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**€10 SILVER COIN DEDICATED TO:
«GREEK CULTURE — PHILOSOPHERS — DEMOKRITOS»**



DEMOKRITOS (c. 460-370 BC)

Demokritos is considered the forefather of modern atomic theory. He was born in Abdera, Thrace, and mentored by Leukippos. His extensive travels in Ionia brought him into contact with the teachings of the great Ionian philosophers (Thales, Anaximander, Anaximenes, Herakleitos). A truly universal spirit, he was erudite in almost all fields of human knowledge, as evidenced by the diversity of his writings on ethics, physics, mathematics, music, cosmology and technology, and visited many places of the then known world. According to his atomic theory, all material bodies consist of invisible, indestructible, unalterable and indivisible particles, which he called *atoma* ("atoms"), the Greek word for "indivisible". In reaction to Parmenides's static philosophy, Demokritos saw the world as being in constant motion and change. He also refuted the concept of teleology, i.e. that there is an underlying purpose to everything. Demokritos was the last of the great pre-Socratic philosophers, who were to have a profound influence on modern philosophy.

**€10 SILVER COIN DEDICATED TO:
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Technical specifications:

Denomination: €10
Diameter: 40 mm
Weight: 34.10 gr
Edge: plain
Metal: silver 92.5% (Ag)
Packaging: coin box with certificate of authenticity
Maximum issue: 2,000 pieces
Minting quality: proof
Price: €52.85 plus V.A.T.
Coin designed by: G. Stamatopoulos
Launch of sales: 12/05/2016



€10 SILVER COIN DEDICATED TO:
«GREEK CULTURE — NEW COMEDY — MENANDER»



MENANDER (342-292 BC)

The Athenian comic playwright Menander was the most prominent representative of New Comedy. In contrast to the Old Comedy of Aristophanes, comedy in Menander's time moved away from political satire, concentrating instead on stock characters (the superstitious man, the flatterer, the rustic, the misanthrope) with all their weaknesses, failings and desires. Menander wrote over one hundred plays, winning eight victories at dramatic festivals. However, only six of his comedies have survived reasonably well-preserved, the most complete of which are *Dyskolos* ("The Grouch"), *Samia* ("The Girl from Samos") and *Epitrepontes* ("Men at Arbitration"), together with numerous fragments. Thanks to later adaptations of his plays by Roman dramatists, elements of his art not only survived, but also found their way into the comedies of Molière and Shakespeare. A number of famous quotes are attributed to him, such as "What a fine thing a human being is, when truly human!"

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«GREEK CULTURE — NEW COMEDY — MENANDER»**

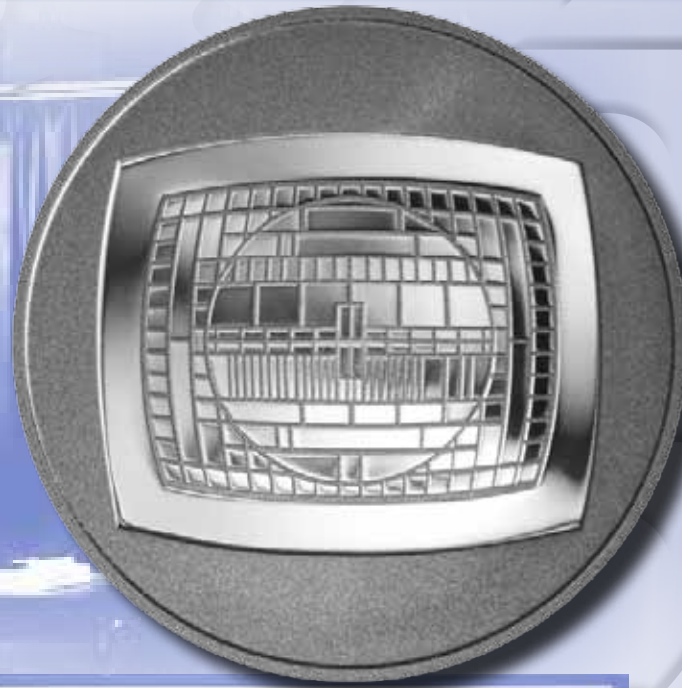


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Metal: silver 92.5% (Ag)
Packaging: coin box with certificate of authenticity
Maximum issue: 2,000 pieces
Minting quality: proof
Price: €52.42 plus V.A.T.
Coin designed by: G. Stamatopoulos
Launch of sales: 28/09/2016



**€6 MINI SILVER COIN DEDICATED TO:
«50 YEARS OF TELEVISION IN GREECE»**



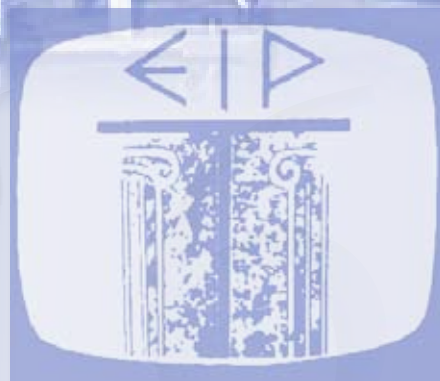
50 YEARS OF TELEVISION IN GREECE

Greek television made its debut on 23 February 1966, when the National Radio Foundation (EIR) conducted a two-hour test broadcast to an estimated 2,000 viewers in Athens. Soon afterwards, the Armed Forces Television, later known as the Armed Forces Information Service (YENED), began its own broadcasts. Both EIR (renamed EIRT to reflect its expansion to television) and YENED, despite undergoing a number of name changes, continued to define Greece's television landscape until the advent of private television in 1989. To this day, the Hellenic Broadcasting Corporation (ERT), established in 1975, remains Greece's public broadcaster.

Since then, television has made its way into every Greek household and evolved from black-and-white to colour, from analogue to digital and further on to web and interactive, providing information, entertainment, communication and opening a window onto the world.



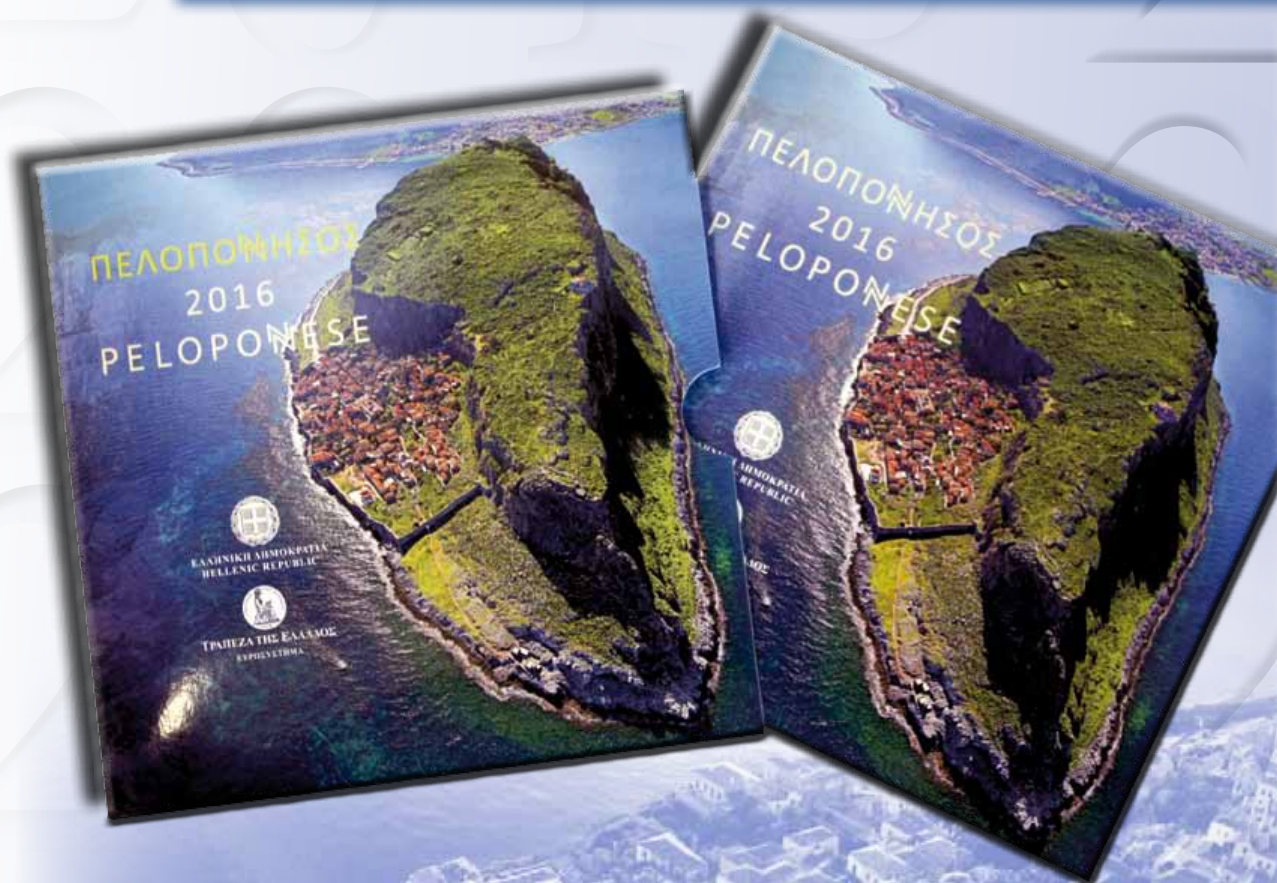
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«50 YEARS OF TELEVISION IN GREECE»**



Technical specifications:

Denomination: €6
Diameter: 28.50 mm
Weight: 10 gr
Edge: plain
Metal: silver 92.5% (Ag)
Packaging: coin box with certificate of authenticity
Maximum issue: 1,500 pieces
Minting quality: proof
Price: €32.26 plus V.A.T.
Coin designed by: M. Antonatou
Launch of sales: 15/09/2016

**BLISTER SET DEDICATED TO: «GREEK TOURISM — PELOPONNESE»
CONTAINING ALL EIGHT DENOMINATIONS OF 2016 GREEK EURO COINS**



PELOPONNESE

The Peloponnese is Greece's largest peninsula, separated from the mainland by the Corinth canal. It draws its name from the mythical hero Pelops. Originally the cradle of the Mycenaean civilisation, which flourished mainly in the Argolis and Messenia regions, the Peloponnese retained its prominence throughout Greek antiquity: in the Archaic Age with the emergence of city-states like Sparta and Corinth and the rise of Panhellenic sanctuaries at Olympia, Isthmia and Nemea, where athletic games were held; in the Classical Age with the Spartan hegemony; and in Hellenistic times with the establishment of the Achaean League. The Peloponnese was conquered in succession by the Romans, the Franks, the Venetians and, finally, the Turks, but not before the last Byzantine renaissance under the Despotate of Mystras in Laconia. The Peloponnese served as a launch-pad for the Greek War of Independence in 1821 and then formed the core of the modern Greek state, with Nafplio declared Greece's first capital. Today the region combines a traditional agricultural economy with an expanding tourism sector, attracting visitors with important monuments from all periods of history, traditional settlements and areas of outstanding beauty.

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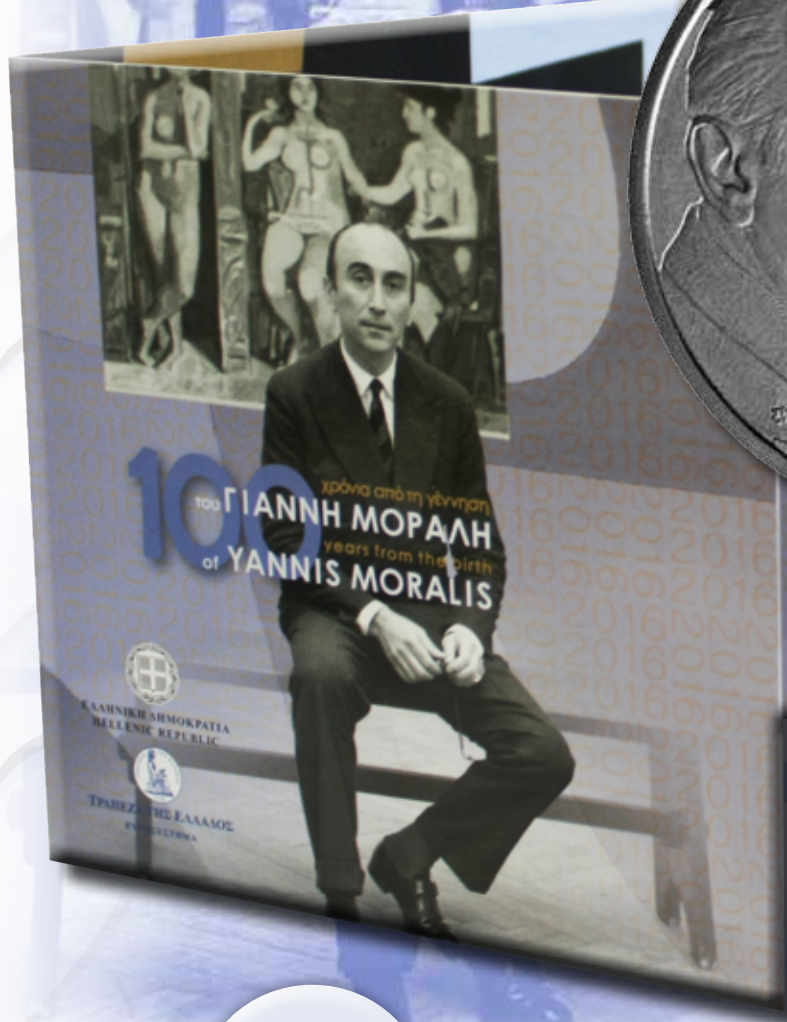


Technical specifications:

Packaging: blister set
Maximum issue: 15,000 pieces
Minting quality: brilliant uncirculated
Price: €13.01 plus V.A.T.
Packaging designed by: A. Michelioudaki
Launch of sales: 24/06/2016



**BLISTER WITH €5 COLLECTOR COIN COMMEMORATING
«100 YEARS FROM THE BIRTH OF YANNIS MORALIS»**



YANNIS MORALIS (1916-2009)

Yannis Moralis was a leading figure in 20th-century Greek art and a prominent representative of the “Generation of the Thirties”. He studied at the Athens School of Fine Arts, initially attending the Sunday classes of Nikos Nikolaou while still in high school and later with Dimitrios Geraniotis, Konstantinos Parthenis, Oumvertos Argyros, Yannis Kefallinos, etc. as teachers. He spent three years in Paris, where he trained in painting, murals and mosaics. He taught at the Athens School of Fine Arts for 35 years, influencing generations of artists.

Apart from paintings, his multifaceted oeuvre also includes engravings, sculpture, murals, ceramics, sets and costumes for theatre productions, book illustrations and record covers, as well as artwork integrated into architectural design. By successfully combining the classical with the modern, Moralis became one of the prime exponents of “Greek modernism”. However diverse his work may have been, ranging in subject-matter and style from realism to geometric abstraction, it remained fundamentally centred on man and the themes of love and death.

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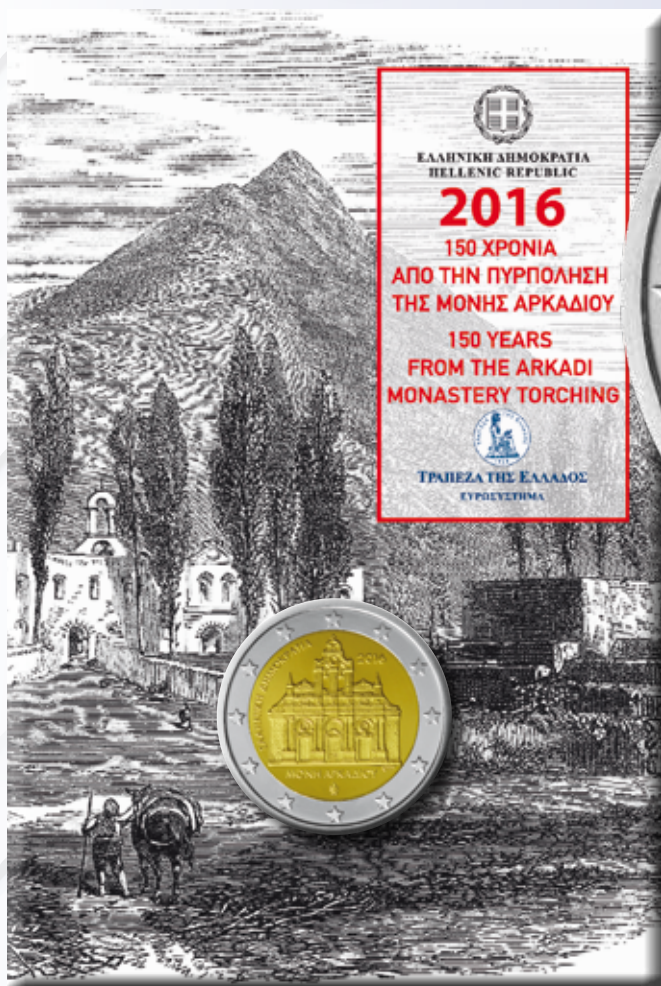


Technical specifications:

Denomination: €5
Diameter: 30.50 mm
Weight: 18.8 gr
Edge: plain
Metal: alloy of copper, zinc, nickel
Packaging: blister pack
Maximum issue: 6,500 pieces
Minting quality: circulation
Price: €6.45 plus V.A.T.
Coin designed by: G. Stamatopoulos
Packaging designed by: A. Michelioudaki
Launch of sales: 31/10/2016



**€2 COMMEMORATIVE CIRCULATION COIN:
«150 YEARS FROM THE ARKADI MONASTERY TORCHING»**



**150 YEARS FROM
THE ARKADI MONASTERY TORCHING**

The heroic decision of the besieged Cretans to set fire to the gunpowder kegs in the Arkadi Monastery on 8 November 1866 was a dramatic climax of the 1866 Cretan uprising. One hundred and fifty years on, this act of self-sacrifice remains a luminous example and source of inspiration for the Greek people.

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150 ΧΡΟΝΙΑ ΑΠΟ ΤΗΝ ΠΥΡΠΟΛΗΤΗ ΤΗΣ ΜΟΝΗΣ ΑΡΚΑΔΙΟΥ

Η ηρωική απόφαση των πολιορκημένων Κρητών να ανατινάξουν την πυριτιδαποθήκη της Μονής Αρκαδίου στις 8 Νοεμβρίου 1866 αποτέλεσε τη δραματική κορύφωση της Κρητικής Επανάστασης του 1866. 150 χρόνια μετά, η αυτοθυσία των επαναστατών αποτελεί φωτεινό παράδειγμα και διαχρονική πηγή έμπνευσης για τους Έλληνες.

Τεχνικές προδιαγραφές και λοιπές πληροφορίες
Ονομαστική αξία: €2
Διάμετρος: 25,75 χιλιοστά
Βάρος: 8,50 γραμμάρια
Πάχος σιερόνης: 2,20 χιλιοστά
Μορφή σιερόνης: λεπτή οδόντωσις/περιφερειακή γραφή
Υλικό δοκούλου: χαλκονικέλιο
Υλικό πυρήνα: νικέλιο-ορείχαλκος
Ποιότητα τύπωσις: κυκλοφορίας
Μέγιστη ποσότητα τύπωσις: 6.500 τεμάχια
Καλλιτέχνης κέρματος: Γεώργιος Σταματοπούλος
Καλλιτέχνης συσκευασίας: Αρετή Μιχελιουδάκη
Νομισματικό κέντρο: Τράπεζα της Ελλάδος/Ι.Ε.Τ.Α.

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Technical specifications and other information
Denomination: €2
Diameter: 25.75 mm
Weight: 8.50 gr
Thickness: 2.20 mm
Edge: fine milled/edge lettering
Ring material: copper-nickel
Inner material: nickel-brass
Minting quality: circulation
Maximum issue: 6,500 packs
Coin designed by: George Stamatopoulos
Packaging designed by: Areti Michelioudaki
Minted at: Bank of Greece/Printing Works Department

Οι φωτογραφίες είναι ευγενική προσφορά της Εφορείας Αρχαιοτήτων Ρεθύμνου, ΥΠ.ΠΟ.Α., Τ.Α.Π.

Photos courtesy of the Ephorate of Antiquities of Rethymno, Ministry of Culture and Sport, Archaeological Receipts Fund.



Technical specifications:

Denomination: €2

Diameter: 25.75 mm

Weight: 8.50 gr

Thickness: 2.20 mm

Edge: fine milled/edge lettering

Ring material: copper nickel

Inner material: nickel brass

Minting quality: circulation

• Maximum issue of coins in rolls: 742,000 pieces

Price: €50

Launch of sales: 21/12/2016

• Maximum issue of coins in blister packaging:

6,500 pieces

Price: €4.03 plus V.A.T.

Launch of sales: 16/12/2016

Coin designed by: G. Stamatopoulos

Packaging designed by: A. Michelioudaki

**€2 COMMEMORATIVE CIRCULATION COIN:
«120 YEARS FROM THE BIRTH OF DIMITRI MITROPOULOS»**



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**120 χρόνια από τη γέννηση του
Δημήτρη Μητρόπουλου**

Ο Δημήτρης Μητρόπουλος (1896-1960) υπήρξε σημαντικός συνθέτης, πιανίστας και ένας από τους κορυφαίους διευθυντές ορχήστρας του 20ού αιώνα. Η μακρά θητεία του ως Μουσικό Διευθυντή της Φιλαρμονικής της Νέας Υόρκης και η παγκόσμια καταξίωση του τον καθιστούν μία από τις πιο αξιόλογες καλλιτεχνικές φυσιογνωμίες της νεότερης Ελλάδας.

Τεχνικές προδιαγραφές και λοιπά στοιχεία

Ονομαστική αξία: €2
Διάμετρος: 25,75 mm
Βάρος: 8,50 γραμμάρια
Πάχος: 2,20 mm
Μορφή άκρων: λεπτή οδοντωτή/ελαφρώς γροφάτη
Υλικό εξωτερικού κυλίνδρου: χαλκός-νικέλιο
Υλικό εσωτερικού κυλίνδρου: νικέλιο-χαλκός
Πάχος κτύπου: κτύπος
Μέγιστη έκδοση: 742.000 κομμάτια
Καλλιτεχνικός σχέδια: Γεώργιος Σταματοπούλος
Καλλιτεχνική αδειοδότηση: Αρτέμης Μιχελιουδάκη
Νομισματικό τμήμα της ΕΑΜΕΠ/Ε.Τ.Α.


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Inner material: nickel-brass
Minting quality: circulation
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Coin designed by: George Stamatopoulos
Packaging designed by: Artemi Michelioudaki
Minted at: Bank of Greece/Printing Works Department

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Photos courtesy of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens, Gennadius Library, Dimitri Mitropoulos Archive.



Official Mint coin set



Technical specifications:

Denomination: €2
Diameter: 25.75 mm
Weight: 8.50 gr
Thickness: 2.20 mm
Edge: fine milled/edge lettering
Ring material: copper nickel
Inner material: nickel brass
Minting quality: circulation

- Maximum issue of coins in rolls: 742,000 pieces

Price: €50
Launch of sales: 21/12/2016

- Maximum issue of coins in blister packaging: 6,500 pieces

Price: €4.03 plus V.A.T.
Launch of sales: 16/12/2016
Coin designed by: G. Stamatopoulos
Packaging designed by: A. Michelioudaki

**€200 GOLD COIN DEDICATED TO:
«GREEK CULTURE — PHILOSOPHERS — DEMOKRITOS»**



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**€200 GOLD COIN DEDICATED TO:
«GREEK CULTURE — PHILOSOPHERS — DEMOKRITOS»**



Technical specifications:

Denomination: €200
Diameter: 22.10 mm
Weight: 7.98 gr
Edge: plain
Metal: gold 916‰ (Au), silver 53‰ (Ag)
Packaging: wooden box with certificate of authenticity
Maximum issue: 1,000 pieces
Minting quality: proof
Price: €365.86 plus V.A.T.
Coin designed by: G. Stamatopoulos
Launch of sales: 31/05/2016



€100 MINI GOLD PLUS COIN DEDICATED TO:
«GREEK MYTHOLOGY — THE OLYMPIAN GODS — POSEIDON»



POSEIDON

Poseidon, the god of the sea, held an important position among the twelve Olympian deities and his cult is already attested in Mycenaean times. When he and his brothers Zeus and Hades (Pluto), all sons of Kronos and Rhea, drew lots to divide the universe between them, Zeus won the rule of the heavens, Poseidon the sea, and Hades the underworld. Married to the sea nymph Amphitrite, Poseidon had his palace at the bottom of the sea and his symbol was the trident. However, he also had power over the earth, due to his ability to cause earthquakes, as indicated by one of his epithets *enosichthon* (the earth-shaker). Other epithets indicate a close association with horses (*Poseidon Hippios*) and bulls (*Poseidon Tavrēios*). Important temples to Poseidon were erected on the Isthmus of Corinth and at Cape Tainaron, while one of Attica's most iconic monuments is the Temple of Poseidon at Cape Sounion.

**€100 MINI GOLD PLUS COIN DEDICATED TO:
«GREEK MYTHOLOGY — THE OLYMPIAN GODS — POSEIDON»**

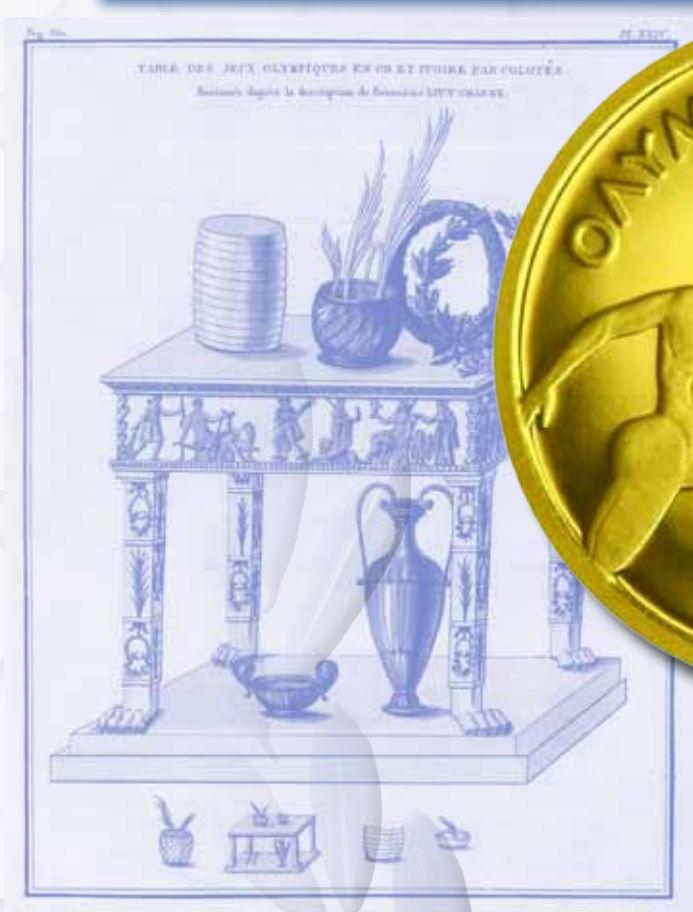


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Metal: gold 99.99% (Au)
Packaging: wooden box with certificate of authenticity
Maximum issue: 1,200 pieces
Minting quality: proof
Price: €162.60 plus V.A.T.
Coin designed by: M. Antonatou
Launch of sales: 07/07/2016



**€50 MINI GOLD COIN DEDICATED TO:
«CULTURAL HERITAGE — OLYMPIA»**



OLYMPIA

UNESCO-listed since 1989, Olympia is one of Greece's most important archaeological sites, with its Temple of Zeus, Temple of Hera (Heraion), palaestra and gymnasium. It was already a centre of worship to Olympian Zeus in the 11th century BC and became the venue of the Olympic Games in the 8th century BC, with the sacred truce providing the participants safe passage to the games. The so-called "treasuries", erected to house the votive offerings of the various city-states, attest to the prestige that Olympia enjoyed throughout the Greek world, from Sicily and Magna Graecia to Northern Africa and ancient Byzantium. Participation in the Games was at first reserved only to Greeks, but in the Roman era was opened up to all the nations of the empire, turning the Olympics into a truly international event. With the modern revival of the Games in 1896, Olympia has become a universal symbol of fair play, sportsmanship and peaceful co-existence.

**€50 MINI GOLD COIN DEDICATED TO:
«CULTURAL HERITAGE — OLYMPIA»**



Technical specifications:

Denomination: €50

Diameter: 14 mm

Weight: 1 gr

Edge: plain

Metal: gold 99.99% (Au)

Packaging: wooden box with certificate of authenticity

Maximum issue: 1,500 pieces

Minting quality: proof

Price: €60.98 plus V.A.T.

Coin designed by: M. Antonatou

Launch of sales: 24/06/2016

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Technical specifications:

Denomination: €2
Diameter: 25.75 mm
Weight: 8.50 gr
Thickness: 2.20 mm
Edge: fine milled/edge lettering
Ring material: copper nickel
Inner material: nickel brass
Packaging: coin box with certificate of authenticity
Maximum coin issue: 1,500 pieces
Minting quality: proof
Price: €13.01 plus V.A.T.
Coin designed by: G. Stamatopoulos
Launch of sales: 16/12/2016



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Maximum coin issue: 1,500 pieces
Minting quality: proof
Price: €13.01 plus V.A.T.
Coin designed by: G. Stamatopoulos
Launch of sales: 16/12/2016



**PROOF COIN SET CONTAINING ALL EIGHT DENOMINATIONS
OF 2016 GREEK EURO COINS IN A WOODEN BOX**

Technical specifications:

Maximum coin issue: 2,000 pieces

Minting quality: proof

Price: €60.97 plus V.A.T.

Packaging: wooden box with certificate of authenticity

Launch of sales: 14/11/2016



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