

100 EURO GOLD COIN

GOLD OF THE PHARAOHS



Series	Magic of Gold
Face Value	€ 100
Date of Issue	4 November 2020
Coin Design	H. Wähner
Diameter	30 mm
Quality	Proof
Mintage	20,000
Alloy	Gold Au 986
Fine Weight	1/2 oz (15.56 g)
Total Weight	15.78 g
Edge	Plain



Recommended initial issue price: € 929 (Tax free)

Comes in a case complete with a numbered certificate of authenticity and protective slipcase.

An aura of mystery surrounds *The Gold of the Pharaohs*, the second coin in The Magic of Gold series, which traces the mysterious nature of gold in Ancient cultures. Made of pure gold, the 'flesh of the gods' and the symbol of eternity in Ancient Egypt, the coin features the death mask of the 'boy king', Tutankhamun. More than 3,000 years old, the most celebrated of all the famous burial objects uncovered in Egypt's Valley of the Kings is still casting its spell in the 21st century.

Inscrutable in its beauty, the face of Tutankhamun guards the secret of the Pharaohs and tells the story in pictures of what took place more than 3,000 years ago. In the 14th century BC, Tutankhamun's father, Akhenaten, declared the sun god, Aten, the one and only god and the Pharaoh his only representative on earth. When Akhenaten died in the seventeenth year of his reign, his successor was still a little boy, but Tutankhamun ascended to the throne just four years later. The Priesthood and officials, it is presumed, made Tutankhamun rescind his father's reforms and restore ancient Egyptian polytheism by reintroducing the worship of multiple gods.

Tutankhamun was not even 20 years old when he died. But thanks to Howard Carter, an iconic representation of the boy king lives on. The British archaeologist made a sensational discovery in 1922 when he came across Tutankhamun's tomb in Egypt's Valley of the Kings. As symmetrical and unearthly as it appears, on the death mask, which weighs 12 kg, Tutankhamun's face seems natural at the same time, as if the real face of the young Pharaoh has been covered with gold so that it will last for eternity.

COIN MOTIF

The coin's obverse features a collage of Ancient Egyptian images, with Tutankhamun's father Akhenaten in its centre. The elder Pharaoh is on his knees with hands raised in homage to the sun god, Aten, as the lance-shaped rays of the solar disk descend towards him. In the background we see a sarcophagus containing a Pharaoh, under which the hieroglyphic for gold can be seen.



MAGIC OF GOLD COLLECTORS CASE

This stylish and sophisticated collector case is the ideal place to store all the coins in the magnificent *Magic of Gold* series. The ornately illustrated brass inlay on the lid provides a fitting foretaste of the six stunning gold coins held within.

Price: € 90 (incl. 20% VAT)
Collector Case, coins not included

SERIES OVERVIEW



The Gold of Mesopotamia

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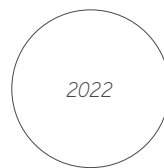


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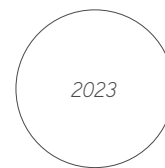
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The Gold of the Scythians



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