

NEW STAMP ISSUES

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Algeria: July 23, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Two 15dh stamps, fencing, wrestling.

Armenia: June 11, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 350dr dragon forming "8s".

Aruba: April 1, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 50¢ runner; 75¢ synchronized swimming; 100¢ gymnastic rings; 125¢ judo.

Australia: July 29, 2008. 100th Anniversary Australian Football. 50¢ early game.

August 1, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 50¢ basketball; \$1.30 cycling; \$1.35 gymnastics.

August 2008. Olympic Gold Medalists. 14 50¢ stamps issued within 24 hours after the Olympic event. August 11, Stephanie Rice, women's 400 meter individual medley; August 12, Lisbeth Trickett, women's 100-meter butterfly; August 13, Leisel Jones, women's 100-meter breaststroke; August 14, Rice, women's 200-meter individual medley; August 15, Kylie Palmer, Bronte Barratt, Linda Mackenzie, Rice, women's four by 200-meter freestyle relay; August 17, Drew Ginn, Duncan Free, men's pair rowing; August 17, David Crawshay, Scott Brennan, men's double sculls rowing; August 18, Emily Seebohm, Jones, Trickett, Jessica Schipper, women's four by 100-meter medley relay; August 19, Emma Snowsill, women's triathlon; August 19, Malcom Page, Nathan Wilmot, 470 men's sailing; August 19, Tessa Parkinson, Elise Rechichi 470 women's sailing; August 24, Ken Wallace, men's kayak; August 25, Steven Hooker, men's pole vault; August 25, Matthew Micham, 10-meter platform diving.

Bahrain: August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 100f runner; 200f horse jumping; souvenir sheet contains the two stamps.

Bangladesh: July 16, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 10t runners; 15t shooters; 20t mascots; 25t Pierre de Coubertin.

Bermuda: July 23, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 10¢ running; 35¢ diving; 70¢ equestrian; 85¢ sailing.

Bhutan: May 2008. Beijing Olympics. Four se-tenant stamps depicting archery.

Bolivia: April 11, 2008. 100th Anniversary Club the Strongest. 1.50b tiger logo; 2.50b arms; 5.50b ship trophy; 6.50b founders of the soccer club.

Bosnia Serb Administration: July 16, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 70ph high jumper; 2.10m swimmer. S/s with 3.10m stamp gymnast on balance beam. Printed in sheets of eight with a label, Glas Srpske.

Burkina Faso: March 17, 2008. Traditional Wrestling. 5fr parade of wrestlers, drummers; 30fr, 200fr, 690fr different wrestling positions.

Chile: July 30, 2008. World Soccer. Four se-tenant 280p stamps with soccer ball and stadium in center.

China: August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Olymplex Olympic Expo. Two \$1.20 stamps with stamp-on stamp designs, Greek 1896 5d stamp; Portugal 1928 postal tax stamp. Souvenir sheet with circular \$6 stamp, stamp-on-stamp design of 1896 Greek stamp, medal, Athens 2004 mascots.

August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. \$1.20 Bird's Nest Stadium, smiley face, mountains and sea. Moisture-activated gum sheets of 12; self-adhesive sheets of 8.

August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics/Sports. Souvenir sheet with 10 previously issued stamps, 60f basketball; 80f fencing; 80f sailing; \$3 gymnastics issued August 8, 2006. Six \$1.20 stamps, Diving; shooting; pole vaulting; volleyball; BMX bicycling; weightlifting. Issued August 7, 2007.

August 22, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Handover of Olympic Flag (joint issue with Great Britain). Four \$1.20 stamps, National Stadium, Beijing; London Eye; Tower of London; corner tower of Beijing's Forbidden City. Sheets of 20 moisture activated; miniature sheets of 8 self-adhesive.

Cook Islands: July 28, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Pane of four se-tenant stamps 40¢ wight lifting; 60¢ high jump; \$1 swimming; \$1.50 running.

Cuba: January 18, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 15c baseball; 45c swimming; 65c discus; 75c volleyball.

Egypt: February 10, 2008. Africa Cup of Nations Soccer Champions. 30pi hands holding trophy.

Eritrea: May 27, 2007. 50th Anniversary African Soccer Federation. 3n player and flags; 5n soccer field; 10n players on field.

Estonia: August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 9k/€0.58 discus thrower.

Finland: September 5, 2008. Kimi Raikkonen 2007 Formula One World Championship. Two non-denominated self-adhesive first-class stamps, photograph of Raikkonen; Raikkonen's 2007 car.

France: 2008. Vacations. Self-adhesive booklet of 10. One stamp portrays golf. Putting into hole.

French Polynesia: August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Two 140fr stamps, weight lifting; table tennis.

Gambia: May 16, 2008. Edmund Hillary. Pane of four se-tenant 25dal stamps; Edmund Hillary, Everest.

May 28, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Souvenir sheet with four se-tenant 10dal stamps depicting the 1920 Games, Suzanne Lenglen, Duke Kahanamoku, Nedo Nade.

Ghana: May 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Pane of four se-tenant 40p stamps, boxing; relay; long jump; soccer.

Hong Kong: August 9, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Equestrian Events. \$1.40 jumping; \$2.40 dressage; \$3 eventing; \$5 victory. Souvenir sheet contains the four stamps se-tenant.

India: August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. S/s with four se-tenant diamond-shaped stamps, two 5re stamps, torch, boxers; two 15re stamps, archer, shooter.

Indonesia: July 5, 2008. 17th National Games. Four se-tenant circular 1,500r stamps, mountain biking; body building; human steeplechase; Palaran Stadium.

Ireland: July 15, 2008. Beijing Olympics. €0.55 rowing, €0.82 shot put, souvenir sheet contains the two stamps.

Isle of Man: July 10, 2008. Motoring Magic/British Racing Greats. 20p Reg Parnell; 30p Mike Hawthorn; 70p Tony Brooks; 81p Roy Salvadori; 94p Stirling Moss; £1.22 Ji9m Clark; souvenir sheet contains six se-tenant 50p stamps; Ford GT 40, 1965, Shelby Cobra, 1964, Mercedes-Benz 300 SLR, 1955, Ferrari 250 LM; 1965, Ferrari 250 GTO, 1962, Aston Martin DB4 GT Zagato 1961.

Israel: July 14, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Two 1.60s stamps, swimming; rhythmic gymnastics; 2.30s tennis, 2.90s laser radial sailing.

Italy: May 31, 2008. Motorcycles. €0.60 Ducati Desmosedici GP7 in race, checkered flag.

July 4, 2008. Italian Sport/Winners of Italian Soccer Championship. €0.60 Interteam player kicking ball, shield representing the teams 16th victory.

July 7, 2008. Beijing Olympics. €0.60 ceramic plate showing runner with torch; €0.85 ceramic plate showing Greek and Asian athletes, horse.

Kazakhstan: August 10, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Se-tenant pair of 100t stamps, judo; handball.

Kiribati: August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 25¢ wight lifting, bamboo; 50¢ runner, dragon mask; 60¢ cycling, paper lanterns; 75¢ javelin, carp.

North Korea: October 15, 2007. Beijing Olympics. Mascots, all stamps circular; 3w, 12w, 30w, 70w, 140w.

South Korea: August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 250w gymnast, Temple of Heaven.

September 5, 2008. Extreme Sports/Part 3/Snowboarding. Four se-tenant 250w self-adhesive stamps showing snowboarding techniques, carving turn; indy grab; nose grab; air.

Latvia: August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 63s basketball player.

Lithuania: July 26, 2008. 2.15 litas runners; 2.45 litas sailboats.

Macedonia: June 25, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 12d (all designs show symbolic athletes) sailing, 18d gymnastics, 20d tennis, 35d equestrian.

Malaysia: August 1, 2008. International Dragon Boat Federation Club Crew World Championship of Dragon Boat Racing. 30s, 50s, \$1, souvenir sheet with \$2 stamp, different scenes of dragon boat racing.

Micronesia: July 19, 2008. NBA Basketball/The Phoenix Suns. Pane of nine se-tenant 42¢ stamps.

Mongolia: July 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Pane of four se-tenant 600t stamps, kayaking; fencing; handball; pentathlon.

Namibia: August 15, 2008. Beijing Olympics. \$2 woman running, flag; \$3.70 male athlete, bronze medal; \$3.90 male athlete, gold medal; \$4.20 female athlete, silver medal.

Nauru: August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 15¢ tennis, bamboo; 25¢ archery, dragon mask; 75¢ wight lifting, paper lanterns; \$1 diving, carp.

New Caledonia: July 31, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Three 75fr stamps showing athletes and world, weight lifter; taw kwon do, judges; table tennis.

Norway: August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 9kr javelin thrower Andreas Thorkildsen; 23kr handball player Gro Hammersend.

Peru: 2008. Beijing Olympics. Pane of four se-tenant 1 sol stamps, mascots and scenes of Peru, coastline, Cathedral of Lima; Machu Picchu; Tambopata.

Poland: May 30, 20008. Euro Soccer Championship. 1.35zł symbolic design with painted faces.

August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Two 10g stamps, swimmer; volleyball; two 1.45zł pole vault; fencing; souvenir sheet contains the four stamps.

Qatar: August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Three se-tenant stamps, two 50f stamp, emblem and Olympic rings, 3r emblem, symbolic athletes.

Russia: July 12, 2008. 50th Anniversary Helicopter Sports. 5rub helicopter.

St. Kitts: June 18, 2008. History of the Olympics/1900 Paris Games, pane of four se-tenant \$1.40 stamps.

San Marino: August 22, 2008. 75th Road Cycling World Champions. Varese se-tenant pair €0.85 chronometer, cyclist; €3.25 cyclist at the finish line.

Singapore: June 25, 2008. Winning Bid for Youth Olympics. Se-tenant pair of stamps, non-denominated 1st local stamp, young people celebrating; \$2 celebration, flag.

August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Non-denominated "2nd" local stamp, sailing; non-denominated "1st local" stamp table tennis; two \$1.10 stamps, shooting; badminton.

Slovakia: June 6, 2008. Beijing Paralympics. 30sk artificial leg, Great Wall of China.

Slovenia: May 29, 20008. Beijing Olympics. Se-tenant pair, €0.40, wrestling; €0.45 sailing.

Solomon Islands: August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. \$2.15 field hockey, bamboo; \$3 pole vaulter, dragon mask; \$4 badminton, paper lanterns; \$5 runner, carp.

Spain: June 5, 2008. Traditional Sports. Pane of three €0.43 stamps and three labels showing bowling games, bolo Palma; bolo Leones; bolo Asturiano.

July 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. €0.31 athlete jumping, emblems, Olympic rings.

July 16, 2008. Traditional Sports. €0.43 stamps and label, Regatas de Traineras rowing competition; pane of five €0.43 stamps featuring wrestling of different regions and five labels, stick fighting, Canary Island, Leonesa; Canaria.

September 19, 2008. Royal Spanish Tennis Federation. €0.31 symbolic racket and ball.

Sri Lanka: July 23, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 5re (all the stamps are rhomboid shaped in tete-beche pairs) shooter; 15re javelin thrower; 40re boxer; 45re runners.

Tanzania: April 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Pane of four se-tenant 700s stamps, basketball; marathon; swimming; javelin throw.

Trinidad & Tobago: 2008. Beijing Olympics. Pane of four se-tenant \$3.50 stamps, legs of runner; hands of table tennis player; wheel of bicycle; swimmer.

Tunisia: August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 250m, 600m different designs with symbolic athletes, rings, emblem. Souvenir sheet contains the two stamps.

Turkey: August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 25k archery; 65k taekwondo; two 80k, wrestling; weightlifting.

United Nations: August 8, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Sheets of 9, 42¢ Runner, 94¢ hurdler; 1fr gymnast performing a floor exercise, 1.80fr tennis player; €0.65 gymnast on the rings, €1.30 swimmer. Souvenir sheets, \$1.25 runner; 3fr floor gymnast; €2.10 swimmer. €2.10 souvenir sheet overprinted "Peking 2008" and illustration of three Olympic-themed medals with UN logo. Personalized pane of 10, 94¢ stamps with 10 labels. Five labels show the jumping rat and the other five show the Olympic Rings and "Sport for Peace."

Vanuatu: August 27, 2008. Resorts in Paradise. Set of six 90v stamps, two values depict sailboats.

Wallis & Futuna: June 14, 2008. Beijing Olympics. 75fr Chinese building, canoeing.

Western Samoa: June 18, 2008. Beijing Olympics. Souvenir sheet with four se-tenant stamps 50s cycling; \$1 boxing; \$1.50 wrestling; \$2 running.