

Japanese Puppet State of
MANCHUKUO
1932 - 1945

1932, July 26

Pagoda at Liaoyang and Chief Executive Henry Pu-yi designs
five character inscription, reading: **Manchu State Postal Administration**
unwatermarked, perf 13x13 ½, litho, white paper



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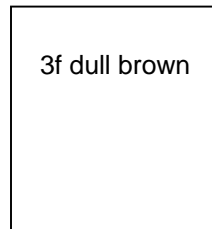


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2f slate

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3f dull brown

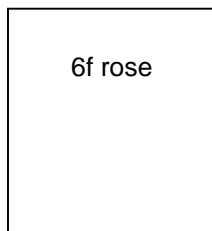
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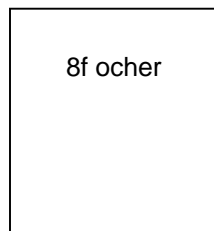


6f rose

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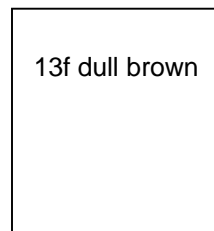


8f ocher

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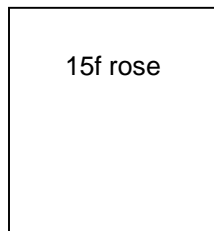


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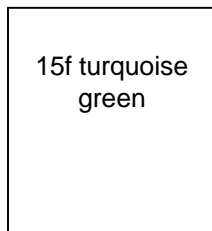
13f dull brown

12



15f rose

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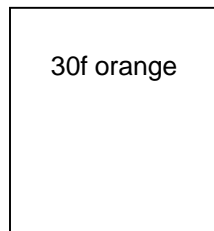


15f turquoise green

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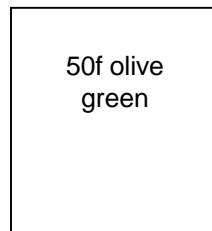


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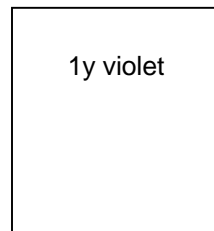
30f orange

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50f olive green

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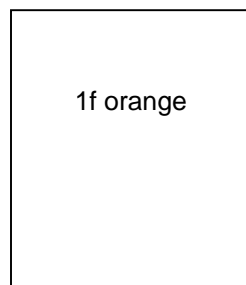


1y violet

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1933, Mar 1

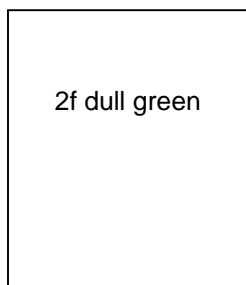
1st Anniversary of the Establishment of Manchukuo State
unwatermarked, perf 12 ½, litho, white paper



1f orange

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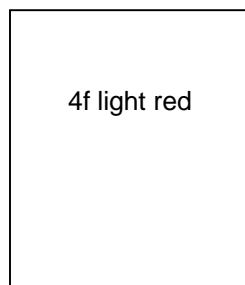
Flags, Map and Wreath



2f dull green

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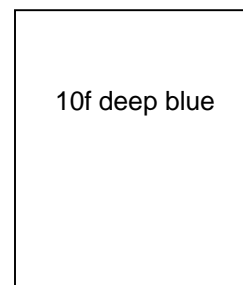
Old State Council Building



4f light red

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Flags, Map and Wreath



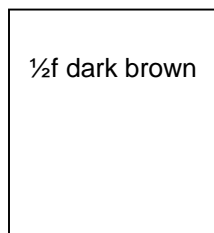
10f deep blue

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Old State Council Building

1934, Feb

Pagoda at Liaoyang and Chief Executive Henry Pu-yi design
five character inscription, reading: **Manchu State Postal Administration**
watermark 239, perf 13x13 ½, engraved, granite paper



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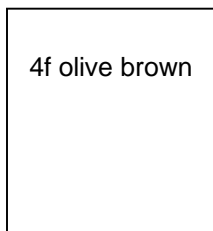
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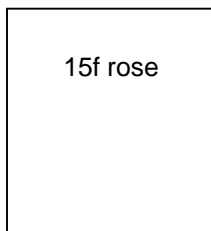
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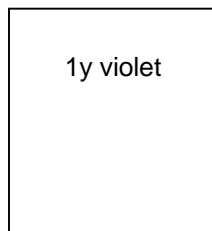
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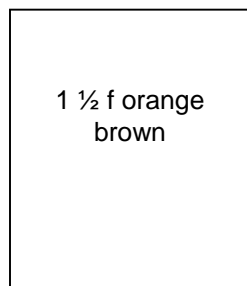
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1934, Mar 1

Commemoration of the enthronement of His Imperial Highness Henry P'u Yi who became Emperor Kang-Teh exactly two years after the formation of Manchukuo
unwatermarked, perf 12 ½, litho, white paper



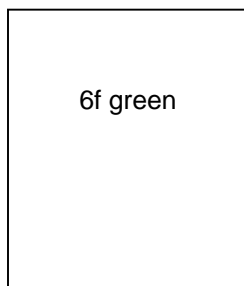
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Emperor's Palace



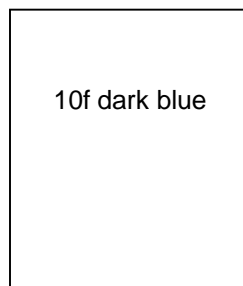
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Phoenix



34

Emperor's Palace



35

Phoenix

1934, Jun 1

Pagoda design, surcharged in black to account for a shortage in 1f stamps
unwatermarked, perf 13x13 ½, litho, white paper



Image of die 1 from
manchukoostamps.com



36 - die 1



36 - die 4



Image of die 5 from
manchukoostamps.com

1935, July 26

Pagoda at Liaoyang and Chief Executive Henry Pu-yi designs
six character inscription, reading: Manchu Empire Postal Administration

watermark 239, perf 13x13 1/2, engraved, granite paper



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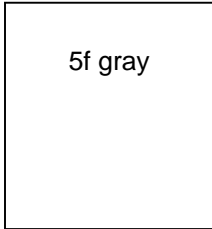


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5f dark blue

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5f gray

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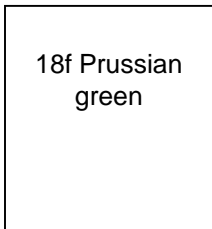
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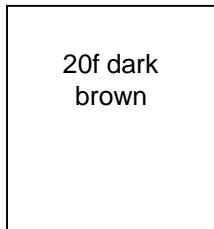


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18f Prussian green

51



20f dark brown

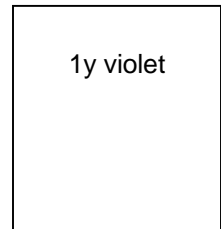
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54



1y violet

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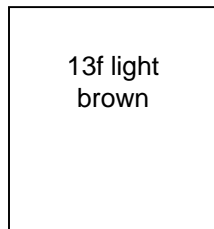
1935

Pagoda at Liaoyang and Chief Executive Henry Pu-yi designs
six character inscription, reading: Manchu Empire Postal Administration

watermark 242, perf 13x13 1/2, engraved, granite paper



57



13f light brown

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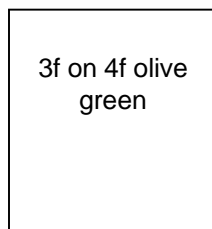
1935, March

Pagoda at Liaoyang design, surcharged in black
five character inscription, reading: Manchu State Postal Administration

white paper
unwatermarked

perf 13x13 ½, litho

granite paper
watermark #239



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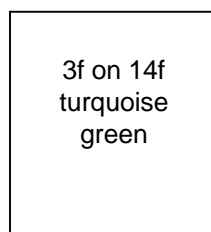


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1935, March

Chief Executive Henry Pu-yi design, surcharged in black
five character inscription, reading: Manchu State Postal Administration

perf 13x13 ½, litho, unwatermarked, white paper

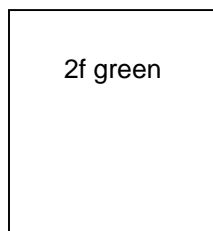


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1935, Jan 1

Symbols of Manchukuo designs

watermark 141, perf 13x13 ½, litho, granite paper



62
*Orchid crest of
Manchukuo*



63
*Sacred White
Mountains and
Black Waters*



64
*Orchid crest of
Manchukuo*



65
*Sacred White
Mountains and
Black Waters*

1935

Symbols of Manchukuo designs

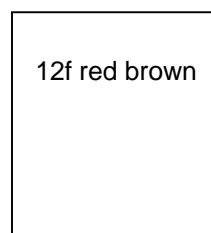
watermark 242, perf 13x13 ½, litho, granite paper



66
*Orchid crest of
Manchukuo*



68
*Orchid crest of
Manchukuo*



70
*Sacred White
Mountains and
Black Waters*

Japanese Puppet State of
MANCHUKUO

1935, Apr 2

Commemorating the Visit of the Emperor of Manchukuo to Tokyo

perf 11, 12½, and compound, engraved, watermark #242



71
Mt. Fuji



72
Phoenix



73
Mt. Fuji



74
Phoenix

1936, Jan 1

Symbols of Manchukuo designs redrawn

watermark 242, perf 13x13 ½, engraved, granite paper



75
*Orchid crest of
Manchukuo*



76
*Sacred White
Mountains and
Black Waters*



77
*Orchid crest of
Manchukuo*



78
*Sacred White
Mountains and
Black Waters*

1936, Jan 26

Celebration of a new Postal Agreement with Japan

perf 12 x 12 ½, 12½ x 12, engraved, watermark #242



79
*Wild goose over the
Sea of Japan*



80
*Communications building in
Hsinking*



81
*Wild goose over the
Sea of Japan*



82
*Communications building in
Hsinking*

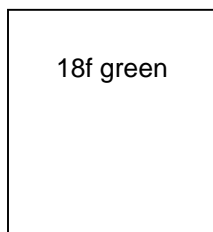
Japanese Puppet State of
MANCHUKUO

1936 - 1937

Air Post Stamps – Airplane designs

watermark #242 , perf 13 x 13½ , engraved, granite paper

The script reads “Japan’s Progress
ins Manchukuo’s Progress.”



C1



C2



C3



C4

1936 - 37

Definitive stamps featuring Scenes of Manchukuo

perf 13 x 13½, engraved, watermark #242



83
New State Council
Building



84
New State Council
Building



85
New State Council
Building



86
Carting soybeans



87
New State Council
Building



88
North Mausoleum at
Mukden



89
New State Council
Building



90
Carting soybeans



91
North Mausoleum at
Mukden



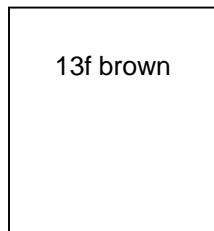
92
North Mausoleum at
Mukden



93
Summer Palace at
Chengteh



94
North Mausoleum at
Mukden



95
North Mausoleum at
Mukden



96
North Mausoleum at
Mukden



97
Carting soybeans



98
Summer Palace at
Chengteh



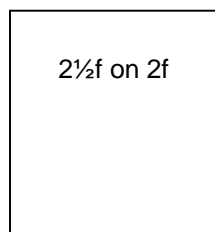
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Carting soybeans



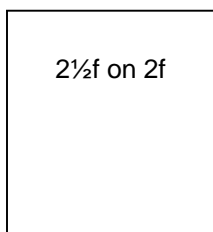
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Summer Palace at
Chengteh

Japanese Puppet State of
MANCHUKUO

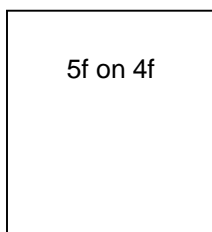
1937, Apr 1
Definitive stamps of Manchukuo surcharged in black



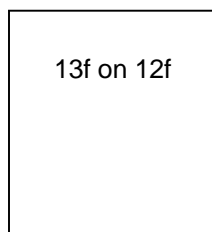
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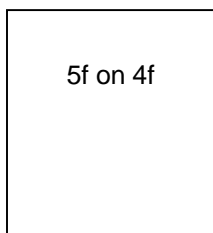


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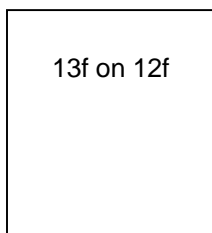
On Apr 1st, 1937 postal rates changed, to coincide with rate changes in Japan. Definitive stamps were surcharged until new stamps could be issued.



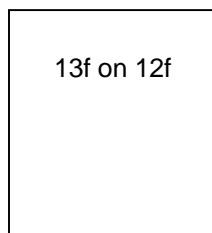
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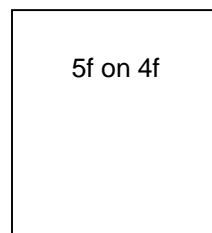
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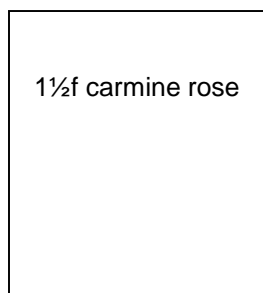


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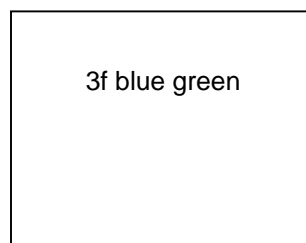


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1937, Mar 1
Commemorating the 5th anniversary of the founding of Manchukuo
unwatermarked, perf 12½, litho



110
Sun rising over Manchuria



111
Manchurian City

Introduced due to the change of postal rates to China. The stamps did not include the name "Manchukuo" on the stamp

1937
Surcharges to China mail
watermark 242, perf 13x13 ½, litho, granite paper



112



113 (perf and imperf)



114

1937, Mar 1

Completion of the 5 Year Plan for Re-Building Hsinking, the Capital

unwatermarked, perf 12 x 12½, litho

2f dark violet

4f rose carmine

10k dark green

20f dark blue

116
Pouter pigeon

117
Pouter pigeon

118
National Flag and Buildings

119
National Flag and Buildings

1937, Dec 1

Celebration of the Abolition of Japanese Extraterritorial Rights in Manchukuo Issues

unwatermarked, perf 12 x 12½, 13, litho



121
Map of Manchukuo



122
Japanese Resident's Association Building



123
Japanese Resident's Association Building



124
Postal Administration Building



125
Postal Administration Building



126
Department of Justice Building

On 1 Dec, 1937, Manchukuo assumed control of civil government functions such as police, education, industrial production, postal services, taxes, and the judicial system. Japanese citizens now were subject to Manchukuo laws.

Japan still maintained control over the military and the Emperor Kang-teh.

1937, Dec 15**Special Issue for New Years Greeting**

unwatermarked, perf 12 x 12½, engraved



127

1938, Oct 15**Commemoration of the founding of Red Cross in Manchukuo**

watermark 242, perf 13, litho



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129

1939, Oct 21**Celebration of the Completion of 10,000km of Railways in Manchukuo**

watermark 242, perf 13, litho



130

*Railway network in
Manchukuo*

131

*Express Train "Asia"***1939, Oct 21****Celebration of the 2nd visit of Emperor Kang-Teh to Emperor Hirohito in Japan****Stork flying above the mast of the Imperial Flagship design**

unwatermarked, perf 13, photo



132



133

1940, Sept 10

Promoting the First National Census in Manchukuo which started on Oct 1, 1940
watermark 242, perf 13, litho



134
*Census Taker and
Map of Manchukuo*



135
Census Form

1940, Sept 18

Commemorating the 2600th Anniversary of the Japanese Empire
watermark 242, perf 13, engraved



136
*Message of Congratulations
from Premier Chang Ching-hui*



137
Dragon Dance

1941, May 25

Promoting the National Conscription Law effective Jun 1, 1941
unwatermarked, perf 13, photo



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139

1942, Feb 16

The Fall of Singapore
Stamps of 1936-7 overprinted in red or blue
watermark #242, perf 13 x 13½



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141

Singapore fell to the Japanese on 15 Feb, 1942. The inscription reads "Return of Singapore to East Asia, 9th year of Kang Teh."

Japanese Puppet State of
MANCHUKUO

1942, Mar 1

Commemorating the 10th anniversary of the founding of Manchukuo

watermark #242, perf 12 x 12½, 12½ x 12, engraved, granite paper



142
Kengoku Shrine



143
Kengoku Shrine



144
Map of Manchukuo



145
Flag of Manchukuo

Manchukuo was officially founded on 1 March, 1932.

The Japanese formally recognized the Manchukuo on Sept 15, 1942.

Over time, only 23 of the 80 nations in existence recognized Manchukuo. Including Germany, Italy, Vichy France, the Soviet Union, Spain, El Salvador and the Dominican Republic.

1942, Sept 15

Commemorating the 10th anniversary of Manchukuo

watermark #242, perf 12 x 12½, 12½ x 12, engraved, granite paper



146
Allegory of National Harmony



147
Women of Five Races Dancing

1942, Dec 8

First Anniversary of the “Greater East” War

watermark #242 , perf 13 x 13½ , litho

The overprint reads “Asiatic Prosperity Began This Day December 8, 1941.” This was the day that the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor.



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149

1943, May 1

Proclamation of the Labor Service Law

watermark #242, perf 13 x 13½ , litho

The Compulsory Labor Service Law was a law to conscript civilian men between 21 and 23 to work in industries where labor shortages existed. (e.g. steelmaking). The conscription lasted for 12 months.



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151

1943, Oct 1

5th Anniversary of the founding of the Manchukuo Red Cross

watermark #242, perf 13 x 13½ , photo



152
Red Cross Nurse
Carrying a Stretcher

1943, Dec 8

2nd Anniversary of the “Great Eastern War”

unwatermarked, perf 13 x 13½ , photo



153
Smelting Furnace

1944, Oct

Friendship with Japan

watermark #242 , perf 13 x 13½ , litho

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154
Chinese Characters



155
Japanese Characters



156
Chinese Characters



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Japanese Characters



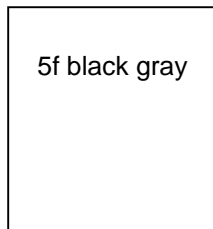
After the war, many Manchuko stamps were locally overprinted by various North China cities. This one is from Chang Chun, issued Sept 18, 1945.

The top four characters read 中華郵政 Chinese Post, left 暫用 Temporary Use, right 北東 North East.

1944 - 1945

Definitive stamps featuring Scenes of Manchukuo

watermark #242 , perf 13 x 13½ , litho



5f black gray

158
Mount Changbai



159
Carting Soybeans



160
Summer Palace at
Chengteh



161
Carting Soybeans



1945
162
Summer Palace at
Chengteh



163
Summer Palace at
Chengteh

1945, May 2

10th Anniversary of the Imperial Edict

watermark #242 , perf 13 x 13½ , litho



164 (imperf)

The script reads "One Heart, One Soul."

The Emperor's Edict (or Rescript) was an important proclamation made which set forth how the Empire would be governed.

On Aug 8th , 1945 Soviet troops invaded Manchukuo, and Manchukuo ceased to exist. In 1946 Soviet troops withdrew and Manchuria was returned to China.