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## Happy New Year (2025 - The Year of The Green Wood Snake)

On June 27, 2025 the Ministry of Digital Development and Innovative Technologies of the Kyrgyz Republic puts into circulation a 2024 Kyrgyz Express Post postage stamp: "Year of the Snake".

The Asian New Year, "Chunjie," literally translates as the Spring Festival or Lunar New Year, because it marks the transition of lunar cycles rather than solar ones, as is followed in the Gregorian calendar. The date of the Chinese New Year celebration is always unique, shifting according to the lunar cycle. Traditionally, the Chinese New Year is celebrated on the second new moon after the winter solstice on December 21.

According to the lunar cycle, the Chinese New Year 2025 begins on January 29 and will last until February 16, 2026. This year will be under the sign of the **Green Wood Snake**. The Snake is considered the most enigmatic creature in the Chinese zodiac. It combines exceptionally keen intuition with high intellect, maintaining a balance between rationality and spirituality. According to Chinese beliefs, snakes symbolize wisdom. The Snake is prudent and cautious, capable of turning even difficult situations to its advantage. It does not recognize blind authority, critically evaluates information, and possesses strong diplomatic skills.

By presenting a new postage stamp dedicated to the Year of the Green Wood Snake, KEP continues its tradition of wishing all its clients and friends good health, prosperity, happiness, and peaceful skies above. Happy New Year 2025!

For this stamp, KEP also issues a postcard, which is used to realize a maximum card.

### Stamp description

No. 251, 150 KGS. Year of the Snake







#### **Technical specifications**

Paper: coated, gummed, 105 g/m<sup>2</sup>.

**Printing method**: full-color offset lithography. **Stamp perforation**: comb 13 syncopated.

Stamp size: 34 × 34 mm.

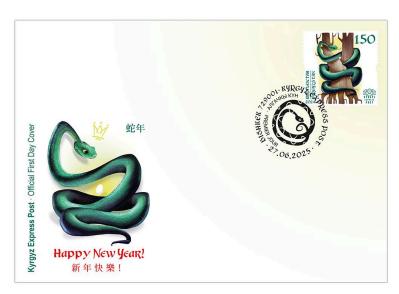
Stamp is issued in minisheets of 5 stamps with one label. On the sheet borders there is a text:

"Happy New Year!" in Kyrgyz, Russian, English and Chinese languages.

Minisheet size: 134 × 100 mm. Quantity issued: 7 500 stamps. Designer: Diana Roşcovan.

Printer House: "Nova Imprim" (Chișinău, Moldova).

A special cancellation on FDC will be carried out at the Bishkek KEP Office (729001) on the stamp issuing day.



The first day cover, postcards and special postmark are designed by Diana Roşcovan.

Cover size: C6 (162 × 114 mm).

Quantity of covers issued: 400 pieces. Quantity of postcards issued: 500 pieces.

Endorsing ink color: black.

