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**THEMATIC PLAN
FOR THE ISSUANCE OF POSTAGE STAMPS, POSTAL PRODUCTS
AND SPECIAL POSTMARKS FOR 2026**

No.	Name of the Theme	Type of Issue	Issue Date
I.	BULGARIA – OUR HOMELAND		
1.1.	Bulgaria in the Eurozone	1 postage stamp	January
1.2.	175th anniversary of the birth of Todor Kableshkov	1 postage stamp	January
1.3.	Bulgarian masquerade games (kukeri)	1 postage stamp with label	February
1.4.	Bulgarian queens	2 postage stamps	March
1.5.	150th anniversary of the April Uprising	1 postage stamp in souvenir sheet	April
1.6.	125th anniversary of the composition of the Hymn to Enlightenment by composer Panayot Pipkov	1 postage stamp	May
1.7.	100th anniversary of the founding of the “Zograf Board of Trustees”	1 postage stamp	May
1.8.	100th anniversary of the founding of the “Varna Summer” International Music Festival	1 postage stamp	June
1.9.	125th anniversary of the birth of Ilia Beshkov	1 postage stamp in souvenir sheet	July
1.10.	75th anniversary of the establishment of the State Archives in Bulgaria	1 postage stamp	October
1.11.	Bulgarian cinema and theatre: 100th anniversary of the birth of Leda Taseva and Georgi Georgiev-Getz	2 postage stamps	October
1.12.	Bulgarian classical music: 125th anniversary of the birth of Dimitar Nenov and 100th anniversary of the birth of Vasil Abadzhiev	2 postage stamps	December
II.	BULGARIA AND THE WORLD		

No.	Name of the Theme	Type of Issue	Issue Date
2.1.	EUROPA 2026 – “70th anniversary of the EUROPA stamp. United in ...”	2 postage stamps, souvenir sheet with 2 postage stamps, and postal stationery envelope with imprinted stamp	May
2.2.	Legends of Hollywood: 125th anniversary of the birth of Marlene Dietrich, 125th anniversary of the birth of Clark Gable, 125th anniversary of the birth of Gary Cooper, and 100th anniversary of the birth of Marilyn Monroe	4 postage stamps	June
2.3.	325th anniversary of the birth of Anders Celsius	1 postage stamp	November
III	FAUNA		
3.1.	Birds of the Bulgarian Black Sea Coast	4 postage stamps and postal stationery envelope with imprinted stamp	October
IV	TRANSPORT		
4.1.	125th anniversary of the first tram and 85th anniversary of the first trolleybus put into service in Sofia	1 postage stamp in souvenir sheet	April
V	SPORT		
5.1.	100 years of Lokomotiv Plovdiv	1 postage stamp in souvenir sheet	April
VI	HOLIDAYS		
6.1.	Christmas	1 postage stamp	November
VII	STAMPS WITH VARIABLE PRINT RUN	up to 15 postage stamps	
VIII	RESERVE		
8.1.	Unplanned themes arising during the year	up to 7 postage stamps and up to 5 postal products	
8.2.	Additional issues, beyond the reserve under item 8.1	up to 15 postage/philatelic issues	

Note: In connection with the Republic of Bulgaria’s accession to the Eurozone as of 1 January 2026, it is necessary to print new Bulgarian postage stamps with variable print run for the performance of the universal postal service, as well as for the “Stamp with Personalized Label” service. For this reason, the issues under item VII, “Stamps with Variable Print Run”, have been increased on a one-off basis from 4 to 15, in line with the needs of the postal operator obliged to provide the universal service.

The release dates of the issues are subject to further specification, on which information will be published in due course pursuant to Article 19 of Ordinance No. 1 on the conditions and procedure for the issuance and release into circulation of postage stamps, postal products and special postmarks, and for the withdrawal of postage stamps from circulation.

Translated from Bulgarian; in the event of any discrepancy, the Bulgarian text shall prevail.