

3-EURO-SUPERSAURS

STYRACOSAURUS ALBERTENSIS



Series	Supersaurs
Face value	€ 3
Date of Issue	15 September 2021
Design	K. Kuntner / H. Andexlinger
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)

WITH
COLOURED
GLOW-IN-THE-DARK
EFFECT



They may have looked terrifying but the spikes and horns that protruded from the head of *Styracosaurus albertensis* were not necessarily used for violent purposes. The subject of the eighth coin in the *Supersaurs* series had four to six long spikes extending from its neck frill, a smaller horn on each cheek, and a single horn, up to 60 cm long and 15 cm wide, protruding from its nose. The function of those horns has long been the subject of scientific debate.

In the case of some horned dinosaurs, horns certainly served as defence in the event of attack, although the neck frill would have been punctured quickly in combat. Bite marks of a *Tyrannosaurus rex* have been found on the frill of a *Triceratops*, for example. Another possibility is that males with bigger, more elaborate and more visible headgear had a better chance of intimidating their rivals in the herd and attracting available females during the mating season. The frills may also have been decorated with eye-catching patterns and bright colours, which could have served as a distinguishing feature or helped established the hierarchy within the herd. Who knows, they may also have served to impress their enemies to the extent that they would not even consider attacking *Styracosaurus* in the first place.

COIN MOTIF

Styracosaurus albertensis features all 12 of the extreme prehistoric animals in the *Supersaurs* series in silhouette on its obverse, while a colour-printed *Styracosaurus* is followed by a snarling *Tyrannosaurus rex* in the background of the coin's glow-in-the-dark reverse. The 3 euro *Supersaurs* coins are legal tender in Austria.

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.

Price: € 19.80 (incl. 10% VAT)

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

SERIES OVERVIEW



Spinosaurus
aegyptiacus

2019



Mosasaurus
hoffmanni

2020



Arambourgiania
philadelphiae

2020



Ankylosaurus
magniventris

2020



Tyrannosaurus
rex

2020



Therizinosaurus
cheloniformis

2020



Deinonychus
antirrhopus

2021



Styracosaurus
albertensis



Argentinosaurs
huinculensis



Microraptor
gui



Pachy-
cephalosaurs
wyomingensis



Ornithomimus
velox