

1776 – 1853 POSTAL MARKINGS



Straight Line Red "**FILIPINAS**"
Used Between 1802 - 1839. Measuring 46 mm.

MANILA to GUATEMALA

Via ACAPULCO - CALLO DE LIMA - GUAYAQUIP -
CAPE HORN

Carried by the Real Compañía de Filipinas galleon
"El Rey" (Purísima Concepción).
Per maritime records, left Manila for Cadiz,
January 1803.

Originally rated "3.P." (Reales de Plata),
changed to "4.U." (Reales de Vellon). Corrected
to "6.U." for non Spanish destination rate.

Black "**MANILA**" in Fancy Oval
Used Only in 1820

1820 JUNE 24: MANILA to MEXICO

Via ACAPULCO

Carried by the ship "Aventurero".

Rated with manuscript "4" Reales de Plata
upon arrival in Mexico.

LESS THAN FIVE EXAMPLES KNOWN



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Straight Line Black "**FILIPINAS**"

With Period After "**FILIPINAS**".

Used Between 1821 - 1842. Measuring 48 mm.



Canton 2 de Febrero de 1821.

1821 FEBRUARY 2: CANTON to SAN SEBASTIAN

Via MANILA - CALCUTTA - CAPE OF GOOD HOPE

Endorsed "Por El Navio (El Rey) Fernando",
the other name for the Real Compañía de Filipinas ship,
the San Jose.

Charged upon arrival with manuscript "12" Reales.



Straight Line Back "**FILIPINAS**"

Without Period After "**FILIPINAS**".

Used Between 1835 - 1850. Measuring 45 mm.

1841 MARCH 30: MANILA to CORELLA, SPAIN

Via CALCUTTA - CAPE OF GOOD HOPE

Carried by the Spanish Naval Frigate (Nueva) "Victoria".

*Rated "8" Reales,
the Single Outbound Rate to Spain.*



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Boxed-in Red "**FILIPINAS**"
Used Between 1835 - 1850

**1835 JANUARY 27: MANILA to ASTORGA,
SPAIN**

*Rated "8" Reales,
the Single Outbound Rate to Spain.*

Postal marking applied in Spain
and not in Manila.

EARLIEST RECORDED USAGE



Manila y Enero 27 de 1835.



Arch Shape Black "**FRANCA**"

With straight Line "*FILIPINAS*" in black.

1838 JANUARY 5: MANILA to LONDON

Carried by the ship "Fortuna".

Rated 2/2d for 1/4 ounce weight.

TWO KNOWN

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Dated Oval black "**FILIPINAS - Manila**"
Used Between 1842 - 1844

1842 NOVEMBER 24: MANILA to CADIZ

Via CAPE OF GOOD HOPE - FERROL

*Rated large numeral "8R",
the Single Outbound Rate to Spain.*

Black Baeza "**MANILA - 31 - IS.^s FILIP.^s**"
Used Between 1843 - 1869.
Measuring 28 mm Diameter.

1844 JANUARY 14
MANILA to CADIZ, SPAIN

Backstamped Cadiz, June 3, 1844.

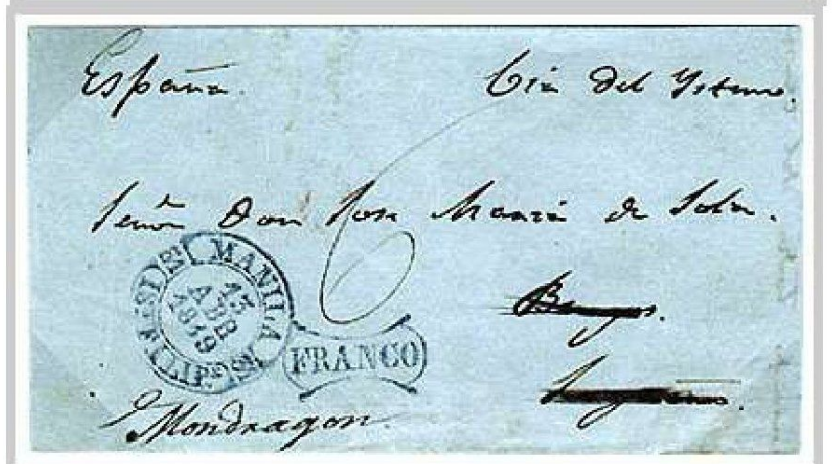


Blue Baeza "**MANILA - 31 - IS.^s FILIP.^s**"
Used Between 1849 - 1853.
Measuring 28 mm Diameter.

Fancy Blue Framed "**FRANCO**"
Used Between 1849 - 1855

1849 APRIL 13
MANILA to MONDRAGON, SPAIN

Postage pre-paid in Manila
per fancy framed "FRANCO" marking.



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Straight-line Black **"MANILA"**
Used Only in 1845

1845 FEBRUARY 23
MANILA to NAVARRA, SPAIN

"S.N." (Servicio Nacional) folded letter sheet
originating from INABANGAN (CEBU)
and dated December 29, 1844.

Received in manuscript, July 11.

ONE OF ONLY TWO KNOWN

Inabangan y Diciembre 29 domingo de Mayo



Blue Baeza **"MANILA - 31 -**
ISL. FILIP.

Used Between 1851 - 1863.
Measuring 29.5 mm Diameter

1853 JULY 6: MANILA to CADIZ, SPAIN

Received Algeciras, September 19,
and Cadiz, September 21.



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Black Baeza "**MANILA - 31 - ISL.^s FILIPI.^s**
Used Between 1853 - 1862.
Measuring 29.5 mm Diameter

1860 JULY 18
LINGAYEN, PANGASINAN to MANILA

With 5c Isabella II issue for Single Local Rate.



Blue Baeza "**MANILA - 31 - IS.s FILIPI.s**
Used Only for A Short Period in 1851.
Measuring 29.5 mm Diameter

1851 JANUARY 23: MANILA to CADIZ

Via SUEZ - ALEXANDRIA - ALGECIRAS
Backstamped Cadiz, April 19.

Pre-paid "6" Reales Single Outbound Rate.



MANILA - ACAPULCO ROUTE

PRE-PHILATELIC PERIOD MAIL



MANILA to VITORIA, SPAIN

Via ACAPULCO - VERA CRUZ - HAVANA - SAN ROQUE

Red straight line "FILIPINAS" postmark, type used between 1787 - 1800.
Carried by the Spanish bergantin "Feliz".

Rated "4.U." (Reales de Vellon) or "8" (Reales de Plata),
the Single Outbound Rate to Spain set in 1800.

1797 MARCH 11: MANILA to ROME

Via
ACAPULCO - MEXICO CITY - VERA CRUZ -
HAVANA - SPAIN

Red straight line "FILIPINAS" and black "FRANCA / AZAS"
postmarks,
carried by the annual Manila galleon to Acapulco.
Dateline

Manila 11 Marzo 1797



CAPE OF GOOD HOPE ROUTE

PRE-PHILATELIC PERIOD MAIL



1838 MARCH 15: MANILA to LONDON

Via GALLE - MAURITIUS - CAPE OF GOOD HOPE - LE HARVE - CALAIS

Connecting at Galle with French private ship "Phoenia".

Endorsed "ACHEMINEE PAR LE CAPITAINE P. COSTER".

Le Harve, July 16; Calais, July 18; and London, July 19 date stamps.

Forwarding Agents: RUSSELL & STURGIS, MANILA and H. SAEN, LE HARVE

Charged 6/ for 10 oz. Ship Letter Rate.

Corrected to 10/ to include 4/ for French Incoming Letter.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE ROUTE

PRE-PHILATELIC PERIOD MAIL



1839 JANUARY 26: MANILA to COPENHAGEN

Via GALLE - CAPE OF GOOD HOPE - HAMBURG

Addressed to the Director of "Danske Asiatike Compagnie".

Carried by the steamer "Reform" to Hamburg.

Backstamped "SCHIEFS BRIEF-POST / HAMBURG / 6 JUL".

With disinfecting notice "CUXHAVENER QUARANTAINÉ / DR. A.C.T. MEIER".

Charged 4/, Ship Letter Rate to Germany.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE ROUTE

PRE-PHILATELIC PERIOD MAIL



1840 DECEMBER 15: MANILA to PHILADELPHIA

Via MACAO - HONG KONG - GALLE - CALCUTTA - CAPE OF GOOD HOPE - LONDON - LIVERPOOL - SOUTHAMPTON - NEW YORK

By private ship "Great Western" from Hong Kong to London, received as "PAID SHIP LETTER / 8 JY 1841". Sent by mistake to Liverpool. Re-directed to Southampton for Trans-Atlantic crossing to New York, arriving July 19. Forwarding Agent: RUSSELL & STURGIS, MANILA

Charged 2/8d per 1/4 oz., British Packet Rate from India effective October 1, 1839, with 1/ as pre-paid Trans-Atlantic Rate.



1842 MARCH 10: MANILA to NANCY, FRANCE

Via SINGAPORE - CAPE OF GOOD HOPE - LONDON - NETHERLANDS - BELGIUM

Per contents carried by the English barque "Belhaven". Endorsed to the "Eduard" for the Netherlands with "ZEEBRIEF * ZIERIKZFE / 19 / 9" red oval strike. Received Nancy, September 23. Forwarding Agent: RUSSELL & STURGIS, MANILA

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OVERLAND GIBRALTAR ROUTE

PRE-PHILATELIC PERIOD MAIL



1843 MARCH 31: MANILA to CADIZ

Via BOMBAY - SUEZ - ALEXANDRIA - MALTA - GIBRALTAR

From Matia & Co., by private ship to Bombay and British Packet to Malta, arriving October 23, then to Cadiz via Gibraltar, arriving November 8.

Forwarding Agent
JOSE M. MONTERO & CO., GIBRALTAR

Rated 5/ per 1 1/2 oz., India Rate of May 27, 1840 and 1/4d at Port of Gibraltar per Spanish Endorsement.

**EARLIEST KNOWN WITH GIBRALTAR
FORWARDING AGENT POSTAGE PAID MANUSCRIPT**



1844 MARCH 16: MANILA to CADIZ

Via MACAO - HONG KONG - CALCUTTA - SUEZ - ALEXANDRIA - GIBRALTAR

Carried privately to Macao, then to Hong Kong on April 11.

Forwarding Agent: PEDRO DE LAS HERAS, MACAO

Rated 2/4d per 1/2 oz., 1844 Hong Kong Bearing Rate and 1/5d at Port of Gibraltar for delivery to Cadiz.

**EARLIEST RECORDED USAGE
OF HONG KONG CROWN POSTMARK**

OVERLAND MARSELLES ROUTE

PRE-PHILATELIC PERIOD MAIL



1838 OCTOBER 26: MANILA to MADRID

Via SINGAPORE - BOMBAY - MOCHA - SUEZ -
ALEXANDRIA - MARSEILLES - BARCELONA

Carried privately to Marseilles, the above route
detailed in letter contents.

Received Barcelona with maritime "DE FRANCA" entry.
Rated 5R (Reales) per 1 1/4 oz.,
1838 India Bearing Rate.



1837 OCTOBER 8: MANILA to LONDON

Via CANTON - BOMBAY - SUEZ - ALEXANDRIA -
MARSEILLES - HAMBURG

Endorsed "PAQUEBOTS / INDIA / DE LA MEDITERRANEE"
to Bombay, where received with black oval "INDIA".

Boxed-in "BRITISH FOREIGN" marking applied in Hamburg.
Received London, March 2, 1838.

Rated 3/8d per 1/2 oz., Packet Rate from India and 1/10d each
for French and German Posts.

Forwarding Agent: RUSSELL & STURGIS, CANTON



1852 JULY 9: MANILA to SALEM

Via HONG KONG - GALLE - SUEZ - ALEXANDRIA -
MARSEILLES - LONDON - LIVERPOOL - BOSTON

From George Abott, via P&O Line to Marseilles.
Cunard ship the "Niagra" to Boston,
with "BR. PACKET / BOSTON"
October 29 receiving postmark.

Rated 65c: 34c British Mail; 10c French Transit;
16c Trans-Atlantic Rate and 5c for U.S. Inland Delivery.