

**Amadeo I, 1870s**

1873, Manila to Madrid, Spain  
 1872, Cavite to Barcelona, Spain

After their introduction in 1871, Céntimos de Escudo stamps were used only very briefly in the Philippines. In 1872, a new issue of five values arrived in Manila and were placed on sale. The stamps show the head of King Amadeo I. Céntimos de Peseta was given as the currency of the stamps issued.



Cover sent from Manila April 30, 1873 to Santiago, Spain. The cover was forwarded to Madrid. The stamps were cancelled by Parilla cancels. Also, the cover was cancelled by a Manila date stamp on the front. The cover received on June 16 in Santiago and five days later in Madrid.

It was franked with five stamps at 12 Céntimos de Peseta. While not indicated, the stamps exact equivalent is 12.5 Céntimos de Peseta. **Highest recorded number of this stamp on a cover.** It was intended for interior use.

Provenance: Geoffrey Lewis



Cover sent in Cavite (Luzon) on August 4, 1872 to Valencia, Spain and afterwards forwarded to Barcelona. The stamps were cancelled by a Parilla cancel. Alongside a "Cavite / Luzon" date stamp was applied.

Routed via Suez, the cover arrived on September 25, 1872 in Barcelona.

It was franked a pair of stamps at 62 Céntimos de Peseta. While not indicated, the stamps exact equivalent is 62.5 Céntimos de Peseta.

Provenance:

Fritz-Walter Lange and Geoffrey Lewis

For each 4 Adarmes or fraction thereof to Spain a rate of 62.5 Céntimos de Peseta was charged. 62.5 Céntimos de Peseta equals 1 Real de Plata Fuerte. The upper cover was franked for single rate, up to 4 Adarmes. The lower one was franked for double rate, 4 to 8 Adarmes. This postage rate applied from December 9, 1858 until November 18, 1884.