

A British Journey: England The final issue

Technical details

Printer De La Rue Process Gravure Stamp size 35mm square Sheets 30 and 60 Perforation 15 × 14 Phosphor Two bands Gum PVA Gutter pairs Horizontal THE FINAL ISSUE of stamps in the British Journey series, featuring the beautiful scenery and attractive buildings of England, go on sale at Post Office branches and philatelic outlets and Royal Mail Tallents House on 7 February. The stamps were designed by Phelan Barker Design Consultants.

The stamps, all 1st class, will be issued to Post Office branches in sheets of 30. However, sheets of 60 with gutter margins will be available from Post Office philatelic outlets and Royal Mail Tallents House.

FIRST DAY FACILITIES Unstamped Royal Mail FDC envelopes will be available from main Post Office branches and philatelic outlets about a week before 7 February, price 25p. Orders for FDCs with the stamps cancelled by a pictorial first day postmark of Tallents House or Tea Green, Luton must reach Tallents House by the day of issue. Price $f_{,3,94}$ UK/ $f_{,3,36}$ overseas.

Collectors may send stamped covers on the day of issue to: Royal Mail Tallents House, 21 South Gyle Crescent, Edinburgh EH12 9PB (for Tallents House postmark), or to one of Royal Mail's Special Handstamp Centres (Tea Green postmark) marking the outer envelope 'fdo603' (Tallents House), or 'fdo604' (Tea Green). Covers can be posted or handed in at main Post Office branches for the Tea Green postmark. A non-pictorial Tea Green postmark is also available from Special Handstamp Centres; request 'fdo604 NP'.

Details of sponsored handstamps for 7 February will be announced in the *British Postmark Bulletin* – available on subscription from Tallents House $(\pounds_{12.25} \text{ UK/Europe}; \pounds_{24.95} \text{ elsewhere})$. For a sample copy write to: The Editor, British Postmark Bulletin, Royal Mail, 148 Old Street, London ECIV 9HQ. VOLUME 43 DECEMBER 2005

A BRITISH JOURNEY

of stamps in Royal Mail's nationwide journey



MAIL·TA Carding Mill Valley, Shropshire: " This blessed plot OF ISSUF this earth, this

Bay, Yorkshire coast; Buttermere, Lake District: Chipping Campden, Cotswolds; St Boniface Down, Isle of Wight; Chamberlain Square, Birming-





PHILATELIC PRODUCTS A well-illustrated pack (price $f_{(3,50)}$ and stamp cards (30p each) will be available from main Post Office branches and philatelic outlets and Tallents House. It includes some superb photography of, amongst others, Blackpool's North Pier; The Cage, a former hunting lodge in Lyme Park; the Eden Valley; the Peak District National Park; Cambridge; and Anthony Gormley's Angel of the North •