SPINOSAURUS AEGYPTIACUS





Series Supersaurs

Face value € 3

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Design H. Andexlinger / A. Rastl

Diameter 34 mm
Quality Uncirculated
Mintage 65,000
Alloy Coloured metal
Total Weight 16.00 g
Edge Plain

Colour application, glow in the dark, no packaging.

Recommended

initial issue price: € 12.60 (incl. 20% VAT)



At 18 metres in length and weighing a whopping 9 tons, the *Spinosaurus* was the largest carnivore to have ever walked the Earth, even outranking that most iconic of prehistoric predators, the *Tyrannosaurus rex*. As such, *Spinosaurus* is the perfect way to launch our superlative 12-coin *Supersaurs* series, which brings prehistoric giants back to life in the shape of 12 superb glow-in-the-dark coins.

Each one of the 12 prehistoric beasts featured in the series possessed an exceptional quality, such as the most sophisticated hunting skills, the longest claws or the most powerful bite, to name but a few.

Meaning 'spine lizard', *Spinosaurus Aegyptiacus* lived some 100 million years ago in what is now known as North Africa, where *Spinosaurus* remains were discovered for the first time in Egypt in 1912. The head and jaws of the dinosaur were long and narrow, not unlike those of the contemporary crocodile, and like that semiaquatic reptile, the *Spinosaurus* is thought to have been at home both on land and in water, and to have existed on a diet of both land and marine animals. One major difference between the *Spinosaurus* and the contemporary crocodile, other than size, was the presence of distinctive 1.65-metre long spines on the dinosaur's back. There is some debate about whether they were covered in fat and formed a hump or were joined by skin and formed a sail-like protrusion, not to mention the actual function of the appendage, be it temperature control or simply display.

COIN MOTIF

Spinosaurus features all 12 prehistoric animals in the *Supersaurs* series in silhouette on its obverse, while a colour-printed *Spinosaurus* is shown on the coin's glow-in-the-dark reverse. All 12 of the 3 euro coins in the *Supersaurs* series are legal tender in Austria.





Price: € 19.80 (incl. 10 % VAT)

Colourful Creatures Collector album with 40 Pages, coins not included.

COLLECTOR ALBUM SUPERSAURS SERIES

The Collector Album answers a lot of questions

Which dinosaur was the most sophisticated predator? Which had the longest claws, the most powerful bite, the strongest armour. Which was the most intelligent, the smallest, the most dangerous, the most unusual? The special characteristics of the prehistoric creatures featured make them all fascinating.

The Collector album includes lots of lifelike yet imaginative illustrations as well as fascinating information about the super talents of the dinosaurs featured. Packed with huge personalities and crazy characters, the album is the perfect way for dinosaur fans of all ages to get up close and personal with their extinct friends.

SERIES OVERVIEW

