

Hungarian Stamps 2009

CHRISTMAS 2009



Magyar Posta traditionally celebrates the Christmas holiday by issuing postage stamps. In 2009 two stamps with entirely different styles will be available in post offices to pay the postage for mail sending Christmas wishes with befitting stamps.

The HUF 75 stamp shows a devotional image, the painting Our Lady of the Way by Masa Feszty, based on a photograph by József Hajdú. On the HUF 100 stamp there is a playful graphic design reflecting the spirit of Christmas. The graphic design of the first day cover and postmarks complement the stamps.

	HUF 75 stamp	HUF 100 stamp
Order code:	2009270010031 (stamp) 2009270060032 (FDC)	2009280010031 (stamp) 2009280060032 (FDC)
Date of issue:	15 October 2009	
Printed by	Pénzjegynyomda	Állami Nyomda
Designed by	Barnabás Baticz	Imre Benedek
Perforated size:	25 x 30 mm, 100 stamps/sheet	33 x 26 mm, 100 stamps/sheet
Number of copies:	In accordance with demand	

CHRISTMAS POSTMARKS



During the weeks of advent Magyar Posta offers a special postmarking opportunity for senders of Christmas and New Year greetings.

The service is available at all post offices. The Karácsonyi Posta (Christmas Post) label must be bought and affixed to letters and postcards. The mail is then taken to the post office in Nagykarácsony (meaning Christmas in Hungarian) where it is cancelled using a different special postmark for each week of Advent, not in the usual black ink but in green ink. Through this small gesture of caring the addressees can feel the love and respect expressed towards them.

The Christmas postmarks to be used between 29 November and 26 December 2009 were designed by the graphic designer Barnabás Baticz.

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