

#### Remaking History

Collection as we celebrate our remarkable royals, past and present.

#### Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Join us as we mark Her Majesty The Queen's unprecedented milestone with a series of special events.

#### Rule, Britannia!

Discover the benefits associated with our Britannia bullion coins and bars.

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As we continue to celebrate Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee, this issue of *Mint Edition* is dedicated to The Royal Mint's close association with the Royal Family. For more than 1,100 years, the British monarchy has entrusted us to mark milestone moments. In 2022, one of our latest coin series, The British Monarchs Collection, celebrates

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# Welcome to Mint Edition!

We are already halfway through 2022 and it has been an extremely busy year for The Royal Mint so far. We started the year by launching one of our largest coin collections to date to mark Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee, and our royal celebrations have continued with the launch of our British Monarchs Collection. As part of our five-year plan, we have also announced some new developments that will see The Royal Mint grow into new areas of business.

"It is an exceptionally exciting time for The Royal Mint as we embark on a five-year transformation plan that has already seen us exploring new opportunities and evolving as an organisation, whilst still being one of Britain's oldest and most trusted brands.

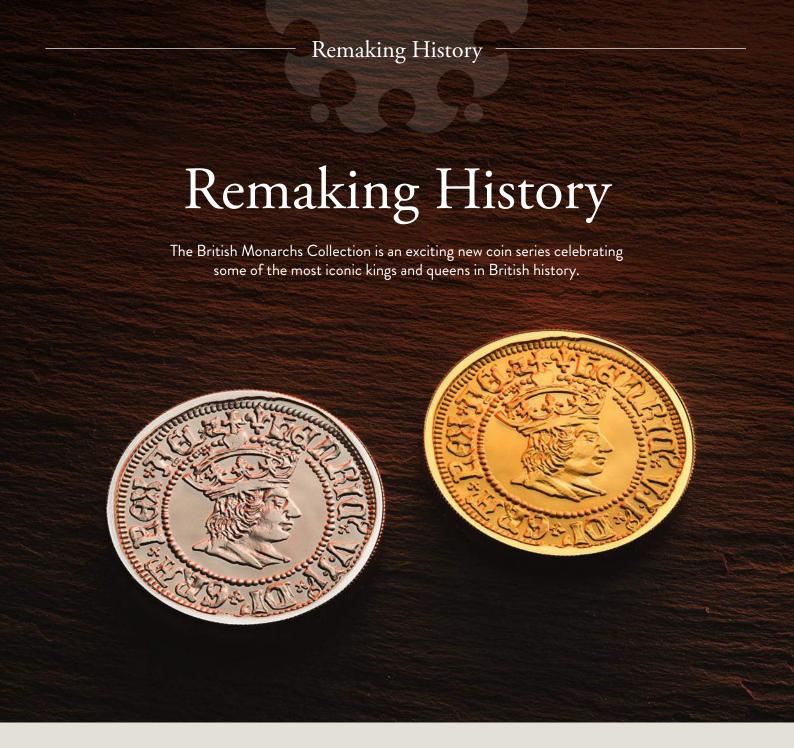
"Earlier this year, we announced that we are building a new 'world-first' facility that will recover gold from electronic devices, such as mobile phones and laptops. The new plant will see The Royal Mint become a leader in sustainably sourced precious metals, which we will then use to make our products in the future.

"We are also delighted to launch our new lifestyle brand, 886, which will make timeless jewellery and homeware using the exquisite craftsmanship that we are renowned for. Our unique heritage means that everything we offer is either originated by us or has an original twist – that is the promise we make to our customers every day.

"We are also focused on ensuring our customers enjoy a fantastic day out at our Royal Mint Experience in South Wales, where we will continue to celebrate Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee year with a variety of activities and events in the coming months."

Anne Jessopp,
Chief Executive of The Royal Mint

Read on to find out more.



Over time, the British throne has been occupied by a cornucopia of rulers, including legendary kings, revolutionary queens and forgotten monarchs all but lost to the pages of history. With an unrivalled and majestic legacy, the stories surrounding the Crown comprise fascinating tales of power, triumph and tragedy, and provide an incredible insight into British royalty through the ages.

In celebration of this unparalleled saga of sovereignty, our British Monarchs Collection pays tribute to some of Britain's most iconic, beloved and notorious monarchs. As we breathe new life into classic, historic coin designs using state-of-the-art numismatic technology, this five-year collection will see 21 British monarchs resurrected through coinage.

The collection commemorates monarchs from four royal dynasties (Tudor, Stuart, Hanover and Saxe-Coburg-Gotha/Windsor) – and we will release four new coins every year. Since the reigns of these monarchs, particularly those of the Tudor and Jacobean era, coin design has evolved and, although the coins in the collection have been struck to the high standards of twenty-first-century coinage, each obverse design has been painstakingly recreated to provide an authentic representation of the original design.

Released sequentially over a five-year period, these coins will combine to form a timeline of British royal history over the last 500 years. Beginning with one of the most famous, or infamous, royal houses in British history, the

collection starts with the legendary founder of the Tudor dynasty, Henry VII (r. 1485–1509), through an original coinage portrait that first appeared during the king's reign. The collection will also include coins for the patriarch's four Tudor successors: Henry VIII (r. 1509–47), Edward VI (r. 1547–53), Mary I (r. 1553–58) and Elizabeth I (r. 1558–1603).

Following the coin for Henry VII, the second release in the collection will see us step into the Jacobean period, as we celebrate the reign of the first Stuart king of England, James I  $(r.\ 1603-25)$ . The self-styled 'King of Great Britain' was the first king to rule Scotland alongside England, Wales and Ireland simultaneously and is therefore a worthy subject for the second coin in this



collection of revived coin designs. James I will be followed in the coming years by each of his fellow Stuart successors: Charles I (*r*. 1625–49), Charles II (*r*. 1660–85), James II (*r*. 1685–88), William III (*r*. 1689–1702) and Mary II (*r*. 1689–94), and lastly Queen Anne (*r*. 1702–14).

The third coin in the collection is dedicated to George I (*r.* 1714–27), who also served as ruler of the Duchy and Electorate of Brunswick-Lüneburg. George I's reign signalled the advent of the Hanoverian period in Britain and the king was succeeded by his namesakes George II (*r.* 1727–60), George III (*r.* 1760–1820) and George IV (*r.* 1820–30). The subsequent reigns of William IV (*r.* 1830–37) and Queen Victoria (*r.* 1837–1901) brought

the Hanoverian era to a close. The British Monarchs Collection celebrates each of these Hanoverian monarchs in turn over the course of the collection through the designs of their respective coins.

The final royal house in the collection is the House of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, which became the House of Windsor in 1917. Beginning with Edward VII (*r*. 1901–10), this part of the collection will celebrate the dynasty's crowned monarchs, including George V (*r*. 1910–36) and George VI (*r*. 1936–52). The collection will reach a fitting conclusion in 2026 with a coin dedicated to Britain's current and longest-reigning monarch – Queen Elizabeth II.

In addition to these individual coins, we will also be releasing a range of sets combining new and historic coins. These limited-edition sets will feature a British Monarchs coin alongside a genuine coin from the era of that respective monarch.

For more information on this exciting new series, visit our British Monarchs page or contact our Customer Services team on **0800 032 2152**.



## Behind the Design

The British Monarchs Collection is a unique commemorative coin series that blends classic coin designs of yesteryear with the modern techniques of today. We sat down with our Chief Engraver Gordon Summers to find out how these historically accurate coins were created.

Using state-of-the-art technology, these coins feature a variety of majestic designs finished to our premium standard that replicate coin designs dating back to the reigns of some of Britain's most iconic monarchs.



When the British Monarchs concept was first suggested, how did you approach the overall process of remaking these classic coin designs?

"From the early concept stages, we were looking at how we could reproduce these classic coins in a way that would faithfully match the style of the original. We didn't want to make them appear too modern and approached the project from a viewpoint where we would try to produce a coin to the best possible quality at that point in history.



"In the early days, coins would have been hammered and blanks weren't always particularly uniform in appearance, so it was important to keep that in mind when we remade them. At that time, there wouldn't necessarily have been one engraver either. We don't know the personality of the original engravers/designers as they could have been one of many sat on the bench at the time.

"If you think of master tools, which came later, they would be designed by one person and all subsequent coins would come from that original master tool. Historically, that wasn't the case; somebody would have produced the first one, then various engravers would have copied it. If the die broke, they'd have to try and rework it or make a new one – so there's a lot of variation in the coins, which we wanted to capture as well."

What steps did you take to achieve an accurate reproduction of these coins?

"The first stage was to try and find a sample that we were happy and confident we could work with. We were looking for the best available piece, both in terms of design and how it had survived through the ages. We were looking for a clear, well-engraved image. Once that sample had been identified, we would scan it using a digital scanner, which gave us a really accurate digital model of the design.

"The main issue at this stage was that, although these pieces were the best examples available to us, they had still been worn over time. A coin might be damaged, clipped, or even have been buried for 300 years, so it's not really an accurate representation of how the coin would have appeared when it was first produced. So, we'd take our scanned model and work on it digitally."

Were there any aesthetic quirks that were particularly commonplace on the older coins because of primitive technology?

"For the earlier coins, we've got elements that are not complete, and the surface isn't particularly smooth because they wouldn't have had the technology to make a perfectly smooth

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die and then engrave it. There's also something called 'fishtailing' on the letters where if you hit something very hard — even if the lettering is perfect — you get a slight curve at the bottom of the letter, which is quite common on historical coinage.

"They wouldn't have had the magnification that we have now. Where we would be able to plot a perfectly symmetrical array of dots on the inside edge of a coin, they would have been working with hand punches, so there's a lot of irregularity."

#### Older coins were often characterised by a shape that wasn't perfectly circular. How did you address this issue when recreating the coins?

"For the earlier coins, such as the Henry VII piece, where the shape wasn't perfectly round, we looked at various ways we could go. We could have created a coin that was an irregular shape, but that would have meant Her Majesty The Queen's current portrait [used on the obverse of the British Monarchs coins] would have also been irregularly shaped.

"To avoid any issues with the present-day obverse design, we opted to maintain the modern edge shape and keep it perfectly round. However, for the older coins that weren't perfectly round, we have included an inside edge – the shape within the edge – that has been altered to reflect what was on the original coin that we scanned.

"Essentially, it's as though we've taken the original die, which wouldn't have been particularly round, and struck it into a present-day blank in a current collar. So, when it forms into the collar, it's all perfect but it's as though you've taken an impression of that original die."

## What are the main differences you notice on coins as you move from one dynasty to the next?

"There is a marked difference between the quality of the Tudor coins and Stuart coins, primarily because they had better lenses and better lighting, not forgetting a better technology. The Henry VII piece in this collection has got a notably uneven surface, which we have regularised for subsequent coins, as the blanks were getting better at that time, and they would have been more in control of the design."

### How did those emerging technologies impact the way coins were made?

"As we move out of the Tudor period, we start seeing coins struck in collars, so they were perfectly round. From there, engravers started using mechanical presses rather than hand hammering, so the quality of striking was a lot better. Eventually, they were able to produce coins from master tools, which changed the process dramatically.

"The chief engraver at the time would have engraved the portrait, which would have been embossed on other dies. However, it wasn't uncommon for lesser engravers to subsequently provide the inscriptions, so it comes to the point where you have consistency with the portrait but maybe the lettering is a bit skewed or beaded. This was commonplace until the twentieth century, when copy machines would have produced designs as a large model to be scaled down.

"The invention of reducing machines and copy machines improved the quality noticeably. The artist then changed from being an engraver to someone who produces a large model. All the lettering is on that model too, so it becomes very consistent and precise. The coins are all struck on mechanical presses, which can reproduce them smoothly with a higher degree of accuracy. That evolution has continued right up to today where, in terms of accuracy, we can now work to four decimal places using digital technology, such as lasers and CNC engraving machines."



This collection is extremely popular with our customers and we anticipate high demand for many of the products.

To secure a coin or coins in the collection, contact Customer Services on 0800 032 2152.





## Mint Matters

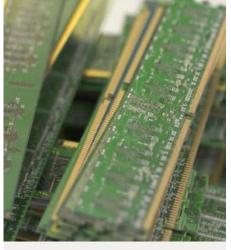


#### Going Green

We officially launched our support for The Queen's Green Canopy (QGC), a tree-planting initiative created to mark The Queen's Platinum Jubilee year, by planting a tree at our site in South Wales. With a focus on sustainability, the QGC encourages the planting of trees to create a legacy in honour of The Queen's leadership, which will benefit future generations.

During a special event to mark the occasion, Peter Vaughan, The Queen's Lord Lieutenant of Mid Glamorgan, joined Anne Jessopp, our Chief Executive, in planting a rowan tree at our site in Llantrisant; every employee from The Royal Mint has also been given a sapling. The event marked the start of our celebrations for the Platinum Jubilee, which include one of the largest coin collections in our 1,100-year history and the first UK 50p coin to celebrate a royal event.





## Building a Sustainable Future

As the home of precious metals, we want to be a leader in providing sustainable gold for our customers. We are very proud of our partnership with Excir, a Canadian start-up, to introduce a world-first technology to the UK. This technology will enable us to safely retrieve and recycle precious metals, including gold, from electronic waste. Excir's patented technology, based on revolutionary chemistry, recovers more than 99% of gold from the electronic waste derived from the circuit boards of discarded devices such as laptops and mobile phones. With this in mind, construction of a brand-new facility where the application of this technology will take place is under way at our site in South Wales.





Earlier this year, Her Majesty
The Queen became the first
British monarch to reach a
Platinum Jubilee, and celebrations
of this latest milestone in
Her Majesty's record-breaking
reign are continuing to take place.

To mark this remarkable occasion, the experienced coin designer John Bergdahl created a commemorative portrait depicting Her Majesty on horseback along with two beautifully decorative reverse designs. The collection also features a bold, graphical celebration of The Queen's reign by the design agency Osborne Ross. This particular design appears on the reverse of the first UK 50p coin issued to celebrate a royal event, which also features John Bergdahl's Platinum Jubilee portrait on the obverse.

We also have several limited-edition sets that unite nostalgia with today's celebrations. Featuring coins from early moments in Her Majesty's life alongside the commemorative coins struck for the Platinum Jubilee, these sets are a perfect way to mark this special moment in history.



The Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty The Queen 2022 UK £5 BRILLIANT UNCIRCULATED COIN

Code: UK22PJBU Price: £13.00 LEP: Unlimited MCM: Unlimited



The Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty The Queen 2022 UK 50p BRILLIANT UNCIRCULATED COIN

Code: UK22P5BU Price: £7.00 LEP: Unlimited MCM: Unlimited



## Unleash the Beasts

When the House of Lancaster succeeded the House of York following the Wars of the Roses, a formidable dynasty was born. Following his marriage with Elizabeth of York to unite the houses, Henry VII was keen to emphasise the legitimacy of his reign. He looked to the medieval tradition of heraldry to display motifs and symbols wherever possible, reinforcing his rightful position on the English throne to his subjects as well as rival claimants. Henry VIII continued his father's commitment to legitimising the Tudor dynasty. One place

that heavily features heraldic symbols is Hampton Court Palace – one of the king's most famous residences and a location he used for pleasure and celebration.

Real and mythical, ten stone beasts line the Moat Bridge, representing the lineage of Henry VIII and his third wife, Jane Seymour. We have honoured these heraldic symbols of one of the nation's most powerful dynasties with The Royal Tudor Beasts Collection.



Secure all ten coins in
The Royal Tudor Beasts Collection
by signing up today.



The Royal Tudor Beasts
The Lion of England 2022
UK 202 GOLD PROOF COIN

The Royal Tudor Beasts
The Seymour Panther 2022
UK 502 SILVER PROOF COIN

The Royal Tudor Beasts
The Lion of England 2022
UK £5 BRILLIANT UNCIRCULATED COIN

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£465.00	306	

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## Join Our Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Visit The Royal Mint Experience over the bank holiday weekend and enjoy a host of jubilee-themed activities to celebrate Her Majesty The Queen's 70 years of service.

#### Medal-Making Workshops

Children visiting The Royal Mint Experience over the bank holiday weekend can discover their inner artist with our Jubilee Medal-Making Workshop. From 30 May to 1 June 2022, this 30-minute workshop will be running four times a day. The artist behind each design will be entered into a competition from which seven winners – one for every decade of The Queen's reign – will take home a Platinum Jubilee UK 50p coin and Minty\*, The Royal Mint's official piggy bank. The workshop costs £5.00 and one free session is available with every tour ticket.

#### Jubilee-Themed Art Workshops

On 5 June 2022, children and adults can get creative at jubilee-themed art classes hosted by Beth Morris, a local artist. Children aged 7 to 14 can learn about capturing portraits to create a mixed-media, jubilee-inspired image of Her Majesty The Queen, whilst visitors over 16 can create a stitched medal or brooch to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee. All materials will be provided.

The children's session will run from 11.30am to 1pm and costs £20.00 per child or £15.00 if purchased in conjunction with a tour ticket. The adult session will run from 2pm to 4.30pm and costs £25.00 per adult or £20.00 if purchased with a tour ticket.

#### Coin Magic!

Visit The Royal Mint Experience on 2 June 2022 and enjoy being entertained with amazing magic for all ages. Award-winning magician Stuart Watkins will be putting on a special coin-related magic show and wowing people with close-up magic. The 40-minute show will run twice a day and tickets cost £5.00.

## Exhibition Trail and Activities

Over the bank holiday weekend, you can visit our Platinum Jubilee exhibition, which explores Queen Elizabeth II's reign through coins and reveals the stories behind the coins marking this important milestone. There is also a trail to follow and extra activities just for this special weekend, including some jubilee-themed colouring.

#### Colouring

If you visit The Royal Mint Experience over the bank holiday weekend, you can get arty with some jubilee-themed colouring as part of our Platinum Jubilee exhibition and trail. If you can't make it in person, you can download the colouring sheets and share your creations on social media using the hashtag #JubileeInColour. To download the colouring sheets, visit royalmint.com/discover/platinum-jubilee

## A Jubilee Event for Collectors

If you enjoy collecting coins, join us on 3 June 2022 to meet, share stories and swap coins with other collectors. Members of our Historic Coin and Collector Services teams will be on hand for you to take advantage of their expertise, have coins and collections authenticated or valued, or order coins to enhance or complete your collection.

#### The Big Jubilee Lunch

On Sunday, 4 June 2022, we're joining in with the Platinum Jubilee celebrations at our Big Jubilee Lunch. Reminiscent of the street parties synonymous with these milestone occasions, there will be a buffet including cakes, pastries and sandwiches that you can enjoy indoors or al fresco in our marquee. We will also be streaming the Platinum Jubilee 'Party at the Palace' in our Education Room, where you can get comfortable on a beanbag to watch the star-studded event.

There will be two lunchtime sittings – one at 12pm and one at 2.00pm – and numbers are limited. If you aren't able to purchase tickets for these times, our café will be open and extra seating will be available for guests to soak up the atmosphere.





#### Collecting with Children

If you are already a keen coin collector, you know the joy it can bring, either through collecting loose change or investing in coins from The Royal Mint.

Whether you're an avid coin collector and looking to pass on your interest to younger family members or your little ones are intrigued by the world of coins, take a look at our five top tips for getting children started on this lifelong hobby.



#### 1. Theme the Collection

People choose to collect coins in many ways: by denomination, metal or year, to name a few. One way to get your children into coin collecting is by introducing coins that feature well-known characters. There are plenty of coins featuring popular children's characters, such as Winnie the Pooh and The Snowman™.

Coins featuring characters can encourage an emotional attachment, so they may pique an interest in coins at an early age.

#### 2. Give Coins as Gifts

If your children have an interest in coins, it provides a great gift opportunity for Christmas and birthdays, as coins are something they can cherish forever.

We release a range of new and reimagined coins and sets every year, offering collectors the ideal opportunity to continually add to a collection as well as taking the headache out of the age-old question, 'What should I get them?'

#### Tell Stories and Teach History Through Coins

We see the coins we produce as miniature works of art, with years of history and craftsmanship etched into each precious item. The evolution of design can provide a great opportunity for storytelling and captivating young imaginations, whilst providing a fun lesson in history and art. Telling these stories through coins can encourage children to understand and appreciate history.

#### 4. Introduce Responsibility

Coin collecting can introduce the concept of responsibility to children. Explaining that certain coins shouldn't be handled or played with can be difficult for a child to understand but provides good learning opportunities, insight into the value of coins, and encourages care and attention with precious items. As children grow to love their collection, this sense of responsibility can be developed.



If you are keen to get your children or grandchildren into coin collecting, you are probably already fond of it yourself. Sharing this hobby with someone else provides a brilliant opportunity to share that knowledge and demonstrate first hand why coins are so fascinating. Bonding over a shared interest can help build intergenerational relationships and stimulate conversations as you pass on your knowledge and perhaps pick up some new information yourself.



Coin collecting is a fun hobby, regardless of age, and there are many designs in circulation that could spark a child's interest. If you can't wait to see if they appear in your loose change, why not start your collection with some of our Brilliant Uncirculated (BU) coins? Produced to a higher standard than circulating coins, we strike these coins twice and, as for Proof coins, the dies used to strike BU coins are polished and finished by hand. They are perfect as an entry-level collectable coin or a gift for someone looking to mark a special occasion.

For more information, visit royalmint.com/mintlings









## Made to Achieve – The Dedicated Duke

Join The Royal Mint in celebrating the 40th birthday of His Royal Highness The Duke of Cambridge.

On 21 June 1982, Prince William Arthur Philip Louis was born at 9.03pm at St Mary's Hospital in Paddington, London. The eldest son of His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales and the late Diana, Princess of Wales, The Duke of Cambridge is currently second in line to the throne.

Growing up during the 1980s and 1990s as a popular prince, The Duke of Cambridge has evolved into his senior royal role with seamless confidence. In addition to his ceremonial duties, which include supporting his grandmother Her Majesty The Queen, His Royal Highness works tirelessly on progressive causes close to his heart, whether tackling the issue of climate

change or the stigma attached to mental health issues.

As a devoted husband to Her Royal Highness The Duchess of Cambridge and a loving father to their three young children, this year The Duke of Cambridge celebrates his milestone 40th birthday. To mark this occasion, we have struck a special commemorative coin. The reverse design by Thomas T. Docherty, a product designer at The Royal Mint, captures The Duke of Cambridge in a candid pose of determination, gazing ahead to the future. The £5 precious metals editions of the coin include the edge inscription 'HRH THE DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE'.



The 40th Birthday of HRH The Duke of Cambridge 2022
UK 20z GOLD PROOF COIN

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Price:	MCM:
£4,775.00	106



The 40th Birthday of HRH The Duke of Cambridge 2022
UK £5 GOLD PROOF COIN

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<b>UK22PWGP</b>	300	
Price: £2,725.00	MCM: 310	



The 40th Birthday of HRH The Duke of Cambridge 2022 UK 1/4°z GOLD PROOF COIN

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UK £5 SILVER PROOF COIN

The 40th Birthday of HRH The Duke of Cambridge 2022
UK £5 SILVER PROOF PIEDFORT COIN

The 40th Birthday of HRH The Duke of Cambridge 2022
UK £5 BRILLIANT UNCIRCULATED COIN

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#### A Precious Investment



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As the popularity of platinum continues to soar, we have unveiled our largest platinum coin to date.

The Royal Mint has seen a huge rise in demand for platinum so far in 2022. To continue shining the spotlight on this sought-after metal, we have unveiled the largest platinum coin we have ever made to coincide with the year of Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

As part of The Royal Mint's ongoing commitment to investment education, the coin will be taken on a roadshow across the United Kingdom before being displayed at The Royal Mint Experience; it will then be taken to the 2023 Trial of the Pyx where a jury will assay the metal content. Finally, it will be offered to investors to add to their portfolio.

The coin has a diameter of 150mm and weighs two kilogrammes. It features our flagship Britannia design with The Royal Mint's innovative security features built in, including surface animation and micro-text designed to verify the authenticity of the piece.

"Platinum is one of the rarest metals in the world – around 30 times rarer than gold – so the metal in this coin, combined with the skill and craftsmanship that goes into producing it, makes it a really special piece. This is our first two-kilo coin in platinum and this piece is designed specifically for the investment market," says Andrew Dickey, Director of Precious Metals.

"The Royal Mint is the UK's leading producer and retailer of platinum coins and bars in terms of sales volume, so we're delighted to showcase this incredibly beautiful platinum work of art with all the intricate details of our iconic Britannia design.

"In the year of Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee, we're thrilled to continue the celebrations with what we believe to be the world's largest platinum coin."

Platinum is becoming increasingly popular as an investment asset and is also used prolifically in

industry. Around 40% of platinum demand is driven by the automotive industry – particularly in the production of catalytic converters – and another 38% is used in jewellery. Due to the metal's rarity, it is viewed as a highly desirable investment option with between 2% and 11% of the world's platinum used to make bars and coins for the investment market.

"It is great to see The Royal Mint's range of platinum coins going from strength to strength since it launched its first platinum bullion products in 2017. They continue to grow and provide further opportunities for both collectors and investors. We are not aware of any other coins larger than this one and we commend The Royal Mint for pioneering new investment options for those interested in including platinum in their investment portfolios."

Paul Wilson, CEO of the World Platinum Investment Council



# The Benefits of our Britannia Bullion Coin

Following the evolution of the Britannia bullion coin in 2021, when we introduced four brand-new, state-of-the-art security features to the design, demand for Britannia bullion coins has soared. From Australia to Japan, the United States to the UK, investors around the globe are treasuring Britannia as one of the most trusted and recognised bullion coins in the world. So what makes Britannia so special?



#### Global Recognition

Britannia is one of the oldest and most trusted coin designs in the world. Global recognition of the icon means there is a strong secondary market for Britannia bullion coins, which makes them a particularly liquid choice for many investors.

#### Accessibility

The 2022 gold bullion Britannia range includes a one ounce, half-ounce, quarter-ounce and tenth-ounce coin for investors with varying budgets, or those looking to make frequent investments. The coin is also available in individual capsules, blister packs, tubes and boxes to offer investors choice within their portfolio. More recently, the iconic Britannia design has also appeared on beautifully minted bullion bars, which range in size from 1g to 100g and are presented in tamper-proof packaging.

#### Tax Efficiency

Due to their legal tender status, Britannia coins are exempt from Capital Gains Tax (CGT)

for UK residents, regardless of the amount of coinage accumulated. Furthermore, gold Britannia bullion, in the form of both coins and bars, is also VAT free.

#### Reassurance

Thanks to their innovative security features, which include a latent feature, micro-text, tincture lines and an animated background, Britannia bullion coins are now easy to authenticate purely by sight. These intricate features significantly reduce the risk of counterfeiting and provide investors with a level of reassurance when they make a purchase or choose to liquidate their assets.

#### Sell-Back Potential

Due to the range of denominations available, Britannia bullion coins provide investors with the ultimate flexibility when it comes to selling back their gold. Rather than being restricted to selling entire one ounce coins, they can opt to sell smaller portions of their holdings, such as a tenth-ounce coin.

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1/10 oz GOLD BULLION COIN

Code: UKBGB22T

Price: From £178.46



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Code: UKBGB221C Price: From £1,606.21

Visit royalmint.com/britannia or scan the QR code below to find out more.



# Annual Sets 2022 – Making History

Brought together in one impressive presentation, our Annual Sets give you an opportunity to own some of the year's key commemorative coins.

The 2022 Annual Sets are the ultimate numismatic celebration of British culture, past and present, and are available in a variety of Brilliant Uncirculated, base Proof and precious metal Proof editions. Featuring a collection of UK £5, £2 and 50p coins, the commemorative coins in the sets celebrate Dame Vera Lynn, Alexander Graham Bell and the return of the Commonwealth Games to the British Isles, whilst two of the coins commemorate The Queen's unprecedented Platinum Jubilee.











The 2022 United Kingdom

SILVER PROOF PIEDFORT COMMEMORATIVE COIN SET

Code: D22PFCS | Price: £597.50

LEP: 370

The 2022 United Kingdom
SILVER PROOF COIN SET
Code: D22SP | Price: £647.50
LEP: 550

The 2022 United Kingdom
PROOF COIN SET
Code: D22COLL | Price: £155.00
LEP: 7,000

The 2022 United Kingdom

BRILLIANT UNCIRCULATED DEFINITIVE COIN SET

Code: DUW22 | Price: £30.00

LEP: Unlimited

The 2022 United Kingdom

BRILLIANT UNCIRCULATED ANNUAL COIN SET

Code: DU22 | Price: £60.00

LEP: Unlimited

# Consign Your Coins to The Royal Mint

Are you looking to sell some of your coins but don't know where to begin? Nobody knows the true value of coins better than The Royal Mint. Rebecca Morgan, Head of Collector Services, explains why consigning your coin or collection to one of our regular auctions can help you find the right buyer and the best price.



### What does it mean to consign your coin or collection to The Royal Mint?

"When you consign your coin or collection to The Royal Mint, we will use our expertise to sell these coins on your behalf. Auctions are a brilliant way of selling your coins for the best price. It can often be difficult for people to gauge how valuable a coin or collection is, particularly when it comes to historic coins, but our numismatic experts are on hand to assess and value your coins and tell you what price they could reach at auction. Working with a reputable company like The Royal Mint is particularly reassuring if you have acquired a collection through inheritance or if, for whatever reason, you've decided that now is the right time to sell some of your coins. We can help you go through your collection and advise which coins would do well at auction and which coins you might want to keep for sentimental value. For those interested in buying coins at auction, you have the reassurance and security that you are buying for a fair price, one that other collectors think is reasonable."

## What are the benefits of consigning to The Royal Mint?

"We have been making coins for more than 1,100 years, so have a wealth of experience. Our numismatic experts authenticate and check the quality of the consigned coins and offer advice so that you can make an informed decision about what you want to do next.

"Auctions make up a huge percentage of the coin-trading industry and have increased in popularity over the past two years, when the pandemic prevented people from meeting up and buying coins in person. As one of the oldest and most trusted brands in the United Kingdom, we have a huge database and a wide target audience of coin collectors in the UK and beyond. We offer competitive selling fees, sometimes even as low as 0%. Before each auction, we hold webinars and upload content to let people know what kinds of items are being sold and to help educate the buyers on what to look out for in the secondary market."

## What kind of coins are suitable for consignment?

"Although we are particularly interested in coins produced by The Royal Mint, you can get in touch with our team to discuss selling any coins, even those made internationally. You may think that some of your coins aren't particularly rare but that doesn't mean they aren't collectable. Some coins have become highly collectable because people tend to hold on to them, for example, the 2009 Kew Gardens 50p coin. If your coin or collection doesn't fit into the criteria of one of our upcoming auctions, we may be able to offer you a direct purchase through our Coin Buying Service."

### Tell us more about The Royal Mint's first independent consignment auction.

"This is an exciting development for us, and we've already had a lot of customer interest. As we are marking Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee year, our first independent consignment auction has a royal theme, featuring coins from the reigns of Britain's most prominent monarchs. Since Queen Elizabeth II is Britain's longest-reigning monarch, the coins of Her Majesty's reign will undoubtedly feature in the auction and is the perfect way to celebrate her achievements as we look back at the coins of her 70-year reign. We will also be holding a webinar before the auction which will take an in-depth look at the royal portraits used on coinage."

## What other services does The Royal Mint provide to help collectors source and sell coins?

"Our Coin Finder Service can help you grow or complete your collection. If you are searching for a particular coin, you can talk to our account managers who will look for that coin on the secondary market. As with our auctions, every coin we source is authenticated to make sure our customers are receiving a genuine item. In addition, we offer authentication and valuation services that can give you information about a coin in your collection. You will also be able to say that the coin has been authenticated by The Royal Mint, which gives a stamp of approval and will help if you do decide to sell in the future."

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How to Consign Coins to an Auction by The Royal Mint



Contact us via our online consignment form with details of the coin you would like to sell.



We need as much information as possible about each coin to ensure we place it in the best sale and get you the best price, including what the coin is and its grade. The best way to provide this is to send us a high-resolution picture of each side of the coin when you complete our consignment enquiry form.



We will get back to you with our estimated auction valuation.



If you are happy with our estimate, use our freepost service to send the coin to us with the reference number we provide.



Once we have received the coin, we will confirm its condition, provide you with an estimate and issue the sales contract.



Near the auction day, we will send you details of your coin's lot number so you can watch it at auction.



Once your coin is sold, we will make payment (less any fees, if applicable) in the agreed timeframe.

For more information, visit royalmint.com/collect/auction/consignments

## A Badge of Honour

Although we have more than 1,100 years' experience producing coins, there is much more to The Royal Mint. Historical evidence of official and private medal manufacture at The Royal Mint dates back several centuries, and we are extremely proud of our long history producing beautiful medals to reward achievements and commemorate significant events.







In 1815, the manufacture of the Waterloo Medal marked the first production of military campaign medals, as it was the first time every soldier who had fought in a battle was eligible to receive one. With around 40,000 medals required, each featuring an individual's name, it was unlike anything The Royal Mint had done before.

Today, a dedicated team of highly skilled craftspeople produce medals, awards and honours for more than 85 organisations, including services, institutes and societies

such as the Home Office, HM Coastguard, the Prison Service, and several police and ambulance services, along with many other distinguished customers.

We also make medals for 21 royal societies, including the Royal Academy of Engineering and the Royal Society of Arts, and several medals on behalf of Buckingham Palace, including the Institute of Physics Isaac Newton Medal and the Gold Medal for Poetry.

The Gold Medal for Poetry was instituted by George V in 1933 at the suggestion of the then Poet Laureate, John Masefield. Awarded for excellence in poetry, on the basis either of a body of work over several years, or for an outstanding poetry collection issued during the year of the award, previous recipients of the award include writers such as W. H. Auden, Ted Hughes, Derek Walcott and Gillian Clarke.

The front of the medal bears the crowned effigy of The Queen, whilst the inspiration for the reverse, designed by Edmund Dulac, is 'Truth is emerging from her well and holding in her right hand the divine flame of inspiration — Beauty is Truth and Truth Beauty'. The latter part of this description is a quotation from the poem 'Ode on a Grecian Urn' by John Keats. For many years, we were one of the main manufacturers of military medals, with service crosses and gallantry awards, such as the George Cross and the Military Cross, amongst the most prestigious military medals we have ever made. Today, we occasionally produce war medals when they are awarded or claimed, which sometimes happens posthumously.

One of our proudest milestones was striking all 4,700 gold, silver and bronze medals for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. At more than 76 millimetres in diameter, they are the largest and heaviest Summer Olympic Games medals ever produced. They were so large, in fact, that a new press nicknamed 'Colossus' had to be installed to produce them. Each of these medals took ten hours and 22 individual processes to make; it was an incredible achievement, and everyone involved felt a huge sense of pride in being part of such an important event.

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# Designed by Dominic Jones

For this new collection, British designer Dominic Jones, Creative Director of 886 by The Royal Mint, was inspired by The Royal Mint's heritage. Since the launch of his debut collection in 2009, many have lauded Dominic Jones as one of the most gifted creatives in the jewellery industry. As well as running his own acclaimed line, the five-time winner of the British Fashion Council's New Gen Award has served as Creative Director for several iconic British jewellery brands.





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