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## Celebrating the UK rail trailblazers

When *Locomotion* No. 1 pulled out of Shildon in County Durham on 27 September 1825, it was embarking on a journey that would change the world. As the first steam locomotive to haul a passenger-carrying train on a public railway, it was blazing a trail for a new era of travel that would transform transport forever.

Two hundred years since that historic milestone, this new set of stamps and souvenirs celebrates the bicentenary of a pioneering steam locomotive and the role of the UK railways in keeping goods and people moving.

Six new stamps combine photography and illustration to capture majestic steam machines such as the iconic Stephenson's *Rocket* and the groundbreaking *Locomotion* No. 1. The Miniature Sheet's four stamps chart the history of the Stockton & Darlington Railway Company which cemented George Stephenson's reputation as the pre-eminent railway engineer of his time. You'll discover limited-edition Coin Covers and collectibles featuring fascinating stories and archive images.

So, climb aboard for an exhilarating steam-powered journey through the history of UK railways.

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### ① Mint Stamp Set | AS13700 £10.20

- Six Special Stamps showcase the origins and evolution of British locomotives across two centuries.
- Evocative photography and elegant illustrations bring to life the iconic steam machines that powered the Industrial Revolution.
- A commemorative collection celebrating the 200th anniversary of the opening of the Stockton & Darlington Railway.
- Six First Class landscape stamps presented as vertical se-tenant pairs.

**Locomotion No. 1** opened the first steam-powered public railway, 1825  
**Mallard** became the fastest steam locomotive ever, 1938  
**Rocket** won the Rainhill Trials, helping launch the railway age, 1829  
**Duchess of Hamilton** attended the New York World's Fair, 1939  
**City of Truro** was unofficially timed at 100mph, 1904  
**Evening Star** was the last steam locomotive built for BR, 1960

### It's all in the details

**Stamp format** Landscape  
**Stamp size** 60mm x 30mm  
**Number per sheet** 30/60  
**Design** Steers McGillan Eves  
**Printer** Cartor Security Printers  
**Print process** Lithography  
**Perforations** 14.5 x 14.5  
**Phosphor** Bars as appropriate  
**Gum** PVA

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### ② Miniature Sheet | MZ214 £6.80

- A commemorative collectible honouring the 200th anniversary of the Stockton & Darlington Railway.
- The Miniature Sheet's four First Class stamps capture milestone events in the history of the S&DR, including the moment on 27 September 1825 when *Locomotion* No. 1 completed the first journey from Shildon to Stockton.
- The stamps are set against a sepia-coloured backdrop featuring the issue's title in typography taken from an S&DR share certificate and an illustration of rolling stock on the Stockton & Darlington Railway.

Opening of the S&DR, 1825  
 Locomotion No. 1 at Darlington, c.1890  
 Centenary of the S&DR, 1925  
 Replica *Locomotion* No. 1, 1975

### It's all in the details

**Stamp format** Landscape  
**Stamp size** 41mm x 30mm  
**Miniature Sheet size** 192mm x 74mm  
**Design** Steers McGillan Eves  
**Printer** Cartor Security Printers  
**Print process** Lithography  
**Phosphor** Bars as appropriate  
**Gum** PVA





### ③ First Day Cover | AF538 £12.90

- A unique, time-limited commemorative collectible personalised with the name and address of your choice.
- The six Steam Locomotives stamps are cancelled with your preferred special-edition postmark on the first day of issue, 25 September 2025.
- The stamps celebrate 200 years of the Stockton & Darlington Railway and George Stephenson's *Locomotion* No. 1 – the first steam locomotive to haul a passenger-carrying train.
- Your First Day Envelope includes an information card including an overview of this issue.

Only  
available until  
25 September  
2025

### ④ Stamp Souvenir | AW300 £12.90

- A non-personalised version of the Steam Locomotives First Day Cover featuring all six new stamps cancelled with the alternative Darlington postmark.
- The First Day Envelope includes the issue's information card.
- On sale until 25 September 2026.

### ⑤ First Day Cover Envelope | AE494 £0.30

- Your First Day Envelope includes the issue's title in the style of a steam engine nameplate alongside an image of a locomotive chimney.
- It includes the information card with an overview of the theme and specifications of the stamps.

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### ⑥ First Day Cover Miniature Sheet | MF204 £8.80

- The Stockton & Darlington Railway Company Miniature Sheet on an envelope personalised with the name and address of your choice.
- The four stamps depicting key moments in the history of S&DR are cancelled with your preferred special-edition postmark on the first day of issue, 25 September 2025.
- Included is the information card containing details of the stamp issue.

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available until  
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### Choose your postmark

The Tallents House postmark features a Train Signal. The alternative postmark features *Locomotion* No. 1. There is also an alternative, non-pictorial, postmark featuring the location of Darlington.



### ⑦ Stamp Sheet Souvenir | AW301 £8.80

- A non-personalised First Day Cover Miniature Sheet cancelled with the alternative Darlington postmark on a First Day Envelope containing the information card.
- On sale until 25 September 2026.



# 8 Presentation Pack | AP558 £17.90

- A beautifully presented commemorative collectible celebrating the 200th anniversary of the opening of the Stockton & Darlington Railway.
- The six First Class stamps celebrate British steam locomotives and the development of UK railways.
- The Miniature Sheet's four stamps honour the Stockton & Darlington Railway Company's pioneering role in the transport transformation that underpinned the Industrial Revolution.
- A superb souvenir packed full of rich imagery and fascinating facts that will appeal to stamp collectors and railway enthusiasts.



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# 9 Brilliant Uncirculated Coin Cover | AN268 £19.99

- This unique limited-edition souvenir commemorates the history and significance of British steam locomotives.
- The Miniature Sheet's four stamps appear above The Royal Mint's new £2 Brilliant Uncirculated coin featuring *Locomotion* No. 1.
- The coin image includes the words "The journey that changed the world", in honour of *Locomotion* No. 1's first trip.
- The stamps are cancelled with a special-edition postmark on an individually numbered cover.
- Stories and images honour 200 years of steam-powered rail.
- A high-quality commemorative souvenir limited to 10,000 individually numbered editions.

Special-edition  
postmark



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# 10 Silver Proof Coin Cover | AN269 £87.00

- A stunning Silver Proof Coin Cover issued in partnership with The Royal Mint.
- The commemorative £2 coin is struck from sterling silver using specially polished dies to achieve an exceptionally detailed and high-quality finish.
- The Miniature Sheet is cancelled with a special-edition postmark on an individually numbered cover.
- Stories and images bring to the life the origins and history of steam locomotives.
- A limited edition of just 750 individually numbered souvenirs.

# 11 Gold Proof Coin Cover | AN270 £1,770.00

- A superior souvenir commemorating the 200th anniversaries of the Stockton & Darlington Railway and *Locomotion* No. 1's first journey.
- The Royal Mint's new £2 coin has been struck to a flawless Gold Proof finish using high-quality hand-finished dies to remove imperfections and create a stunning sharpness of detail.
- The coin is set beneath the Miniature Sheet cancelled with the special-edition postmark.
- This remarkable collectible keepsake is packed with expert insights and evocative imagery.
- A limited edition of only 50 individually numbered souvenirs.

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Limited  
to 50  
individually  
numbered  
editions



**12 Framed Stamps and Miniature Sheet | N3406 £44.99**

- A fantastic framed collectible showcasing every stamp from the Steam Locomotives issue celebrating the birth of the British railway system.
- The six stamps from the main issue appear above the Miniature Sheet.
- Both sets are mounted in a premium black frame beneath the issue's title in the style of a steam engine nameplate.
- Dimensions: 28.9 x 34cm
- A superb souvenir for collectors and rail enthusiasts to treasure and display.



**13 Set of 11 Postcards | AQ374 £4.95**

- A set of 11 postcards featuring enlarged reproductions of the Steam Locomotives issue's six main stamps, the Miniature Sheet's four stamps plus the composite Miniature Sheet.
- Perfect for collecting, framing or sending.



**14 Press Sheet | PZ089 £81.60**

- An exceptional, highly collectible keepsake, direct from the printing press.
- A limited edition of just 200 individually numbered souvenirs, each containing 12 Steam Locomotives Miniature Sheets.

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to 200  
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**15 Full First Class Sheet | AS13700AFS £102.00**

- A Full Sheet containing 60 First Class Steam Locomotives stamps featuring *Locomotion* No. 1.

**16 Half First Class Sheet | AS13700AHS £51.00**

- A Half Sheet containing 30 First Class Steam Locomotives stamps featuring *Locomotion* No. 1.

**17 Full First Class Sheet | AS13700BFS £102.00**

- A Full Sheet containing 60 First Class Steam Locomotives stamps featuring Robert Stephenson's *Rocket*.

**18 Half First Class Sheet | AS13700BHS £51.00**

- A Half Sheet containing 30 First Class Steam Locomotives stamps featuring Robert Stephenson's *Rocket*.

**19 Full First Class Sheet | AS13700CFS £102.00**

- A Full Sheet containing 60 First Class Steam Locomotives stamps featuring the *City of Truro*.

**20 Half First Class Sheet | AS13700CHS £51.00**

- A Half Sheet containing 30 First Class Steam Locomotives stamps featuring the *City of Truro*.





2025 October Tariff



It's all in the details

**Stamp format** Definitive barcoded

**Stamp size** 39mm x 30mm

**Printer** Cartor Security Printers

**Print process** Gravure

**Perforations** 15 x 14.5

**Phosphor Bars** as appropriate

**Gum** Self-adhesive

- 21 **October Tariff Definitive Stamp | DS2200 £3.40**
- A new definitive stamp representing the new international postage rate for letters up to 100g, introduced by Royal Mail, effective from 6 October 2025.
  - Printed in Dark Green.
  - The King's effigy appears with a 2D barcode printed in matching colour alongside the main body of the stamp, separated by a simulated perforation line.



- 22 **October Tariff First Day Cover | DF080 £4.75**
- The new £3.40 definitive postage stamp affixed to the Winged Horse envelope used for the King Charles III definitive issues.
  - The cover can be personalised with the name and address of your choice and the stamp can be cancelled with one of two postmarks – the Tallents House postmark, or the alternative postmark, with a location of Windsor.

10 See the full range online at [royalmail.com/definitives](https://royalmail.com/definitives)



- 23 **October Tariff Presentation Pack | DP083 £4.30**
- A single £3.40 definitive stamp representing the new international postage rate for letters up to 100g, introduced by Royal Mail on 6 October 2025.
  - Printed in Dark Green.
  - Presented in a fold-out pack with more information about the King's portrait, which has been used on both stamps and UK coins.
- 24 **October Tariff Definitive First Day Envelope | DE059 £0.30**
- Your First Day Envelope is the Winged Horse envelope used for the King Charles III definitive issues.
- 25 **October Tariff £3.40 Stamp Sheet | DS2200AFS £85.00**
- A full sheet of 25 x £3.40 definitive stamps, representing the new international postage rate for letters up to 100g, introduced by Royal Mail on 6 October 2025.
  - Printed in Dark Green.

Choose your postmark

The Tallents House and alternative postmarks feature the traditional coat of arms used for definitive stamp issues. The alternative postmark location represents the succession of King Charles in the House of Windsor.

Standard postmark



Alternative postmark



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Orders of First Day Covers, Stamp Souvenirs and Stamp Sheet Souvenirs only, do not attract a P&P charge. <sup>1</sup>					
1	<b>Mint Stamp Set</b>	AS13700	£10.20	£	
2	<b>Miniature Sheet</b>	MZ214	£6.80	£	
3	<b>First Day Cover</b>				
	– Standard postmark	AF538-STD	£12.90	£	
	– Alternative postmark	AF538-ALT	£12.90	£	
4	<b>Stamp Souvenir</b>	AW300	£12.90	£	
5	<b>First Day Cover Envelope</b>	AE494	£0.30	£	
6	<b>First Day Cover Miniature Sheet</b>				
	– Standard postmark	MF204-STD	£8.80	£	
	– Alternative postmark	MF204-ALT	£8.80	£	
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9	<b>Brilliant Uncirculated Coin Cover</b>	AN268	£19.99	£	
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11	<b>Gold Proof Coin Cover</b>	AN270	£1,770.00	£	
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22	<b>October Tariff First Day Cover</b>			£	
	– Standard postmark	DF080-STD	£4.75	£	
	– Alternative postmark	DF080-ALT	£4.75	£	
23	<b>October Tariff Presentation Pack</b>	DP083	£4.30	£	
24	<b>October Tariff Definitive First Day Envelope</b>	DE059	£0.30	£	
25	<b>October Tariff £3.40 Stamp Sheet</b>	DS2200AFS	£85.00	£	

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