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PHILATELIC PROGRAMME 2017

Code 17200

BLOCKS Series

PRICE OF THE SET: 6,40€



## MONACO EXPLORATIONS

On 4 April, H.S.H. Prince Albert II launched the 2017–2020 Monaco Explorations initiative, reviving, after a gap of 120 years, the maritime scientific explorations pioneered by His great-great-grandfather Prince Albert I. The *Yersin*, an environmental research vessel which sails under a Monegasque flag, will depart next August from the Port of Monaco. It will follow a longitudinal route between the Tropics, completing a circumnavigation of the globe over a period of three years. The initiative will be based on the recommendations of a Scientific Guidance Committee made up of 10 internationally renowned scientists. Science will therefore be the foundation of the project, complemented by awareness-raising, communication and media activities.

> Issue on 21 August 2017

FDC big size

3,00€ (0,85x2+1,30€)

Code 17202

Design: Thierry MORDANT

Printing process: Heliogravure

Size of the block: 120x100 mm

Size of the stamps: 40,85x30 mm

Quantity of issue: 40 000

## THE FORBIDDEN CITY IN MONACO

The major exhibition event of the summer at the Grimaldi Forum will be devoted to "The Forbidden City in Monaco: Imperial Court Life in China". From 14 July to 10 September, the Forbidden City, the hub of political decision-making as well as a centre of culture and religion, will provide a showcase for a vast historical panorama presented via more than 250 works, mostly from the Museum of the Forbidden City. Works of calligraphy, paintings, ceramics, furniture, jade and liturgical objects will illustrate the refinement of traditional Chinese culture. This culture was to reach its peak under the emperors of the last feudal dynasty, the Qing – the period on which the exhibition focuses – which reigned from 1644 to 1911, the year the Republic of China was established.

> Issue on 13 July 2017

FDC big size

3,40€

Code 17204

Design: ©Hung Chung Chih

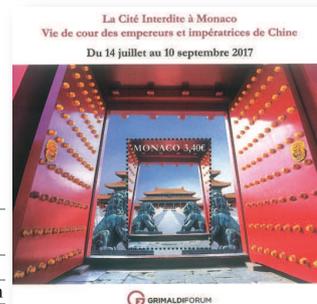
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Printing process: Heliogravure

Size of the block: 115x115 mm

Size of the stamp: 30x40 mm

Quantity of issue: 40 000



Code 17210

AS MONACO Series

→ Sheets of 10 postage-stamps with illuminations

## AS MONACO

Following an exceptional season, the Monaco Football Club AS, chaired by Dmitri Rybolovlev, won its eighth French League 1 title, seventeen years after its last coronation. Under Leonardo Jardim's leadership, the Club seduced by its game's quality and the presence of spectacular players. Performance is historical : 95 points and 97 goals scored, i.e. for each of them the 2nd and 3rd best results of the League 1 history.

> Issue on 18 September 2017

FDC small size



0,85€

Code 17210

Design: © AS Monaco Football Club

Printing process: Offset

Size of the stamp: 40,85x30 mm

Quantity of issue: 50 000

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Code 17220

## ANCIENT GRIMALDI STRONGHOLDS Series

→ Sheets of 10 postage-stamps with illuminations



### DURAS

On 4 July, H.S.H. Prince Albert II trod the path of his Duras ancestors as he paid a visit to the Castle of the Dukes. The Grimaldis share a common ancestry with the Durfort family, who owned the castle for nearly 500 years. The first wife of Emmanuel Félicité, Duke of Duras, was Charlotte-Antoinette, a descendant of Hortense Mancini, the niece of Cardinal Mazarin. From this union was born Louise-Jeanne de Durfort, Duchess of Mazarin, who passed her titles on to her daughter, Louise d'Aumont. The latter would go on to become a princess of Monaco when she married Prince Honoré IV in 1771.

➤ Issue on 4 July 2017 / FDC small size

Design and Line-engraving: Sophie BEAUJARD  
 Printing process: 4 colours Steel-engraving  
 Size of the stamp: 40 x 31,77 mm  
 Quantity of issue: 50 000

1,70€

Code 17222

PRICE OF THE SET: 3,90€



### MARSHAL OF MATIGNON

Jacques II de Goyon, the lord of Matignon, was Marshal of France and Mayor of Bordeaux from 1585 to 1597, a position he inherited from his friend Michel de Montaigne. One of his descendants, Jacques Goyon de Matignon, Count of Torigni, became a prince of Monaco under the title Jacques I after his marriage to Louise-Hippolyte of Monaco in 1715. H.S.H. Prince Albert II travelled to Bordeaux on 5 July.

➤ Issue on 4 July 2017 / FDC small size

Design and line-engraving: Sophie BEAUJARD  
 Printing process: 4 colours Steel-engraving  
 Size of the stamp: 40 x 31,77 mm  
 Quantity of issue: 50 000

2,20€

Code 17224

Code 17230

## OPERA SINGERS Series

→ Sheets of 6 postage-stamps with illuminations

### TITTA RUFFO

Titta Ruffo (1877–1953) was an Italian baritone who performed at the Monte-Carlo Opera on many occasions. His first performance on the Monegasque stage was in Rossini's *The Barber of Seville* in 1907. He played Figaro, one of his signature roles. Blessed with a voice of exceptional power, he sang at the official opening of the Oceanographic Museum in Monaco from a raft in the middle of the harbour.

➤ Issue on 21 June 2017 / FDC small size



Design and line-engraving: Elsa CATELIN  
 Printing process: 3 colours Steel-engraving  
 Size of the stamp: 52 x 40,85 mm  
 Quantity of issue: 42 000

Code 17232 2,60€

PRICE OF THE SET: 5,44€



### EMMA CALVÉ

Emma Calvé (1858–1942), a tremendous soprano, was a star before the age of stardom. She won fame in particular through the title role in Georges Bizet's *Carmen*, which she performed more than a thousand times during her career. Adored throughout the world, she sang on the stage of the Monte-Carlo Opera several times.

➤ Issue on 21 June 2017 / FDC small size

Design: Cyril DE LA PATELLIERE  
 Line-engraving: Pierre ALBUISSON  
 Printing process: 4 colours Steel-engraving  
 Size of the stamp: 40,85 x 52 mm  
 Quantity of issue: 42 000

Code 17234 2,84€

Code 17240

→ Sheets of 10 postage-stamps with illuminations



### ECOUTE CANCER RÉCONFORT CELEBRATES 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Established in 1992 with H.S.H. Princess Stéphanie as Honorary President, the charity Ecoute Cancer Réconfort set itself the goal of offering assistance and comfort to those who are or have been affected by cancer. Meeting this goal involves offering a listening service to outpatients at Princess Grace Hospital, provided by a team of support volunteers, maintaining a rich community life, and getting involved in one-off activities to help in the fight against cancer. In 2009, the charity opened "L'espace Mieux-Etre", a wellness centre where cancer patients can meet each other, find a sympathetic ear and take part in activities designed to promote wellbeing.

➤ Issue on 24 July 2017 / FDC small size

Design: CRÉAPHIL  
 Printing process: Offset  
 Size of the stamp: 40,85 x 30 mm  
 Quantity of issue: 50 000

Code 17242

0,71€



### 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF PEACE AND SPORT

Founded in 2007 by modern pentathlon Olympic medalist and world champion Joël Bouzou, Peace and Sport is a neutral and independent worldwide organization that is operational in using sport and its values as an instrument for peace. In 10 years, its actions have shown in a tangible way, the federating, educational and social impact of sport. The success in the field has made political leaders and governments aware of how sport can be a genuine and effective mechanism for peace.

➤ Issue on 9 May 2017 / FDC small size

Design: © Peace and Sport  
 Printing process: Offset  
 Format du timbres : 30 x 40,85 mm  
 Quantity of issue: 50 000

0,85€

Code 17246

Code 17250

→ Sheets of 10 postage-stamps with illuminations



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## COMMEMORATIONS Series

PRICE OF THE SET: 3,83€



### CENTENARY OF LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

Established in 1917 by Melvin Jones, Lions Clubs International is the world's largest organisation of philanthropy clubs, counting over 1,360,000 members in more than 46,000 clubs. LIONS is an acronym which stands for "Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nations' Safety". Lions Clubs organise fundraising activities and encourage volunteering in aid of social initiatives, including support for medical research, assistance for the most vulnerable in society, building schools, libraries, health clinics and water points in developing countries, and raising awareness about environmental protection.

> Issue on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017 / FDC small size

Mise en page : CRÉAPHIL

Printing process: Offset

Size of the stamp: 40,85 x 30 mm

Quantity of issue: 50 000

Code 17244 0,85€



### 25<sup>TH</sup> PRINCE ALBERT II CHALLENGE

Organised by the Monegasque Fencing Federation, the Prince Albert II Challenge is an international fencing tournament for girls and boys aged under 17. The twenty-fifth challenge took place on 3 and 4 June at the Louis II Stadium.

> Issue on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017 / FDC small size

Design: Alain GIAMPAOLI

Line-engraving: Pierre BARA

Printing process: Steel-engraving and Offset

Size of the stamp: 30 x 40,85 mm

Quantity of issue: 50 000

Code 17248 1,42€

## CHRISTMAS Series

### CHRISTMAS 2017

This depiction of the Nativity is inspired by a François Guglielmi painting kept in the chapel of the Prince's Palace in Monaco.

> Issue on 3 November 2017 / FDC small size

Design and line-engraving : Martin MÖRCK  
From a painting of François Guglielmi

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Printing process: Steel-engraving and Offset

Size of the stamp: 30 x 40,85 mm

Quantity of issue: 60 000

0,85€

Code 17250

## Code 17260

Sheets of 10 postage-stamps with illuminations



### GRANDE BOURSE

An unmissable gathering of coin, medal, stamp and postcard dealers and collectors, the 25th Grande Bourse will be held on Sunday 3 December at the Hotel Méridien Beach Plaza.

> Issue on 21 August 2017 / FDC small size

Design: Patrick VAN KLAVEREN

Printing process: Offset

Size of the stamp: 30 x 40,85 mm

Quantity of issue: 50 000

Code 17262 0,71€



### HERCULIS

Chaired by H.S.H. Prince Albert II, the Monegasque Athletics Federation has organised the Herculis meeting at the Louis II Stadium since 1987. Every year, the Federation strives to offer a high-quality sporting event in a friendly atmosphere. Since it became part of the IAAF Diamond League in 2010, the meeting has consistently been considered as part of the international elite series, and was voted the best meeting in the world in 2011 and 2014. Herculis 2017 will be held on 21 July.

> Issue on 4 July 2017 / FDC small size

Design: © Fédération Monegasque d'Athlétisme

Printing process: Offset

Size of the stamp: 30 x 40,85 mm

Quantity of issue: 50 000

Code 17266 0,85€

## Code 17270

Sheets of 10 postage-stamps with illuminations



### EUROPA 2017

This year, the theme of the Europa best stamp competition is "old toys". The stamp features a beautiful design of the Prince's Palace which has been the stronghold and home of the lords and princes of Monaco since 1297.

> Issue on 9 May 2017 / FDC small size

Design: Stefano MORRI

Printing process: Offset

Size of the stamp: 30 x 40,85 mm

Quantity of issue: 50 000

Code 17270

1,10€

## EVENTS Series

PRICE OF THE SET: 3,71€



### MONACOPHIL 2017

The next MonacoPhil event will be held from 30 November to 2 December 2017. This international philatelic event has three components: a trade exhibition at the Espace Léo Ferré, bringing together international traders and postal administrations, an exhibition of 100 stamps and symbolic documents at the Museum of Philately and Coinage and, finally, at the Top Cars Collection museum, an exhibition dedicated to the stamps of North and South America and another about the king of stamp collectors, Ferrari de La Renotière.

> Issue on 24 July 2017 / FDC small size

Design: CRÉAPHIL

Printing process: Offset

Size of the stamp: 30 x 40,85 mm

Quantity of issue: 50 000

Code 17264

0,85€



### ASTANA 2017

Focusing on the theme of the Exhibition ASTANA 2017, "Energy of the Future," the Principality wished to highlight the environmental approach, especially in terms of energy. The theme of the pavilion, "REFLECTING THE FUTURE", centres on the theme of Monaco's reflection in the Mediterranean Sea and reflection on the duality between Man and Nature. The shape, design and content are closely linked to the wish to highlight issues related to energy transition and the Principality's good environmental practices. The Exhibition will be held from 10 June to 10 September 2017.

> Issue on 16 May 2017 / FDC small size

Design: Simmetrico

Printing process: Offset

Size of the stamp: 30 x 40,85 mm

Quantity of issue: 50 000

Code 17268

1,30€

## EUROPA Series



Code 17280

ARTS Series

Sheets of 10 postage-stamps with illuminations

PRICE OF THE SET: 5,12€



Code 17282

0,71€

### AUDIOVISUAL ARCHIVES OF MONACO

Created in 1997, the Audiovisual Archives of Monaco Association aims to record, collect, restore, protect, conserve, disseminate and showcase all of the sounds, images and audiovisual documents, professional or amateur, relating to the Principality of Monaco. The technical equipment available to the Audiovisual Archives allows the Principality's audiovisual heritage to be disseminated under the brand "Monaco on film". Since 2004, the association has been engaged in an initiative to promote film art and culture by organising an annual series of screenings known as "Cinema Tuesdays".

Issue on 24 July 2017 / FDC small size

Design: Archives Audiovisuelles de Monaco

Printing process: Offset

Size of the stamp: 38 x 38 mm

Quantity of issue: 50 000

### SEPAC – CRAFTSMANSHIP

Ever conscious of its artistic influence, Monaco opened its own ceramics studio in 1874. The Principality's first pottery offered an extensive and varied range. After it closed down in 1884, Prince Albert I opened Monaco's second pottery in 1907. This one ceased operating in 1914. A few studios continue to produce ceramics to this day, carrying on the tradition of Monegasque art pottery.

Issue on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017 / FDC small size

Design: Joël TCHOBANIAN

Printing process: Offset

Size of the stamp: 40,85 x 30 mm

Quantity of issue: 50 000



Code 17284

0,71€

Design: Guéorgui CHICHKINE

Line-engraving: Pierre ALBUISSON

Printing process: 2 colours Steel-engraving

Size of the stamp: 40 x 31,77 mm

Quantity of issue: 50 000

### ARMAND LUNEL

A French writer who was born in 1892 in Aix-en-Provence and died in 1977 in Monaco, Armand Lunel passed the philosophy high-level competitive examination for teachers in 1924. He was appointed as a teacher at the Lycée in Monaco in 1920, where he spent his entire career. He emerged on the literary scene in 1924 and won the Renaudot prize in 1926 for his novel *Nicolo-Peccavi ou l'Affaire Dreyfus à Carpentras* (*Nicolo-Peccavi or the Dreyfus Affair in Carpentras*). Lunel was mobilised in 1939 and discharged by the Vichy government in 1940. It was thanks to the personal protection of Prince Louis II that the family of Armand Lunel and several other Jewish families living in the Principality managed to escape being rounded up and deported.

Issue on 18 September 2017 / FDC small size

Design and line-engraving: Claude ANDREOTTO

Printing process: 3 colours Steel-engraving

Size of the stamp: 40 x 31,77 mm

Quantity of issue: 50 000



Code 17286

1,10€

### 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ARTURO TOSCANINI'S BIRTH

Arturo Toscanini (1867–1957) was an Italian conductor considered by his contemporaries and the public to be one of the greatest of his era. He made his debut at the age of 19 and worked with the world's most prestigious operas, including La Scala in Milan and the Metropolitan Opera in New York. He conducted the New Year concert at the Monte-Carlo Opera in 1935. His public life, with an emphasis on freedom and democracy, stood in contrast with the despotism and intransigent perfectionism to which he subjected his musicians.

Issue on 21 June 2017 / FDC small size



Code 17288

2,60€

Code 17290

FAUNA AND FLORA series

Sheets of 10 postage-stamps with illuminations

PRICE OF THE SET: 5,78€

### SAINT-MARTIN GARDENS

The jardins Saint-Martin (Saint Martin's Gardens) were the first public gardens to be created in Monaco. They were set out in the reign of Prince Honoré V, and cling to the south-eastern face of the Rock. They offer some lovely walks embellished with bronze sculpture along winding paths through the lush Mediterranean flora.

Issue on 16 May 2017  
FDC small size



Code 17292

0,73€

Design: Jean-Paul VERET-LEMARINIER

Printing process: Offset

Size of the stamp: 40,85 x 30 mm

Quantity of issue: 40 000

### NATIONAL SPECIES THE RED CORAL

Mineral by its skeleton, vegetable by appearance, but truthfully an animal, red coral, *Corallium rubrum*, has fascinated mankind since the prehistoric era. Essentially an endemic species to the Mediterranean, its magical and medicinal properties feature in many legends. The red coral lives affixed on substratum rocks from 5 m deep, but it can be most often found in depths ranging from 30 to 400 m. Over time, it grew very appreciated as a commercial commodity, notably for its use in jewellery. It is a species whose fishing is regulated.

Issue on 2 May 2017  
FDC small size common with the stamp "red coral"

Code 17294

0,05€

Design: Noëlle LE GUILLOUZIC

Printing process: Offset

Size of the stamp: 40,85 x 30 mm

Quantity of issue: 220 000



### NATIONAL SPECIES THE THICK-ROOTED CAMPANULA

Perennial plant 10 to 30 cm tall, the thick-rooted bellflower, *Campanula macrorhiza*, grows on rocks in the south-east of France, but also in Spain, Italy and in Algeria. It can be found in Monaco on the rocky walls of the Rampe Major.

Issue on 2 May 2017  
FDC small size common with the stamp "campanula"



5,00€

Code 17296

Design: Noëlle LE GUILLOUZIC

Printing process: Offset

Size of the stamp: 30 x 40,85 mm

Quantity of issue: 120 000

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