sheets:

The 35mm square counter sheet stamps showed racially-mixed groups of three people:

- 60s.(A): "Spirit of Cooperation": Students sharing a laptop computer;
- 60s.(B): "Spirit of Community": shoppers in street scene with elevated railway train.
- 60s.(C): "Spirit of Compassion": children helping carry shopping with the Petronas Twin Towers in the background;
- 60s.(D): "Spirit of Consideration": Helping a blind man cross a road with the Putrajaya Landmark in the background.

They were printed in sheets of 20 (4 x 5) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were 1A (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R5/4, colour dots (x4) to right of R1/4 and left of R5/1, Pos emblem in centre of bottom margin. The broad bottom margin also featured the issue title and a line-up of people in ethnic costumes with the background buildings from the stamps. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM sideways reading up. The comb perforations measured 13.25. The top margin was perforated through and the rest imperforate.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured a line-up of people in ethnic costumes with the background buildings from the stamps.

The special first day postmark included people with heart-shaped bodies. The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Μ	lint	Used
13.3.1	1944	1576	60s.(A).	[
13.3.2	1945	1577	60s.(B).	[
13.3.3	1944a	-	Se-tenant pair (1-2).	[
13.3.4	1942	1578	60s.(C).	[
13.3.5	1943	1579	60s.(D).	[
13.3.6	1942a	-	Se-tenant pair (4-5).	[
13.3.7	-	MFDC-462	First day cover (3, 6).	Ι		

30 April 2013.



Historic Buildings - Lighthouses (II).



This was a late addition to the programme and shows a further four of Peninsular Malaysia's 11 lighthouses. Designed by the Marine Department of Malaysia (Jabatan Laut Malaysia), this issue comprised three counter sheets.

National Unity.

Counter sheets:

The 48mm x 30mm counter sheet stamps showed:

50s.: Pulau Rimau lighthouse (built 1885), Penang;

60s.(A): Pulau Angsa (1887), Selangor;

60s.(B): Fort Cornwallis lighthouse (1914), Penang.

They were printed in sheets of 20 (4 x 5) by Chan Wanich Security Printing Co. Ltd. (Thailand) using standard fourcolour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were issue title in top margin, 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 4, colour dots to left and right of R1 and R4, Pos emblem below R4/2-3. The unwatermarked, phosphor-coated, granite paper gave a faint greenish-white fluorescent reaction without after-glow under ultra-violet light. The comb perforations measured 13.4 x 13.3. The side margins were perforated through; top and bottom were imperforate.

Miniature sheet:

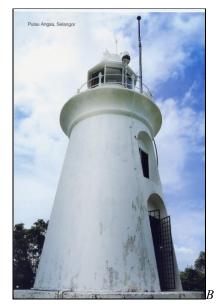
The 110mm x 80mm miniature sheet included at 30mm x 48mm RM5 stamp showing One Fathom Bank lighthouse (1998), Selangor, at sunset. It was printed on the same paper, but the dark colours prevented any visible UV reaction. The text, the lighthouse beam and outline were overprinted with fluorescent yellow-green phosphor. The perforation measured 13.4 x 13.3.



Postcards:

A set of four 101mm x 152mm unstamped postcards was sold for RM4, or RM10.70 serviced as maximum cards. They showed the same lighthouses: (A) Pulau Rimau; (B) Pulau Angsa; (C) Fort Cornwallis; (D) One Fathom Bank. They were sold in a matching card slipcase.

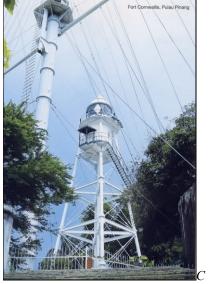




First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured One Fathom Bank. The special first day postmark included a stylised lighthouse.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.





No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.4.1	1946	-	50s.		
13.4.2	1947	-	60s.(A).		
13.4.3	1948	-	60s.(B).		
13.4.4	MS1949	-	RM5 miniature sheet.		
13.4.5	-	-	First day cover (1-3).		
13.4.6	-	-	- (4).	-	
13.4.7	-	-	Postcard A.		
13.4.8	-	-	Postcard B.		
13.4.9	-	-	Postcard C.		
13.4.10	-	-	Postcard D.		

Miniature sheet Australia 2013 (10 May 2013):

The Australia 2013 stamp exhibition took place at the Royal Exhibition Building, Carlton Garden, Melbourne from 10-15 May and marked the centenary of the "Roo" stamp issue, Australia's first Commonwealth issue. The miniature sheet was reprinted with the event emblem. Technical details were as for the normal miniature sheet.



Wonders of Malaysian Forests.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.5.1	MS1950	-	RM5 miniature sheet.		

13 May 2013.

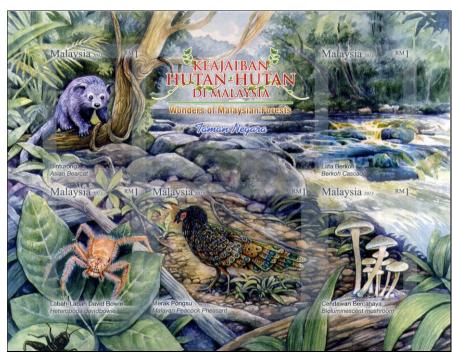
Originally planned for 13 March, this issue was postposed to 13 June, then pulled ahead to 30 May and then 13 May.

Designed by World Communications Network Resources (M) Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three miniature sheets.

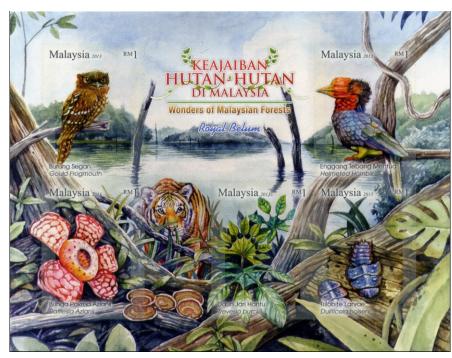
Miniature sheets:

Each of the three RM5 self-adhesive miniature sheets showed a forest scene with five plants, creatures or landmark picked out by die-cutting as 30mm x 40mm (D, L: 50mm x 40mm) RM1 stamps:

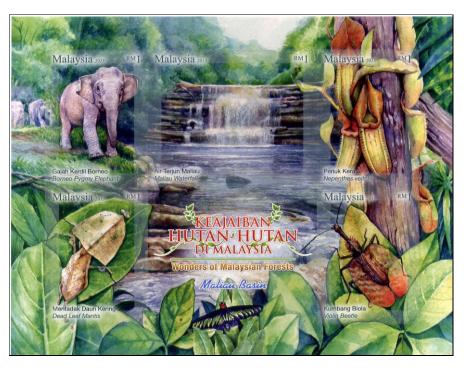
Sheet A – Taman Negara National Park: RM1(A): Asian Bearcat (Binturong, Arctictis *binturong*); RM1(B): Berkoh Cascade; RM1(C): David Bowie Spider (*Heteropoda davidbowie*); RM1(D): Malayan Peacock Pheasant (Merak Pongsu, Polyplectron malaccense); RM1(E): Bioluminescent mushroom (Cendawan Bercahaya, Mycena chlorophos).



- Sheet B Royal Belum National Park, Perak:
- RM1(F): Gould's Frogmouth (Burung Segan, *Batrachostomus stellatus*) (shown in error as "Gould" on the stamp);
- RM1(G): Helmeted Hornbill (Enggang Tebang Mentua, *Rhinoplax vigil*);
- RM1(H): Rafflesia (Bunga Pakma Azianii, *Rafflesia azianii*);
- RM1(I): Daun Jari Hantu (*Trevesia burckii*);
- RM1(J): Trilobite Beetle larvae (*Duliticola hoiseni*).



- Sheet C Maliau Basin National Park, Sabah:
- RM1(K): Borneo Pygmy Elephant (Gajah Kerdil Borneo, *Elephas maximus borneensis*);
- RM1(L): Maliau Waterfall;
- RM1(M): Veitch's Pitcher Plant (Periuk Kera, Nepenthes veitchii);
- RM1(N): South East Asian Dead Leaf Mantis (Mentadak Daun Kering, *Deroplatys lobata*);
- RM1(O): Violin Beetle (Kumbang Biola, Mormolyce phyllodes).



They were printed by Southern Colour Print using off-set lithography. The self-adhesive paper gave negligible reaction under ultra-violet light and each stamp was overprinted with a fluorescent yellow phosphor frame. The die-cut perforations measure 12.6.

First day facilities:

There were three first day covers, themed for each sheet, each sold at 50s, showing (A) Gaur (Seladang, *Bos gaurus*), (B) Sumatran Rhinocerus (Badak Sumatera, *Dicerorhinus sumatrensis*), (C) Malayan Civet (Musang Tenggalung, *Viverra tangalunga*).

The first day postmark showed an elephant, a tree and a tiger.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.6.1	-	-	RM1(A).		
13.6.2	-	-	RM1 (B).		
13.6.3	-	-	RM1 (C).		
13.6.4	-	-	RM1 (D).		
13.6.5	-	-	RM1 (E).		
13.6.6	MS1951	-	Miniature sheet (A) (1-5).		
13.6.7	-	-	RM1 (F).		
13.6.8	-	-	RM1 (G).		
13.6.9	-	-	RM1 (H).		
13.6.10	-	-	RM1 (I).		
13.6.11	-	-	RM1 (J).		
13.6.12	MS1952	-	Miniature sheet (B) (8-11).		
13.6.13	-	-	RM1 (K).		
13.6.14	-	-	RM1 (L).		
13.6.15	-	-	RM1 (M).		
13.6.16	-	-	RM1 (N).		
13.6.17	-	-	RM1 (O).		
13.6.18	MS1953	-	Miniature sheet (B) (13-17).		
13.6.19	-	-	First day cover (A) (6).		
13.6.20	-	-	- (B) (12).		
13.6.21	-	-	- (C) (18).		

28 June 2013.

Living Corals.





Originally scheduled for 20 May, this issue was postponed to 9 July, then was pulled forward to June. Designed by Reign Associates, this issue comprised two counter sheets with se-tenant pairs and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

The 40mm x 30mm counter sheet stamps showed:

60s.(A): Bennett's Feather Star (Oxycomanthus bennetti);

- 60s.(B): Orange or Fleshy Sea Pen (Ptilosarcus gurneyi);
- 60s.(C): Magnificent Sea Anemone (*Heteractis magnifica*);

60s.(D): Toadstool Mushroom Leather Coral (Sarcophyton sp).

They were printed in sheets of 20 (two panes 2 x 5 with vertical gutter) by Southern Colour Print using standard fourcolour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were issue title in top margin, combined four colour dots incorporating the SCP emblem to left and right of R1 and R5, pane numbers (1B seen for A/B, 1C for C/D), Pos emblem below gutter. The unwatermarked Taiwan Yellow/Green-Phosphor Tullis Russell Gummed 106gsm paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The comb perforations measured 13.5. The top margin and gutter were imperforate; left, right and bottom margins were perforated through.

Miniature sheet:

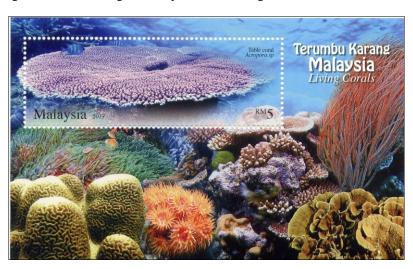
The 115mm x 70mm miniature sheet contained a 75mm x 25mm RM5 stamp showing Table coral (*Acropora sp*) with a background of a diverse coral reef. The paper was as for the counter sheet. The stamp was perforated 14.5×14.1 .

First day facilites:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured Clown Fish on a coral reef.

The special first day postmark included a sea fern.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.



No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.7.1	1956	-	60s.(A).		
13.7.2	1957	-	60s.(B).		
13.7.3	1956a	-	Se-tenant pair (1-2).		
13.7.4	1954	-	60s.(C).		
13.7.5	1955	-	60s.(D).		
13.7.6	1954a	-	Se-tenant pair (4-5).		
13.7.7	MS 1958	-	RM5 miniature sheet.		
13.7.8	-	-	First day cover (3, 6).		
13.7.9	-	-	- (7).	-	

Ulam - Traditional Salad.

25 July 2013.



Ulam is a traditional Malaysian salad appetiser of flowers, fruits, seeds, rhizomes, shoots or young leaves. The issue was intended to promote its use to young people.

Designed by Hazel Design, this late addition to the programme comprised two counter sheets with se-tenant pairs.

Counter sheets:

The 35mm square counter sheet stamps showed typical salad elements making up a composite plate design:

60s.(A): (top left) Pennywort (Pegaga, Centella asiatica);

60s.(B): (bottom left) Bitter Bean (Petai, Parkia speciosa);

60s.(C): (top right) Stintbean, Winged Bean or Asparagus Pea (Kacang botor, Psophocarpus tetragonolobus);

60s.(D): (bottom right) Cashew (Pucuk gajus, Annacardium occidentale).

In each sheet (A+B or C+D), columns 2 and 4 were printed inverted, creating tête-beche pairs forming blocks of four showing a complete plate.

They were printed in sheets of 20 (4 x 4 plus 1 x 4) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were issue title and Pos emblem in vertical gutter, colour dots (x4) to the left and right of R1 and R4 and 1A (x4) above and below columns 1 and 5. The Taiwan Yellow/Green-Phosphor Tullis Russell Gummed 106gsm paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The stamps had watermark Multiple SPM sideways reading up or down in the ratio 2:3. The comb perforations measured 13.1 x 13.2. The top margin and gutter were imperforate; left, right and bottom margins were perforated through.

Miniature sheet:

A planned miniature sheet was cancelled. It would have been 115mm x 70mm miniature sheet containing a 75mm x 25mm RM5 stamp.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured Wild Bitter Gourd (Peria katak, *Momordica subangulata*). The special first day postmark included Wild Bitter Gourd. The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.8.1	1959w	-	60s.(A). Wmk. SD.		
13.8.1a	1959	-	- Wmk. SU.		
13.8.2	1960w	-	60s.(B). Wmk. SD.		
13.8.2a	1960	-	- Wmk. SU.		
13.8.3	-	-	Se-tenant pair (1-2).		
13.8.3a	-	-	- (1a-2a).		
13.8.3b	-	-	- (1-2a).		
13.8.3c	-	-	- (1a-2).		
13.8.4	1959a	-	Tête-beche block (1-2, 1a-2a).		
13.8.5	1962w	-	60s.(C). Wmk. SD.		
13.8.5a	1962	-	- Wmk. SU.		
13.8.6	1961w	-	60s.(D). Wmk. SD.		
13.8.6a	1961	-	- Wmk. SU.		
13.8.7	-	-	Se-tenant pair (5-6).		
13.8.7a	-	-	- (5a-6a).		

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.8.7b	-	-	- (5-6a).		
13.8.7c	-	-	- (5a-6).		
13.8.8	1961a	-	Tête-beche block (5-6, 5a-6a).		
13.8.9	-	-	First day cover (3, 7a).		
13.8.9a	-	-	- (3b, 7a).	-	

23 August 2013.

Tri-Nation Stamp Exhibition.



Originally announced for 17 June, this issue was postponed to 23 August to coincide with the third Tri-Nation Stamp Exhibition, which was held at the Pos Malaysia Headquarters in Kuala Lumpur from 23-25 August. This was jointly organised by the Philatelic Society Malaysia, the Association of Singapore Philatelists and the Philatelists Association of Thailand.

Designed by Hazel Design, this issue comprised two counter sheets and a triangular self-adhesive miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

The 90mm x 30mm counter sheet stamps showed:

90s.: National flags plus composite skyline of Sultan Abdul Samad Building and Petronas Twin Towers (KL), Merlion and Marina Bay Sands (Singapore), Temple of Dawn and Royal Palace (Bangkok);

RM2: Similar design but flags flying loose.

They were printed in sheets of 10 (2 x 5 with imperforate vertical gutter between columns) by Southern Colour Print using standard four-colour off-set lithography, plus silver background on RM2. Sheet markings were pane number (x4 90s, x5 RM2) to left of R1/1 and R5/1 (1B-1D seen for 90s., 1A-1B RM2), national flowers above both columns, society emblems below both columns, colour dots incorporating SCP emblem to right of R1/2 and R5/2, issue title and Pos emblem in gutter. The 103 gsm Tullis Russell High Reading Yellow / Green Phosphor Gummed Stamp Paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had no watermark. The comb perforations measured 14.0. All margins were perforated through.

Miniature sheet:

The 110mm x 80mm x 80mm, triangular miniature sheet contained a 53mm x 39mm x 39mm RM3 selfadhesive stamp which showed the national flowers (*Hibiscus rosasinensis* (Malaysia), *Vanda "Miss Joaquim"* (Singapore), *Cassia fistula* (Thailand)). The background included an extended skyline with Putrajaya government building. It was on Avery Dennison B90 Kraft Back WLK5 Self-adhesive 210gsm paper. It had die-cut 12.0.



First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured maps of the three countries with the postal administration emblems.

The special first day postmark included people holding the three flags.

The folder was sold at RM5.50. As originally printed, the folder had vertical (banner) representations of the three nations flags, all three containing errors, the colours of that of Thailand being reversed. The folders were recalled before the day of issue and replaced by folders with the flags horizontal.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.9.1	1964	-	90s.		
13.9.2	1965	-	RM2.		

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.9.3	MS1966	-	RM3 miniature sheet.		
13.9.4	-	-	First day cover (1-2).		
13.9.5	-	-	- (3).	-	

31 August 2013.

Museums and Artefacts (I).





Originally announced for issue on 9 July as "Historical Places in Kuala Lumpur", this became "Museums and Artefacts" for 31 August by March 2012, then pulled forward to 27 August, then back to 31. It marked the 50th anniversary of the National Museum. Although officially issued on 31 August, the first day of general sale was Monday 2 September.

Designed by World Communications Network Resources (M) Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised two counter sheets with se-tenant stamps

Counter sheets:

The 45mm x 28mm counter sheet stamps showed:

- 60s.(A): Perak Museum, Taiping (1883) and Asian Elephant skull;
- 60s.(B): National Museum, Kuala Lumpur (1963) and Dongson Bell (c.150AD, Kampung Pencu, Johore);
- 60s.(C): Lemban Bujang Archaeological Museum, Kedah and Sungei Emas Inscriptions (c.500AD);
- 60s.(D): Galeria Perdana, Langkawi, Kedah and model sailing ship;
- 60s.(E): Kota Kayang Museum, Perlis and coin tree mould (c.1670);
- 60s.(F): Labuan Museum and brass teapot;
- 60s.(G): Chimney Historical Museum Information Centre, Labuan (2013) and The Chimney;
- 60s.(H): Sungai Lembing Underground Mining Museum, Pahang and mine winding wheel (pit wheel);
- 60s.(I): Adat Museum of Culture, Jelebu and long kris;
- 60s.(J): National Textile Museum, Kuala Lumpur (2010 in 1905 building) and royal songket sarong (1800).

Designs A-F formed a block of six (from sheet A of 24 (3 x 8)), while designs G-J formed a strip of four (from sheet B of 24 (two panes 4 x 3 with horizontal gutter)).

They were printed by Southern Colour Print using five-colour off-set lithography (standard plus photochromic). The right-hand panel of each stamp is coated in photochromic ink which is black at room temperature but should reveal the artefact when heat is applied. It was not the most successful of innovations! (The stamps were later reissued without it - see below.) Sheet markings were: Sheet A: issue title and event emblem in broad right margin, pane number (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R8/3 (1A, 1B seen), colour dots (x4 incorporating the SCP emblem) to left of R8/1 and right of R1/3, Pos emblem below column 2, National Museum Department emblem below column 3; Sheet B: issue title and event emblem in gutter, pane number (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R6/1 and right of R1/4, Pos emblem below column 2, National Museum Department emblem below column 3; Sheet B: issue title and event emblem in gutter, pane number (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R6/4 (1B seen), colour dots (x4 incorporating the SCP emblem) to left of R6/1 and right of R1/4, Pos emblem below column 2, National Museum Department emblem below column 3 are greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The comb perforations measured 14.1 x 14.2. Top, bottom and left margins of sheet A perforated through; right imperforate. All margins of sheet B perforated through; gutter imperforate.

First day facilities:

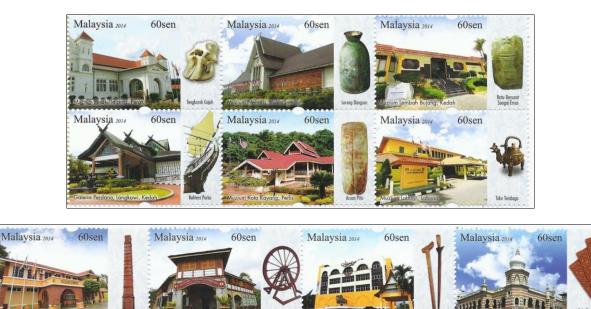
The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured the National Museum. The special first day postmark included the National Museum.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.	
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No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.10.1	1967	-	60s.(A).		
13.10.2	1968	-	60s.(B).		
13.10.3	1969	-	60s.(C).		
13.10.4	1970	-	60s.(D).		
13.10.5	1971	-	60s.(E).		
13.10.6	1972	-	60s.(F).		
13.10.7	1967a	-	Se-tenant block of six (1-6).		
13.10.8	1974	-	60s.(G).		
13.10.9	1975	-	60s.(H).		
13.10.10	1976	-	60s.(I).		
13.10.11	1973	-	60s.(J).		
13.10.12	1973a	-	Se-tenant strip of four (8-11).		
13.10.13	-	-	First day cover (7).		
13.10.14	-	-	- (12).	-	

13 March 2014.

Museums and Artefacts (II) – Revealing of the Hidden Treasures.



The August 2013 issue (TMP 54/89) was reissued without the photochromic ink covering over the artefact at the right. The date on the stamps was also changed from "2013" to "2014". The sheet margin background pattern and colour have been changed. All other details were as for the original issue. 160,000 stamps in the "block of 6" format and 240,000 in "strip" format were printed. ⁴

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured a different view of the National Museum from that used on the 2013 cover. 40,000 were printed.

The special first day postmark included the same view of the National Museum as the 2013 postmark. The folder was sold at RM6. 1700 were printed.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.11.1	2009	-	60s.(A).		
13.11.2	2010	-	60s.(B).		
13.11.3	2011	-	60s.(C).		
13.11.4	2012	-	60s.(D).		
13.11.5	2013	-	60s.(E).		
13.11.6	2014	-	60s.(F).		
13.11.7	2009a	-	Se-tenant pair (1-6).		
13.11.8	2015	-	60s.(G).		
13.11.9	2016	-	60s.(H).		
13.11.10	2017	-	60s.(I).		
13.11.11	2018	-	60s.(J).		
13.11.12	2015a	-	Se-tenant pair (8-11).		

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.11.13	-	-	First day cover (7).		
13.11.14	-	-	- (12).	-	

16 September 2013.

50th Anniversary of Malaysia (I).



Malaysia came into being on 16 September 1963. Although officially issued on 16 September 2013, its first day of general sale was Thursday 19 September.

Designed by Hazel Design, this issue comprised a single counter sheet.

Counter sheets:

The 50mm x 30mm 60s. counter sheet stamps showed a map of Malaysia, the flag and Tunku Abdul Rahman.

They were printed in sheets of 20 (two panes 2 x 5 with vertical gutter) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using five-colour off-set lithography (standard plus gold). [Printing plates]. Sheet markings were issue title, portrait and Pos emblem in central vertical gutter, 1A (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R5/4, colour dots (x4) to right of R1/4 and left of R5/1. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultraviolet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM sideways reading down. The comb perforations measured 13.6 x 13.4.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured a film strip showing the proclamation of Merdeka by the first King and Tunku Abdul Rahman.

The special first day postmark included the map of Malaysia.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.12.1	1977	-	60s.		
13.12.2	-	-	First day cover (1).		

13 November 2013.

Stamp Week - 50th Anniversary of Malaysia (II).



A revised stamp incorporating the Love Malaysia heart emblem appeared in a sheetlet of four stamps issued on 13 November 2013, the start of Stamp Week 2013, in place of the cancelled Visit Malaysia Year issue. In all other respects, the stamps were as for the counter sheets.

First day facilities:

So far as is known, there was no formal first day service for this issue, but Stamp Week events would have provided the opportunity for first day cancellation.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.13.1	1977	-	60s.		
13.13.2	MS1984	-	Stamp Week miniature sheet.		

9 October 2013.

World Post Day.

A set of 14 postcards was issued, based on the 2010 Post Offices stamp issue, together with an unstamped cover, which was serviced with the 14 separate stamps, cancelled with a special postmark. The set of postcards was sold at RM14 and the set of covers for RM22.40. Designs were as listed for the stamp issue:

- Cards:

(A): Jalan Kelang Lama PO, Kuala Lumpur (1984);

(B): Layang-Layang PO, Johore (Pre-WW2);

(C): Jalan Raja PO (formerly Alor Star GPO), Kedah (Pre-WW2);

(D): Temangan PO, Kelantan (Post-1957);

(E): Merlimau PO, Malacca (Pre-WW2);

(F): Seremban PO, Negri Sembilan (1971);

(G): Bukit Fraser PO, Pahang (Pre-WW2);

(H): Kuala Kangsar PO, Perak (Pre-WW2);

(I): Kaki Bukit PO, Perlis (1974);

(J): Jalan Bagan Luar PO, Penang (1976);

(K): Kudat PO, Sabah (1976);

(L): Kuching GPO, Sarawak (Pre-WW2);

(M): Kajang PO, Selangor (Pre-WW2);

(N): Kuala Terengganu PO, Trengganu (1966);

- Covers:

(A): Kuala Lumpur GPO (1983);

(B): Johor Bahru GPO (1963);

(C): Sungei Petani PO, Kedah (1967);

(D): Rantau Panjang PO, Kelantan (1974);

(E): Alor Gajah PO, Malacca (Pre-WW2);

(F): Bandar Bahru Serting PO, Negri Sembilan (1991);

(G): Ringlet PO, Pahang (Pre-WW2);

(H): Tronoh PO, Perak (Pre-WW2);

(I): Kangar PO, Perlis (1964);

(J): Bukit Mertajam PO, Penang (1968);

(K): Kota Kinabalu GPO, Sabah (1985);

(L): Sarikei PO, Sarawak (1981);

(M): Bukit Rotan PO, Selangor (1926);

(N): Jerteh PO, Trengganu (1962).

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.14.1	-	-	Card A.		
13.14.2	-	-	Card B.		
13.14.3	-	-	Card C.		
13.14.4	-	-	Card D.		
13.14.5	-	-	Card E.		
13.14.6	-	-	Card F.		
13.14.7	-	-	Card G		
13.14.8	-	-	Card H.		
13.14.9	-	-	Card I.		
13.14.10	-	-	Card J.		
13.14.11	-	-	Card K.		
13.14.12	-	-	Card L.		
13.14.13	-	-	Card M.		
13.14.14	-	-	Card N.		
13.14.15	-	-	Cover A.		
13.14.16	-	-	Cover B.	-	
13.14.17	-	-	Cover C.	-	
13.14.18	-	-	Cover D.	-	
13.14.19	-	-	Cover E.	-	
13.14.20	-	-	Cover F.	-	
13.14.21	-	-	Cover G	-	
13.14.22	-	-	Cover H.	-	
13.14.23	-	-	Cover I.	-	
13.14.24	-	-	Cover J.	-	

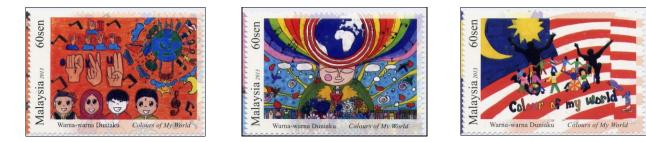
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Rare Fruits (IV).

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.14.25	-	-	Cover K.	-	
13.14.26	-	-	Cover L.	-	
13.14.27	-	-	Cover M.	-	
13.14.28	-	-	Cover N.	-	

22 October 2013.

Colours of My World - "It's about ability".



Originally planned for World Post Day (9 October), this issue was postponed to 22 October. It marked UNICEF World Children's Day (20 November), the anniversary of the signing of .

Designed by Kakikreatif based on the winning designs from a disabled children's art contest launched on 8 May to mark the 5th anniversary of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD), this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The 51mm x 36mm counter sheet stamps showed:

60s.(A): "Friendship World" by Lovira Jospely (14, Sabah) (I Love OKU in Basic Sign Language Alphabet).

60s.(B): "Colours of My World" by Stephanie Tam Zhu Shin (14, Selangor) (Musical rainbow).

60s.(C): "One Malaysia" by Intan Syafienaz Binti Mohamad Bakhid (17, Perak) (Malaysian flag).

They were printed in sheets of 10 (L-shaped block 3 x 4 omitting R1/3 and R2/3) by Chan Wanich Security Printing using standard four-colour screen printing with Braille dots affixed to the surface. Sheet markings were issue title in top margin, colour dots (x4) incorporating letters "CSP" to above R1/1, below R4/1 and R4/3, left of R1/1 and R4/1 and to right of R4/3, designer, Unicef and Pos emblems in bottom margin below R4/2-3. The granite paper gave no reaction under ultra-violet light, so each stamp was overprinted with a yellow-green fluorescent phosphor frame. The paper had no watermark. The comb perforations measured 13.4. The left and right margins adjacent to stamps were perforated through and rest imperforate.

It is understood that an RM18 souvenir sheet was issued, but no details are available.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured the event emblem.

The special first day postmark included the children from the event emblem.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.15.1	1978	-	60s.(A).		
13.15.2	1980	-	60s.(B).		
13.15.3	1979	-	60s.(C).		
13.15.4	-	-	First day cover (1-3).		

28 October 2013.



Designed by World Communications Network Resources (M) Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised three counter sheets.

Counter sheets:

The 30mm x 50mm counter sheet stamps showed:

60s.: Passion Fruit (Markisa, Passiflora edulis);

80s.: Sugar Apple⁵ (Nona, *Annons squamosa*);

RM1.20: Namu-Namu (Nam-Nam, Cynometra cauliflora).

They were printed in sheets of 20 (two panes 5 x 2 with horizontal gutter) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Sheet markings were issue title in gutter, 1A (x4) to left of R1/1 and right of R4/5, colour dots (x4) to right of R1/5 and left of R4/5, Pos emblem below R4/3. The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM reading down. ⁶ The 60s. also exists watermark sideways reading up. The comb perforations measured 13.4 x 13.6. Side margins were perforated through; top, bottom and gutter were imperforate.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured Red Angled Tampoi or Wild Carambola (Belimbing Merah, *Baccaurea angulata*).

The special first day postmark included Passion Fruit.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.16.1	1981w	-	60s. Wmk.SD.		
13.16.1a	1981	-	- Wmk.SU.		
13.16.2	1982	-	80s. Wmk.SD.		
13.16.3	1983	-	RM1.20. Wmk.SD.		
13.16.4	-	-	First day cover (1-3).		

Unissued [13 November 2013.]

Stamp Week - Visit Malaysia Year.







Originally planned for 11 November, this issue was originally announced as Folk Tales (II). It was delayed to 13 November and subsequently changed to Visit Malaysia Year, to replace the issue planned for 13 August, for which an issue of four 60s. sheetlets of six stamps was planned. After the pre-publicity images appeared, a Filipino photographer claimed that an image had been used without permission and captioned as the wrong bird. The publicity images were withdrawn from the Pos Malaysia website and the issue was not released.

23 November 2013.

Centenary of Excellence in Banking.



This issue marked the centenary of the RHB Banking Group. The Kwong Yik (Selangor) Banking Corporation was formed in 1913. United Malayan Banking Corporation was formed in 1959. Development & Commercial Bank was formed in 1966. Bank Utama was formed in 1976. DCB was taken over by Rashid Hussain Bhd. in 1990. UMB was taken over in 1996 by Sime Darby Bhd. and renamed Sime Bank Bhd. Kwong Yik and DCB merged in 1997 to form RHB Bank Bhd. Sime and RHB merged in 1999 to form the present Group, which took over Bank Utama in 2003. Originally planned for 23 October, this issue was pulled ahead to 3 September, then back to 7October, then 23 November (with general sale date of Monday 25 November).

Designed by World Communications Network Resources (M) Sdn. Bhd., this issue comprised one counter sheet with se-tenant stamps whose illustrations and some sheet markings are orientated diagonally. Descriptions are given relative to the orientation of the country/value inscriptions (as illustrated).

Counter sheets:

The 31mm square (diamond) counter sheet stamps showed:

60s.(A): Kwong Yik "Boss" automatic teller machine;

60s.(B): Kwong Yik original headquarters, Old Market Square, Kuala Lumpur;

60s.(C): Present RHB Group headquarters, Kuala Lumpur;

60s.(D): Tunku Abdul Rahman opening the new Kwong Yik Bank HQ.

They were printed in sheets of 12 (4 x 4 with top right quadrant occupied by issue title) by Chan Wanish Security Co. Ltd. using five-colour off-set lithography (standard plus silver foil). Sheet markings were colour dots (with CSP initials) to right of R3/4 and left of R1/1 and R4/1, 1A (x4) to right of R4/4. above R1/1 and below R4/1, Pos emblem below R4/4. The unwatermarked non-OBA granite paper was overprinted with a fluorescent yellow-green phosphor frame over each stamp. The comb perforations measured 14.3.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured Group headquarters building. The special first day postmark included Kwong Yik Bank emblem. The folder was sold at RM5.50.

No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mi	nt Used
13.17.1	1986	-	60s.(A).		
13.17.2	1985	-	60s.(B).		
13.17.3	1988	-	60s.(C).		
13.17.4	1987	-	60s.(D).		
13.17.5	-	-	Se-tenant block of four (1-4).		
13.17.6	-	-	First day cover (5).	E	

29 November 2013.



The Baba & Nyonya Heritage (I).



The terms "Baba" and "Nyonya" are used by members of the Peranakan Chinese community in Malaysia, the descendants of 15th-19th Century immigrants, to refer to male and female members respectively. This issue celebrates aspects of this hybrid of Chinese and Malay cultures. Originally scheduled for 8 April, this issue was postponed to 29 November.

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

Counter sheets:

The 30mm x 48mm counter sheet stamps showed:

60s.(A): Nyonyaware ceramic plate, spoons, bowls and kamcheng (covered jar);

60s.(B): Beaded slippers;

80s.(A): Peranakan town house, Baba & Nyonya Heritage Museum, Melaka;

80s.(B): Peranakan wedding costumes.

They were printed in sheets of 20 (two panes 2 x 5 with vertical gutter) by Cartor using standard four-colour off-set lithography. Design A, in each case, was in columns 1 and 3 and B in 2 and 4. Sheet markings were 1A(x4) above and below columns 1 and 4, colour rectangles with Cartor emblem to left and right of R1 and R5, issue title and Pos emblem in gutter. The unwatermarked 102gsm yellow-green phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The comb perforations measured 14.1.

Miniature sheet:

The 85mm x 100mm miniature sheet showed a Nyonya Kebaya dress that won the UNESCO Award of Excellence for Handicraft 2012. Inset was a 50mm x 60mm RM5 stamp showing a pierced embroidery of fruit motifs. The sheet was pierced to show the embroidery effect. Paper and perforation were as for counter sheets.

The sheet achieved fourth place in the 2013 WIPA Grand Prix design competition.

First day facilities:

The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured a decorated footstool.

The special first day postmark included a dragon and flower motif.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.



Unstamped postcards (29 November 2013?):

Although not announced at the time, it is believed that this 180mm x 125mm cut-to-shape unstamped postcard was issued at the same time as the stamps. It was sold for RM1.



Gold stamp (1 December 2014):

To celebrate Malaysia's fourth prize in the 2013 WIPA design competition with this issue, without prior announcement, Pos Malaysia released a RM50 stamp on the first day of the WYSE exhibition. This is minted, rather than printed, in gold-plated metal foil with what appears to be double-sided Sellotape to allow it to be attached to a cover.

Designed by Reign Associates, this issue comprised a single minted stamp in a presentation folder. The 25mm x 35mm x 1mm thick RM50 stamp showed the stamp from the 2013 miniature sheet. They were minted individually by Cartor by embossing in22k gold-plated copy. The perforations measured 7.



First day facilities:

It was issued in a presentation pack, price not recorded. This was not sent to SODA account holders. No separate first day posting facilities were provided.

Embroidered miniature sheet (16 February 2015).

The exploitation of this theme continued with a RM35 miniature sheet, sold in a presentation pack. It was dated "2015" and had the design picked out in embroidery. Printer and technical details were as for the 2013 RM5 sheet, except that the design was not pierced to resemble the embroidery.

First day facilities:

This was not sent to SODA account holders, but local first day facilities may have been available.



No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.18.1	1989	-	60s.(A).		
13.18.2	1990	-	60s.(B).		
13.18.3	1989a	-	Se-tenant pair (1-2).		
13.18.4	1991	-	80s.(A).		
13.18.5	1992	-	80s.(B).		
13.18.6	1991a	-	Se-tenant pair (4-5).		
13.18.7	MS1993	-	RM5 miniature sheet.		
13.18.8	-	-	First day cover (3, 6).		
13.18.9	-	-	- (7).	-	
No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.19.1	-	-	RM50.		
13.19.2	-	-	Presentation pack (1).		-
No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.20.1	-	-	RM35 miniature sheet.		
13.20.2	-	-	Presentation pack (1).		-

23 December 2013.

Endangered Big Cats of Malaysia.





This issue was originally announced for 12 December as "Stamp For Youth – Sharing is Caring", to publicise the Stamps for World Youth Stamp Exhibition, to be held in 2014. It was subsequently changed to "Felidae" and later postponed to 23 December as "Wild Cats of Malaysia".

Designed by Hazel Design, this issue comprised three counter sheets and a miniature sheet.

Counter sheets:

The 50mm x 30mm counter sheet stamps showed:

60s.(A): Spotted Leopard (Harimau Kumbang, Panthera pardus);

60s.(B): Black (melanistic) Leopard (Harimau Kumbang, Panthera pardus);

80s.(A): Clouded Leopard (Harimau Dahan, Neofelis nebulosa);

80s.(B): Sunda Clouded Leopard (Harimau Dahan Sunda, Neofelis diardi).

They were printed in sheets of 20 (each of the three designs being in different format) by Percetakan Keselamatan Nasional using standard four-colour off-set lithography. The 60s. se-tenant sheet had two panes 2 x 5 with vertical gutter, with design A in columns 1 and 3 and B in 2 and 4. The 80s.(A) sheet was 4 x 5 with broad margin at left, while the 80s.(B) sheet was also 4 x 5 but with broad margin at right. Sheet markings were issue title, illustration and Pos emblem in gutter (60s.) or broad margin (80s.), 1A (x4) above R1/1 (60s., 80s.(B)) or margin (80s.(A), and below R5/4 (60s., 80s(A)) or margin (80s.(B)), colour dots below R5/1 (60s., 80s.(B)) or margin (80s.(A)) and above R1/4 (60s., 80s(A)) or margin (80s.(B)). The phosphor-coated paper gave a greenish-white fluorescent reaction and a yellow-green after-glow under ultra-violet light. The paper had watermark Multiple SPM sideways reading down. The comb perforations measured 13.6 x 13.4. The 60s. sheet had all margins perforated through but the gutter imperforate. The 80s. sheets had imperforate broad margin with the remaining three perforated through.

Miniature sheet:

The 110mm x70mm miniature sheet contained a 30mm x 50mm RM3 stamp showing the Malayan Tiger (Harimau Belang Malaya, *Panthera tigris jacksonii*) with two cubs. The paper was as for the counter sheets but with watermark upright (inverted has been reported⁷). It was perforated 13.4×13.6 .

First day facilities:

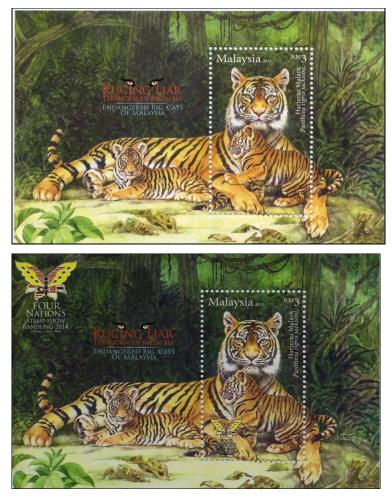
The first day cover, sold at 50s., featured cubs of the four cats.

The special first day postmark included paw prints.

The folder was sold at RM5.50.

Exhibition miniature sheet – Bandung (27 May 2014):

The miniature sheet exists in an exhibition version inscribed "Four Nations Stamp Show. Bandung 2014. 27 May-1 June 2014" on both the background and the stamp. It is assumed that it was issued on 27 May 2014. Technical details are as for the original issue, with watermark upright.



No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.21.1	1994	-	60s.(A).		
13.21.2	1995	-	60s.(B).		
13.21.3	1994a	-	Se-tenant pair (1-2).		
13.21.4	1997	-	80s.(A).		
13.21.5	1996	-	80s.(B).		
13.21.6	MS1998	-	RM3 miniature sheet. Wmk. U.		
13.21.6a	-	-	- Wmk. I.		
13.21.7	-	-	First day cover (3, 4, 5).		
13.21.8	-	-	- (6).	-	
No.	S.G.	I.S.C.		Mint	Used
13.22.1	MS2019a	-	Exhibition m/s - Bandung		

A cancelled issue for 2013 was 30 May 2013 - Malaysia: Endless Possibilities.

NOTES

- ¹ Reported by Mr. M. Kingsland.
- ² S.G. number refers to pair of sheets.
- ³ S.G. number refers to pair of covers.
- ⁴ The source is ambiguous and could imply that these quantities related to the se-tenant units, in which 960,000 were printed of each format.
- ⁵ The Pos Malaysia publicity describes it as Custard Apple, which is *Annona reticulata*.
- ⁶ S.G. incorrectly lists normal watermark as SU.
- ⁷ Reported by Mr. M Kingsland.