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## Mir Castle

On December 16, 2010 the Ministry of Communications and Informatization of the Republic of Belarus will issue a souvenir sheet "Mir Castle".

**Designer:** Ivan Lukin. **Printing:** offset. **Colour:** multicoloured. **Paper:** chalk-surfaced, gummed. **Perforation:** frame 13<sup>1/2</sup>. There is 1 stamp in the souvenir sheet. **Size** of the stamp: 52x37 mm. **Size** of the souvenir sheet: 120x82 mm. While printing the souvenir sheet they used the technology of MetalFX, thermal stamping by metalized silver foil, relief stamping.

**Print quantity:** 15.000 souvenir sheets.

There are elements of protection on the stamp.

### Souvenir sheet No. 79



No. 861

Mir Castle

5000 BYR

**Historical reference:** The Mir Castle is a unique monument of Belarusian architecture of the 16<sup>th</sup> — 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. Its construction was initiated by the Belarusian magnate Yuri Ilinich in 1520-ies near the village Mir (Grodno region).

Being one of the best examples of the Belarusian fortress building engineering of the 16<sup>th</sup> century the Mir Castle was for many centuries used as a residence for Belarusian magnates. Since 1569 till 1828 the Mir Castle was owned by the dukes Radziwill. Then the castle passed into the hands of the dukes Wittgenstein and their heirs.

The Sviatapolk-Mirski family was the last owner of the Mir Castle (1891—1939). Then it became state property. Since 1987 the Mir Castle is a branch of the National Art Museum of the Republic of Belarus.

In 2000 the Mir Castle was included into the UNESCO World Heritage List.



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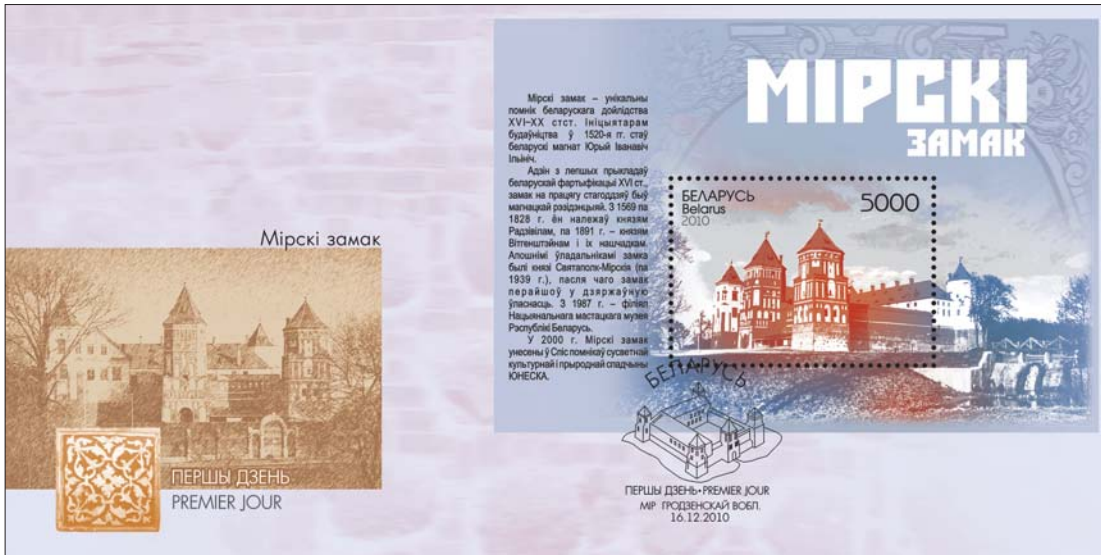
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Colour of the postmark — black.

Special **postmark** and **FDC**  
designed by I. Lukin.



**A special cancellation** on FDC will be carried out at the post office of Mir town (Grodno region) on the souvenir sheet issuing day.