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## ANCIENT COINAGE

## Tuesday, January 9, 2024 7pm EST



1 Central Europe, Vindelici. Silver Quinarius ( 1.71 g ), 1st century BC., 9 mm . Stylized head left. Reverse: Horse prancing left; above, large pellet. Kellner, Manching 167. Toned. Short, thick flan. Very Fine.

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Iberia, Sekobirikes. Silver Denarius ( 3.88 g ), ca. 120-30 BC, 20 mm . Saelices (Cuenca). Male head right; behind, crescent; below, Iberian letter S. Reverse: 'SEKOBIRIKES' (in Iberian), helmeted horseman galloping right, holding spear. ACIP 2168; CNH p. 292, 8. Extremely Fine.


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Iberia, Punic issues. Silver Shekel (7.34 g), ca. 218-206 BC, 22 mm . Carthago Nova. Bare male head (Hannibal?) left. Reverse: Horse standing right; palm tree behind. ACIP 603; SNG BM Spain 104-5. Lightly toned. Short flan crack and light polishing in the reverse field. Choice Very Fine.

While the horse and palm tree reverse of this coin may refer to the origin of Carthage, the head on the obverse is less certain. Although it could represent the Carthaginian deity Melkart, it gives the strong impression of a portrait. This has led to the suggestion that it represents none other than Hannibal Barca, the legendary Carthaginian general who waged war on Rome for two decades.


Gaul, Massalia. Silver Drachm ( 2.75 g ), ca. 125-90 BC, 17 mm . Light standard. Diademed and draped bust of Artemis right, bow and quiver at shoulder. Reverse: MA $\Sigma \Sigma \mathrm{A}-\Lambda \mathrm{IHT} \Omega \mathrm{N}$, lion standing right, raising foreleg; below, П K. F\&P DRM-41-31. Lustrous and pristine. NGC grade MS; Strike: $5 / 5$, Surface: $4 / 5$.


Calabria, Taras. Silver Nomos, ca. $340-335$ B, 21 mm . Z.. and K..., magistrates. Nude youth on horse rearing right; to right, nude youth standing before the horse and restraining or comforting it; above, Nike flying right, crowning the rider; below, Z. Reverse: TAPA, Phalanthos, nude, holding vase, riding dolphin left; to right, K. Fischer-Bossert Group 53, 715 (V266/R559); Vlasto 527; HN Italy 892;. NGC grade Ch VF.


Calabria, Taras. Silver 3/4 Obol ( 0.43 g ), ca. $\mathbf{3 2 5 - 2 8 0 \mathrm { BC } , 9 \mathrm { mm } \text { . Head of horse left. Reverse: }}$ [TAPAE], Head of horse right. Cf. Vlasto 1695, 1702 and 1706; HN Italy 981. Toned. Choice Very Fine.


Calabria, Taras. Silver Nomos ( 7.86 g), ca. $315-302$ BC, 20 mm . Dai.. and Phi.., magistrates. Warrior on horseback right, holding trident and shield, and preparing to cast a third; below, $\mathrm{\Sigma A}$. Reverse: TAPAE, Youthful oikist, nude, riding dolphin to leff, holding trident and shield decorated with a hippocamp; to leff, ФI; below dolphin, murex shell. Fischer-Bossert 987 (V383/R758). HN Italy 935 . NGC grade XF; Strike: $4 / 5$, Surface: $4 / 5$.


Calabria, Taras. Silver Diobol ( 0.98 g ), ca. 302-228 BC, 11 mm . Head of Athena right, wearing crested helmeted decorated with a hippocamp. Reverse: Herakles kneeling right, strangling the Nemean lion. Vlasto 1327; SNG ANS 1367ff. Nicely toned. Good Very Fine.


9 Calabria, Taras. Silver Nomos ( 6.51 g), ca. 272-240 BC, 19 mm . Sy.. and Lykinos, magistrates. Youth on horseback left, crowning horse with wreath; behind and below in two lines, magistrate's names: $\Sigma \Upsilon$ and $\Lambda \Upsilon K I / N O \Sigma$. Reverse: TA-PA $\Sigma$, Phalanthos riding dolphin left, hurling trident; behind, owl standing left, head facing. Vlasto 836; HN Italy 1025. NGC grade AU; Strike: 4/5, Surface: $5 / 5$.

The reverse type refers to the miraculous salvation of Phalanthos, the Parthenian founder of Taras, who was said to have fallen overboard as he made the crossing from Greece to Southern Italy. He would have drowned if not for a dolphin that swam to his aid and carried him to safety on the Italian shore. He founded Taras not far from the site where he was brought to land.


10 Calabria, Taras. Silver Nomos ( 6.36 g), ca. 272-240 BC, 20 mm . Di.. and Aristokles, magistrates. Warrior, holding shield and two spears, preparing to cast a third, on horseback galloping right; behind and below in two lines, magistrate's names: $\triangle \mathrm{I}$ and API- $\mathrm{ETO} / \mathrm{K} \Lambda$-HZ. Reverse: TA-PA, Phalanthos riding dolphin left, holding kantharos and trident; behind, head of nymph left. Vlasto 880; HN Italy 1033. NGC grade Ch XF; Strike: 4/5, Surface: $5 / 5$.


11 Calabria, Taras. $\frac{2 \mathrm{x}}{\mathrm{Silver}} \operatorname{Nomos}(6.47 \mathrm{~g})$, ca. 272-240 BC, 20 mm . Di.. and Aristokles, magistrates. Warrior, holding shield and two spears, preparing to cast a third, on horseback galloping right; behind and below in two lines, magistrate's names: $\Delta \mathrm{I}$ and API- $\mathrm{\Sigma TO} / \mathrm{K} \Lambda-\mathrm{H} \Sigma$. Reverse: TAPAE, Phalanthos riding dolphin left, holding kantharos and trident; behind, head of nymph left. Vlasto 880; HN Italy 1033. Well centered and boldly struck. NGC grade AU; Strike: 4/5, Surface: 4/5.


12 Calabria, Taras. Silver $\operatorname{Nomos}(6.55 \mathrm{~g})$, ca. $272-240 \mathrm{BC}, 19 \mathrm{~mm}$. Herakletos, magistrate. Nude rider on horse walking right, holding spear and shield; below, |-HPAK/ $\Lambda H T O \Sigma$. Reverse: BA $\Sigma \mathrm{I} \Lambda \mathrm{E} \Omega \Sigma$ $\Delta$ HMHTPIO $\Sigma \Omega$ THPO $\Sigma$, Youthful oikist, nude, riding dolphin to left, holding flower and cornucopiae; to right, $\mathrm{E} \Pi$ monogram and thymiaterion. Vlasto 892 ; HN Italy 1037. NGC grade AU; Strike: $4 / 5$, Surface: $4 / 5$.


13 Calabria, Taras. Silver Nomos (6.42 g), ca. 272-240 BC, 18 mm . Aristokles, magistrate. Helmeted soldier on horse galloping right, holding shield and spear; below, API $\Sigma$ TOK. Reverse: [TAPA $\Sigma$ ], Taras on dolphin left, carrying trident, being crowned by Nike flying above to right; below, rudder. Vlasto 899-902; HN Italy 1039. Darkly toned and attractive. Choice Extremely Fine.

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Lucania, Herakleia.SilverNomos, ca.330/25-281 BC,20mm. Aris.., magistrate.|-HPAK Head of Athena right, wearing crested Corinthian helmet adorned with Skylla hurling a stone on the bowl; behind neck guard, E. Reverse: Herakles standing facing, holding club, bow and arrow, and with lion's skin draped over arm; to upper left, owl standing right; to left, API $\Sigma$. Van Keuren 87; HN Italy 1385. NGC grade Ch VF.

Lucania, Metapontion. Silver Nomos, ca. 340-330 BC, 22mm. Pa and Ami.., magistrates Helmeted head of Leukippos right; behind, lion's head right; below chin, ПА monogram. Reverse: META, ear of barley with leaf to left; above leaf, club; below leaf, AMI. Johnston class B, 2; HN III 1575. NGC grade Ch VF. Fine style.


16 Lucania, Metapontion. Silver Nomos, ca. 340-330 BC, 19 mm . Ami.,, magistrate. Helmeted head of Leukippos right; behind, AMI. Reverse: META, ear of barley with leaf to right; above leaf, thunderbolt. Johnston class B, 4; HN III 1577. NGC grade Ch VF.


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Lucania, Metapontion. Silver Nomos, ca. 330-290 BC, 20mm. Da.., magistrate. Head of Demeter left, wearing a grain wreath, pendant earring and necklace. Reverse: META, ear of barley with leaf to left; to left above leaf, fork or rake; below leaf, $\Delta \mathrm{A}$. Johnston class C, 5; HN III 1582. NGC grade Ch VF.



Lucania, Metapontion. Silver Nomos, ca. 330-290 BC, 21 mm . Atha.., magistrate. Head of Demeter left, wearing a grain wreath, pendant earring and necklace. Reverse: META, ear of barley with leaf to left; above leaf, tongs; below leaf, A $\Theta$ A. Johnston class C, 4; HN III 1583. NGC grade Ch VF.


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19 Lucania, Metapontion. Silver Nomos, ca. 330-290 BC, 20 mm . Ly.., magistrate. Head of Demeter left, wearing a grain wreath, pendant earring and necklace. Reverse: META, ear of barley with leaf to left; above leaf, griffin springing right; below leaf, $\Lambda \Upsilon$. Johnston class C, 6; HN III 1589. NGC grade Ch VF.


20 Lucania, Metapontion. Silver Nomos, ca. 330-290 BC, 21mm. Ly.., magistrate. Head of Demeter right, wearing a grain wreath, pendant earring and necklace. Reverse: META, ear of barley with leaf to right; above leaf, star of sixteen rays; below to left, $\Lambda \Upsilon$. Johnston class C, 8; HN III 1592. NGC grade XF.


21 Lucania, Thourion. Silver Double Nomos ( 15.66 g), ca. $400-350 \mathrm{BC}, 27 \mathrm{~mm}$. Head of Athena left, wearing crested Attic helmet adorned with Skylla raising her right hand as if to shade her eyes as she looks off in the distance; behind neck guard, $\Delta$. Reverse: $\Theta$ OケPI $\Omega$ N, Bull butting right; in exergue, fish to right. Noe D4 (same dies); $\backslash$ SNG ANS 960; HN Italy 1804. NGC grade Ch F; Strike: $5 / 5$, Surface: $3 / 5$. Fine style.


22 Lucania, Thourion. Silver Double Nomos (15.45 g), ca. 400-350 BC, 23 mm . Head of Athena left, wearing crested Attic helmet decorated with Skylla; behind neck guard, O. Reverse: $\Theta O Y P I \Omega N$, Bull butting righ; in exergue, fish right. Noe, Thurian grp. F; HN Italy 1805. NGC grade Ch F; Strike: $4 / 5$, Surface: $3 / 5$.


23 Sicily, Aitna. Silver Obol ( 0.65 g ), ca. $470-466$ BC, 10 mm . Bearded head of Silenos right. Reverse: AIT-NAI, winged thunderbolt. Boehringer 77b, pl. 7, 5-6; SNG ANS 1239 var. (arrangement of ethnic). Small edge chips and some hornsilver. Good Very Fine.

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Sicily, Aitna. The Campani. Æ Drachm ( 34.89 g), ca. 340-330 BC, 30 mm . Bull butting left; above, TA monogram. Reverse: Sixteen-rayed star. CNS 1; SNG ANS 1234. Very Rare. Nearly Very Fine.


Sicily, Akragas. Silver Litra ( 0.59 g ), ca. $450-440 \mathrm{BC}, 8 \mathrm{~mm}$. Eagle with closed wings standing left on Ionic capital. Reverse: Crab; below, $\Lambda$ I. Westermark 455-488 (uncertain dies); SNG ANS 992. Good Very Fine.
 and quite lovely. Extremely Fine. shortly thereafter.

Sicily, Alontion. Æ ( 5.83 g ), ca. 210-180 BC, 20 mm . Male head (or possibly the head of Roma) to left, wearing Phrygian helmet. Reverse: $\mathrm{A} \Lambda \mathrm{ONTIN} \Omega \mathrm{N}$, Man-headed bull standing left, spouting water; in exergue, crab. CNS I 2. HGC 2, 214. Very Rare, especially in this condition. Sharply struck

A native Sikel city, Alontion claimed a Greek origin, assigning the city's foundation to Patron of Akarnania, the man who guided Aeneas and the Trojans on their tour of Sicily. The head on the obverse, sporting a Phrygian helmet, is usually identified as male, although it may instead be the Roman goddess Roma, and copied from Roman didrachms of the mid third century. If so, then this coin should probably be seen as an issue struck late in the First Punic War (264-241 BC) or


Sicily, Gela. Silver Litra ( 0.63 g ), ca. 465-450 BC, 12 mm . Bridled horse standing right; above, wreath. Reverse: $\mathrm{CE} \Lambda[\mathrm{A} \Sigma]$ (retrograde), Forepart of man-headed bull right. Jenkins grp. III, 327; HGC 2, 373. Superb Extremely Fine.


Sicily, Gela. Silver Tetradrachm ( 16.67 g), ca. 450-440 BC, 24 mm . Charioteer, holding kentron and reins, driving slow quadriga right; above, Nike flying right, crowning horses with wreath; in exergue, palmette with tendrils. Reverse: [CE $\wedge \mathrm{A} \Sigma$ ], forepart of man-headed bull left. Jenkins grp. IV, 346 (O66/R136); HGC 2, 343. Light toning. Nearly Very Fine.


29 Sicily, Gela. Æ Onkia (1.01 g), ca. $420-45 \mathrm{BC}, 9 \mathrm{~mm}$. Bull standing left; above, barley corn. Reverse: CE $\Lambda A \Sigma$, Horned head of the river-god Gelas right; behind, barley corn. CNS III 33; SNG ANS -; HGC 2, 382. Choice Very Fine.


30 Sicily, Himera. Silver Litra ( 0.76 g), ca. 420 BC, 11 mm . Forepart of winged sphinx to left, with bearded male head and goat horns. Reverse: IM-E-R-AI-ON, Pan, nude, riding goat left, holding goat's horn and lagobolon. SNG ANS 172-3; SNG Lockett 788. Toned. Very Fine.


31 Sicily, Naxos. Silver Litra ( 0.85 g ), ca. 530-510 BC, 11 mm . Head of bearded Dionysos left. Reverse: NAE-ION (retrograde), grape bunch. Cf. Cahn pl. I, 13 (different dies); HGC 2, 967. Deeply toned. Choice Very Fine.


32 Sicily, Syracuse. Second Democracy. Silver Tetradrachm (17.25 g), 466-405 BC, 24 mm . Ca. 440-430 BC. Charioteer, holding kentron and reins, driving rearing quadriga left; above, Nike flying right, crowning charioteer with wreath. Reverse: $\mathrm{IVRAKO} \mathrm{II}-\mathrm{ON}$, head of Arethusa right, hair drawn up into a korymbos; around, four dolphins clockwise. Boehringer series XVIII, 604 (V296/ R410); SNG ANS 198 (same obv. die). Lightly toned. Very Fine.


Sicily, Syracuse. Dionysios I. Silver Hemidrachm ( 2.04 g), 405-367 BC, 15 mm . Charioteer driving galloping quadriga left; above, Nike flying right, crowning charioteer. Reverse: $[\Sigma \mathrm{YPAKO} \Sigma \mathrm{I}] \Omega \mathrm{N}$, head of Arethusa left, her hair bound with a sphendone; around, two dolphins. Jameson 834; SNG Munich 1092. Extremely Rare - the third recorded example. Toned. Very Fine.

Ex Gemini X (13 January 2013), 20
Copying the signed tetradrachms, this small hemidrachm in silver was soon replaced by overvalued bronzes.


Sicily, Syracuse. Agathokles. Electrum 50 Litrai (3.70 g), 317-289 BC, 14 mm . Ca. 310-306/5 BC. Laureate head of Apollo left; behind, lighted altar. Reverse: $\Sigma \Upsilon P A K O \Sigma I \Omega N$, tripod-lebes; above, phiale. Jenkins grp. B, dies O6/R6; cf. SNG ANS 621ff. Extremely Fine.


Sicily, Syracuse. Hiketas II. Æ ( 11.47 g), 287-278 BC, 24 mm . ca. 283-279 BC. $\Delta \mathrm{IO} \Sigma$ $\mathrm{E} \Lambda \Lambda \mathrm{ANIO} \Sigma$, laureate youthful head of Zeus Hellanios facing right; behind, palladion. Reverse: $\Sigma \mathrm{YPAK}-\mathrm{O} \Sigma \mathrm{I} \Omega \mathrm{N}$, eagle standing left on thunderbolt; in field to left, star. CNS 168; SNG ANS 803 var. Beautiful dark green patina. Extremely Fine.


Sicily, Syracuse. Hieron II. Silver Trichalkon ( 0.80 g), 275-215 BC, 11 mm . Helmeted head of Athena left. Reverse: $\Sigma$ YPAKO $\Sigma \mathrm{Y} \Omega \mathrm{N}$ (sic), large XIII; to left, trefoil of pellets; below, K. CCO 320 var. (D2/R-); BMC 669 var. (same obv. die); SNG Copenhagen 887 var. (same obv. die); HGC 2, 1426 var. Excellent metal and a very attractive example of this scarce issue. Extremely Fine.


37 Sicily, Syracuse. Philistis, wife of Hieron II. Silver 5 Litrai ( 4.48 g), 275-215 BC, 18 mm . Diademed and veiled head of Philitis left; behind, wreath. Reverse: BA $\Sigma \mathrm{I} \Lambda \mathrm{I} \Sigma \Sigma \mathrm{A} \Sigma \Phi \mathrm{I} \Lambda \mathrm{I} \Sigma \mathrm{TI} \Delta \mathrm{O} \Sigma$, Nike, holding reins, driving biga right; to right, Ф. CCO 234 (D2/R2); SNG ANS 890 (same dies); SNG Ashmolean 2111 (same dies). Attractive light gray tone with darker toning in the recesses, and of fine style. Choice Very Fine.

Ex CNA XI (3 May 1990), 24


38 Sicily, Syracuse. Gelon II, son of Hieron II. Silver 4 Litrai ( 3.35 g), 275-215 BC, 16 mm . ca. 218/7-214 BC. Diademed head of Gelon II left. Reverse: $\Sigma$ YPAKO $\Sigma$ IOI ГE $\Lambda \Omega N O \Sigma$, Eagle standing right on thunderbolt; to left, E; to right, BA. CCO 285 (D1/R1); SNG ANS 898 (same dies); SNG Lockett 1020 (same dies). Rare. Some minor porosity on the reverse. Attractive style. Nearly Extremely Fine.


Macedonia, Amphipolis. Silver Hemidrachm ( 1.47 g), 370/69 BC, 12 mm . Laureate head of Apollo facing slightly right. Reverse: АМФ-ІПО-АІТ-Е $\Omega$, on a raised square frame surrounding a race torch; all within a very shallow incuse square. Lorber 65 ; SNG ANS 81. Porous. Very Fine.


Macedonia, Chalkidian League. Silver Tetrobol ( 2.46 g), ca. 432-348 BC, 15 mm . Olynthos, ca. 430-427 BC. Laureate head of Apollo right. Reverse: X-A- $\Lambda-\mathrm{KI} \Delta-\mathrm{E} \Omega \mathrm{N}$, lyre with seven strings; the whole within shallow incuse square. Robinson \& Clement Group B (dies unrecorded); SNG ANS 526; HGC 3, 502. Nicely toned. NGC grade XF; Strike: $5 / 5$, Surface: $3 / 5$.


Macedonia, Chalkidian League. Silver Hemiobol ( 0.29 g ), ca. 398-352 BC, 8 mm . Laureate head of Apollo left. Reverse: XA^-KID, tripod. SNG ANS 544-6; HGC 3.1, 509. Very Rare. Toned. Choice Very Fine.


Macedonia, Mende. Silver Tetradrachm ( $\mathbf{1 7 . 1 7} \mathbf{g}$ ), ca. 520-480 BC, 24 mm . [MINA] (retrograde), ithyphallic ass walking right; on its back, crow perching left. Reverse: Mill sail incuse. Asyut 210. Test cut and rough surfaces. Very Fine.


Macedonia, Roman Province. Aesillas. Silver Tetradrachm (16.78 g), Quaestor, ca. 95-70 BC, 30 mm . Uncertain mint in Macedonia. [MA]KE $\triangle \mathrm{ON} \Omega \mathrm{N}$, head of the deified Alexander right; behind, $\Theta$. Reverse: AESILLAS Q in two lines above, money chest, club and chair; all within wreath. Cf. SNG Copenhagen 1330; HGC 3.1, 1110. Nicely toned with light iridescence. Extremely Fine.


44 Macedonian Kingdom. Alexander I. Silver Tetradrachm (12.55 g), 498-454 BC, 22 mm . Aigai, ca. 492-480/79 BC. Horseman, wearing chlamys and petasos, and holding two spears and reins, riding right. Reverse: Quadripartite incuse square. Raymond pl. II, 8; SNG ANS 2-5; HGC 3.1, 762. Toned. Very Fine.

Alexander I was the son of King Amyntas I of Macedonia, and is most known to history for secretly helping the Greek city states during Xerxes' invasion of Greece in 480-479 BC, although Macedonia was allied with the Achaemenid Persians. Herodotos reported that while the army of the Greek coalition was camped in the Vale of Tempe in Thessaly, Alexander warned them of the danger of their position and induced them to withdraw, saving them from certain disaster at the hands of the massive Persian army. Likewise, before the Battle of Plataea in 479, Alexander again helped the Greeks by revealing the Persian general Mardonius' battle plans.


Macedonian Kingdom. Amyntas II. Silver Didrachm (10.69 g), 395/4-393 BC, 23mm. Aigai or Pella. Male head right, wearing taenia. Reverse: AM؟NTA, Horse prancing right; all within incuse square. SNG ANS 82; HGC 3.1, 86. NGC grade XF; Strike: 3/5, Surface: 4/5. Die-shift.


Macedonian Kingdom. Perdikkas II. Silver Tetrobol (2.64 g), 451-413 BC, 16mm. Aigai(?), ca. 432-422 BC. Horseman carrying two spears on horse prancing right; below, plant. Reverse: Forepart of a lion right within incuse square. Raymond grp. IV, 230; SNG ANS 54; HGC 3.1, 792. Choice Very Fine.


Macedonian Kingdom. Alexander III 'the Great'. Silver Tetradrachm (16.36 g), 336-323 BC, 28 mm . Odessos, ca. 120-90 BC. Head of Herakles right, wearing lion's skin headress. Reverse: BA $\Sigma \mathrm{I} \Lambda \mathrm{E} \Omega \Sigma \mathrm{A} \Lambda \mathrm{E} \exists \mathrm{AN} \triangle \mathrm{POY}$, Zeus seated left, holding eagle and scepter; in left field, АГА; in exergue, $\mathrm{O} \Delta$ H. Callataÿ, p. 88, grp. 2; Price 1186. NGC grade AU; Strike: 3/5, Surface: 3/5.


Macedonian Kingdom. Alexander III 'the Great'. Silver Drachm (4.28 g), 336-323 BC, 18mm. Lampsakos, ca. 328/5-323 BC. Head of Herakles right, wearing lion's skin headdress. Reverse: A $\Lambda E \Xi A N \triangle P O \Upsilon$, Zeus seated left, holding eagle and scepter; in left field, Artemis Phosphoros standing facing, holding two torches; below throne, monogram. Price 1356. Struck from fresh dies and perfectly centered. Superb Extremely Fine.


49 Macedonian Kingdom. Alexander III 'the Great'. Silver Tetradrachm (16.33 g), 336-323 BC, 28 mm . Miletos, ca. 300-295 BC. Head of Herakles right, wearing lion's skin headdress. Reverse: A $\Lambda E \Xi A N \triangle P O \Upsilon, Z$ Zeus seated left, holding Nike and scepter; in left field, monogram; below throne, labrys. Price 2143. Well centered aand lighty toned. Hairline flan crack. Choice Extremely Fine.


Macedonian Kingdom. Alexander III 'the Great'. Silver Tetradrachm ( 16.34 g ), 336-323 BC, 32 mm . Rhodes, ca. 201-190 BC. Ainetor, magistrate. Head of Herakles right, wearing lion's skin headdress. Reverse: A $\triangle E$ ANDPO§, Zeus seated left, holding Nike and scepter; in left field, magistrate's name: AINHT $\Omega$ P above rose; below throne, PO. Price 2518; Ashton 251; SNG Keckman 598. Good Very Fine.


Macedonian Kingdom. Alexander III 'the Great'. Silver Tetradrachm ( 16.99 g), 336-323 BC, 26mm. Babylon, ca. 323 BC. Head of Herakles right, wearing lion's skin headdress. Reverse: A $\Lambda E \Xi A N \triangle P O \Upsilon$, Zeus seated left, holding Nike and scepter; in left field, ear bove M; below throne, monogram. Price 3674. Perfect centering with attractive light iridescent toning. Superb Extremely Fine.


Macedonian Kingdom. Alexander III 'the Great'. Silver Tetradrachm ( $\mathbf{1 7 . 1 1}$ g), 336-323 BC, 26mm. Babylon, ca. 315-311 BC. Head of Herakles right, wearing lion's skin headdress. Reverse: BA $\Sigma I \Lambda E \Omega \Sigma A \Lambda E \Xi A N \triangle$ PO爪, Zeus seated left, holding Nike and scepter; in left field, monogram within wreath; below throne, K $\Lambda$. Price 3713. Struck in high relief on excellent metal. Light iridescent toning. Superb Extremely Fine.


53 Macedonian Kingdom. Demetrios I Poliorketes. Silver Drachm (4.01 g), 306-283 BC, 16mm. Ephesos, ca. 301-295 BC. Diademed and horned head of Demetrios I right. Reverse: BA $\Sigma I \Lambda E \Omega \Sigma$ $\triangle$ HMHTPIOr, Poseidon standing leff, hurling trident; in left field, monogram; in right field, ivyleaf. Newell 55; HGC 3.1, -. About Very Fine.



54 Macedonian Kingdom. Demetrios I Poliorketes. Silver Tetradrachm (16.62 g), 306-283 BC, 28 mm . Salamis, ca. 300-295 BC. Nike standing left on prow of galley left, blowing trumpet and holding stylis. Reverse: BA- $\Sigma \mathrm{I} \Lambda \mathrm{E}-\Omega \Sigma \Delta \mathrm{HMHTPIOY}$, Poseidon Pelagaios standing left, seen from behind, preparing to throw trident, chlamys draped over extended left arm; in left field, monogram; in right field, ПA monogram. Newell 15; HGC 3, 1012a. Toned and well centered. Minor porosity. Very Fine.


55 Macedonian Kingdom. Time of Philip V-Perseus. Silver Tetrobol (2.44 g), ca. 221-168 BC, 15 mm . Pella or Amphipolis, ca. 184-179 BC. MA/KE, Macedonian shield with club on boss. Reverse: Macedonian helmet; to left, two monograms; to right, monogram and thunderbolt. SNG Alpha Bank -; SNG Ashmolean 3278 var.; SNG Copenhagen 1282 var. A scarce variety. Extremely Fine.

Ex NYS XXVII (4 January 2012), 319, and noted there as having been purchased by the consignor from B.A. Seaby, London, in 1984


56 Thraco-Macedonian Region, Uncertain mint. Silver Obol ( 0.75 g ), ca. 480-460 BC, 9 mm . Male goat kneeling to right on ground line. Reverse: Quadripartite incuse square. Sheedy grp. 3, 6; SNG ANS 66 (Aigai). Toned. Choice Very Fine.


Thraco-Macedonian Tribes, Orreskioi. Silver Stater (10.13 g), ca. 500-480 BC, 20mm. Naked ithyphallic satyr right, carrying off protesting nymph. Reverse: Quadripartite incuse square. Svoronos pl. VI, 22; SNG ANS 982; Asyut 96. Test cut on the obverse and the reverse with rough surfaces. Good Very Fine.

Variations of the satyr abducting a protesting nymph type are not uncommon on coinage struck by the peoples in the Thraco-Macedonian area, and must have appealed to the rustic senses of the largely rural inhabitants. Frequently the satyr is shown nude and ithyphallic, and the nymph is typically portrayed as if she were attempting to fight of the satyr, with her arm extended as if she were pleading rescue. The engraving is archaic in style, and the design ended everywhere except at Thasos in about 480 BC . At Thasos, the type continued until the end of the fifth century, but over the decades it progressed stylistically from the severe Archaic style such as we see here on this stater of the Orreskioi, to a particularly fine Classical style by the end of its production.


Thrace, Dikaia. Silver Stater ( 9.85 g), ca. 500-480 BC, 18 mm . Head of Herakles right, wearing lion's skin headdress. Reverse: Incuse square divided into six compartments. Schönert-Geiss 10 (V4/ R4); HGC 3.2, 1446. Very Fine.



60 Islands off Thrace, Thasos. Silver Drachm (3.55 g), ca. 500-480 BC, 16 mm . Ithyphallic satyr
Islands off Thrace, Thasos. Silver Stater ( 9.59 g ), ca. $500-480 \mathrm{BC}, 19 \mathrm{~mm}$. Satyr advancing right, carrying off protesting nymph. Reverse: Quadripartite incuse square. Le Rider 2; HPM pl. X, 5; SNG Copenhagen 1009. Struck on a tight flan, light porosity. Good Very Fine. advancing right, carrying off protesting nymph. Reverse: Quadripartite incuse square. Le Rider 3; HGC 6, 332. Toned. Very Fine.


Thracian Kingdom. Lysimachos. Silver Tetradrachm (16.69 g), as King, 306-281 BC, 36mm. Byzantion, under Mithradates VI of Pontos, 120-63 BC. Diademed head of deified Alexander right, with horn of Ammon. Reverse: BA $\Sigma \mathrm{I} \Lambda \mathrm{E} \Omega \Sigma \Lambda \Upsilon \Sigma \mathrm{IMAXO} \Upsilon$, Athena seated left, holding Nike and resting elbow on shield at side, spear leaning against her far shoulder; in inner left field, monogram; on throne, BY; in exergue, trident. Cf. De Callataÿ grp. 2B, p. 123; SNG Copenhagen 1139. NGC grade Ch AU; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 2/5. Edge bend.

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62 Skythia, Geto-Dacians. Koson. Gold Stater ( 8.46 g), Mid 1 st century BC., $21 \mathrm{~mm} . \mathrm{KO} \Sigma \Omega \mathrm{N}$ in exergue, Roman consul advancing left, accompanied by two lictors; in left field, monogram. Reverse: Eagle with wings displayed standing left on scepter, holding wreath in talon. Iliescu 1; RPC 1701. NGC grade MS; Strike: 5/5, Surface: $4 / 5$.


63 Korkyra, Korkyra. Roman Administration. Silver Didrachm (4.59 g), ca. 229-48 BC, 21 mm . Head of Dionysos right, wreathed with ivy. Reverse: Pegasos flying right; below, two monograms. SNG Lockett 3531 ; HGC 6, 65. Attractively toned. NGC grade Ch VF; Strike: 4/5, Surface: 4/5.



65 Akarnania, Thyrreion. Silver Stater ( $\mathbf{1 0 . 0 9}$ ) , ca. 168-160 BC, $23 \mathrm{~mm} . \mathrm{M}$ (enander), magistrate. Head of the river-god Acheloos right. Reverse: Apollon Aktios seated right, holding bow; to right, M. BCD Akarnania 397 (sam,e obv. die); Imhoof-Blumer, NZ X, p. 175 (for magistrate); HGC 4, 915. Very Rare. NGC grade XF; Strike: 4/5, Surface: $4 / 5$.


66 Attica, Athens. Silver Obol ( 0.59 g ), ca. $545-525 / 15 \mathrm{BC}, 8 \mathrm{~mm}$. Wappenmünzen issue. Gorgoneion facing. Reverse: Quadripartite incuse square. Seltman pl. IV; Svoronos pl. 1, 66-7; HGC 4, 1655. Lightly toned. The obverse struck somewhat off center. Very Fine.


Attica, Athens. Silver Obol ( 0.52 g ), ca. $545-525 / 15 \mathrm{BC}, 7 \mathrm{~mm}$. Wappenmünzen issue. Fourspoked wheel. Reverse: Rough incuse square. Svoronos 55; Dewing 1567; SNG Copenhagen 7. Very Fine.


Attica, Athens. Silver Tetradrachm ( 16.25 g ), ca. $500 / 490-485 / 0 \mathrm{BC}, 21 \mathrm{~mm}$. Archaic head of Athena right, wearing crested helmet. Reverse: $\mathrm{A} \Theta \mathrm{E}, \mathrm{Owl}$ standing right, head facing; to left above, olive sprig; all within incuse square. Seltman Group G; Asyut Group IVg; Asyut 320; HGC 4, 1590. Test cut on the obverse. Very Fine.


69 Attica, Athens. Silver Tetradrachm (17.16 g), ca. 454-404 BC, 24 mm . Helmeted head of Athena right, frontal eye. Reverse: $\mathrm{A} \Theta \mathrm{E}$, owl standing right, head facing; above to left, olive-spray with berry and crescent; all within incuse square. Kroll 8; Svoronos pl. 14; SNG Copenhagen 31-40. A simply outstanding owl! NGC grade MS; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 3/5.

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70 Attica, Athens. Silver Tetradrachm (17.18 g), ca. 454-404 BC, 23 mm . Helmeted head of Athena right, frontal eye. Reverse: $\mathrm{A} \Theta \mathrm{E}$, owl standing right, head facing; above to left, olive-spray with berry and crescent; all within incuse square. Kroll 8; Svoronos pl. 14; SNG Copenhagen 31-40. NGC grade MS; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 4/5.


71 Attica, Athens. Silver Tetradrachm (17.20 g), ca. 454-404 BC, 24 mm . Helmeted head of Athena right, frontal eye. Reverse: A $\Theta \mathrm{E}$, owl standing right, head facing; above to left, olive-spray with berry and crescent; all within incuse square. Kroll 8; Svoronos pl. 14; SNG Copenhagen 31-40. NGC grade MS; Strike: 5/5, Surface: $4 / 5$.


Attica, Athens. Silver Tetradrachm (17.14 g), ca. 454-404 BC, 22 mm . Helmeted head of Athena right, frontal eye. Reverse: $\mathrm{A} \Theta \mathrm{E}$, owl standing right, head facing; above to left, olive-spray with berry and crescent; all within incuse square. Kroll 8; Svoronos pl. 14; SNG Copenhagen 31-40. Struck in high relief. NGC grade Ch AU; Strike: 5/5, Surface: $3 / 5$.


Attica, Athens. Silver Tetradrachm (17.17 g), ca. 454-404 BC, 22 mm . Helmeted head of Athena right, frontal eye. Reverse: $\mathrm{A} \Theta \mathrm{E}$, owl standing right, head facing; above to left, olive-spray with berry and crescent; all within incuse square. Kroll 8; Svoronos pl. 14; SNG Copenhagen 31-40. Lightly toned and with a particularly fine owl. NGC grade Ch AU; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 4/5. Fine style.


Attica, Athens. Silver Tetradrachm (17.17 g), ca. 454-404 BC, 24 mm . Helmeted head of Athena right, frontal eye. Reverse: $\mathrm{A} \Theta E$, owl standing right, head facing; above to left, olive-spray with berry and crescent; all within incuse square. Kroll 8; Svoronos pl. 14; SNG Copenhagen 31-40. Lovely head of Athena. NGC grade Ch AU; Strike: 5/5, Surface: $3 / 5$.


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Attica, Athens. Silver Tetradrachm (16.98 g), ca. 454-404 BC, 23mm. Helmeted head of Athena right, frontal eye. Reverse: $\mathrm{A} \Theta \mathrm{E}$, owl standing right, head facing; above to left, olive-spray with berry and crescent; all within incuse square. Kroll 8; Svoronos pl. 14; SNG Copenhagen 31-40. Test cuts on the reverse and on the edge. Lightly toned. Very Fine.

.393-355 BC, 21 mm . Head of Athena right, with profile eye; banker's mark on cheek. Reverse: $\mathrm{A} \Theta \mathrm{E}$, owl standing right, head facing; behind, olive spray and crescent. SNG Copenhagen 58; Kroll 21b; HGC 4, 1668. Good Very Fine / Extremely Fine.


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77 Attica, Athens. Silver Tritartemorion ( 0.49 g ), ca. 393-355 BC, 7 mm . Head of Athena right, with profile eye. Reverse: A- - -E, enclosed with three crescents. SNG Copenhagen 58; Kroll 21b; HGC 4, 1668. Toned. About Very Fine.


Islands off Attica, Aegina. Silver Stater (11.65 g), ca. 525-475 BC, 20 mm . Sea turtle with thin collar. Reverse: Incuse square divided into eight compartments. Rare. Meadows grp. IIa; HGC 6, 428. Light porosity. Choice Very Fine.



80 Islands off Attica, Aegina. Silver Obol ( 0.94 g ), ca. $475-470 \mathrm{BC}, 9 \mathrm{~mm}$. Sea turtle with thin collar. Reverse: Incuse square divided into six compartments. Meadows grp. IIIa; HGC 6, 450. Toned. Good Very Fine.


81 Islands off Attica, Aegina. Silver Tetartemorion ( 0.16 g ), ca. $456 / 45-431 \mathrm{BC}, 5 \mathrm{~mm}$. Sea turtle. Reverse: Monogram of TE ( = tetartemorion) within incuse square. Milbank -; HGC $6,-;$ Nomos 29,761 . Unpublished in any references, but see the cited example that is more or less equivalent to our coin, and that recently sold in Nomos 29, realizing $\$ 3500$ ! Toned. Good Very Fine.


82 Corinthia, Corinth. Silver Hemidrachm (1.08 g), ca. 345-307 BC, 12 mm . Q, Pegasos flying left. Reverse: Head of Aphrodite left, her hair pulled up and tied at back of head; across field, A-P. BCD Corinth 185 var. (arrangement of hair); HGC 4, 1878. Nice old collection toning. Choice Very Fine.


83 Corinthia, Corinth. Silver Obol ( 0.43 g ), ca. $345-307 \mathrm{BC}, 8 \mathrm{~mm}$. Q, Pegasos flying left. Reverse: Ornate trident; across field, A-P. BCD Corinth 209; HGC 4, 1900. Toned. Choice Very Fine.


Elis, Olympia. 78th-80th Olympiads. Silver Hemidrachm ( 2.99 g ), 468-460 BC, 12 mm . Eagle flying leff. Reverse: F-A, winged thunderbolt with volutes above. BCD Olympia 11ff; HGC 5, 422. Toned. Very Fine.


85 Elis, Olympia. 94th Olympiad. Silver Stater (11.66 g), $404 \mathrm{BC}, 21 \mathrm{~mm}$. Eagle's head left; below, white poplar leaf. Reverse: F-A, winged thunderbolt with volutes; all within olive-wreath. BCD Olympia 77; HGC 5, 350. Toned. Neary Very Fine.

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86 Elis, Olympia. Silver Hemiobol ( 0.50 g ), ca. 360-352 BC, 11 mm . Hea of Olympia right. Reverse: F-A, winged thunderbolt with volutes. BCD Olympia 172; HGC 5, 501. Well centered and lightly toned. Choice Very Fine.



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88 Cyclades, Naxos. Silver Trihemiobol ( 0.91 g ), ca. 520-490 BC, 9mm. Kantharos. Reverse: Quadiparite incuse square. Cf. Sheedy 63; HGC 6, 626. Toned. Very Fine.

## An Important Collection of Cretan Coins formed in the 1960s

Home to the earlier Minoan civilization, during the Classical period the island of Crete was home to several city states, mostly of Dorian background, the foremost being Knossos, Gortyna, Lyttos, and later in the period, also Kydonia. The island prospered greatly due to its position on the main sea routes of trade between Greece, Cyprus, the Levant and Egypt, and significantly contributed to the development of Greek art during the Archaic period. While Crete did not involve itself in the defense of Greece when the Persians invaded during the early 5th century BC, she did provide mercenary slingers and archers who were highly reputed to the various Mediterranean powers during later periods. Later in her history, she also became renowned for her pirates, a situation encouraged by Philip V of Macedon who wished them to become a scourge against his enemy, Rhodes. The pirates eventually drew the attention of the Romans, who defeated them in 67 BC , and incorporated the island of Crete as a Roman province into the growing Roman Empire.

The coinage of Crete began around the very beginning of the fifth century BC but did not immediately take hold across the entirety of the island. Instead, it developed slowly, with its most interesting issues appearing generally in the third century. Until the Hellenistic period the standard in use was generally the Aeginetic, with the principal denominations being the stater, the didrachm and the drachm. After Alexander's conquests, the Attic standard gradually replaced the Aeginetic due to its general acceptance in trade.

The collection of Cretan coins presented this sale include several interesting and important pieces which should draw active collector interest. All were acquired in the 1960 s by an American diplomat to Europe.


89 Crete, Chersonasos. Silver Stater ( 9.66 g), ca. $330-270$ BC, 26 mm . Laureate head of Artemis Britomartis left, her hair tied in a knot at back of head. Reverse: Herakles, nude, advancing left, holding club and lion's skin draped. Svoronos 6; BMC 3; SNG Copenhagen -. Rare. Darkly toned. Light porosity and roughness, and the reverse softly struck. Nearly Very Fine.

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2 x Britomartis right, her hair tied in a bun at the back of her head. Reverse: XEP 2 ONA 2 ION, Apollo seated right on omphalos, holding kithara and plectrum; to right, thymiaterion. Svoronos 8; Le Rider pl. VIII, 3. NGC grade Ch VF; Strike: 2/5, Surface: 4/5. Die shift.


91 Crete, Gortyna. Silver Drachm (3.04 g), ca. 98/6-94 BC, 19mm. Diademed head of Zeus right; below, E. Reverse: ГОРТ $I \Omega$, Nude male seated left on rock, torso facing, holding bow and quiver; in right field, E. Svoronos 168; Hunterian 13. Wonderful old collection toning. NGC grade Ch VF; Strike: 4/5, Surface: $2 / 5$. Edge chip.


Crete, Itanos. Silver Obol ( 0.77 g) , ca. $350-300 \mathrm{BC}, 10 \mathrm{~mm}$. Head of Athena left, wearing crested Attic helmet. Reverse: Star of eight rays. Svoronos 8. Toned. About Very Fine.


Crete, Itanos. Silver Obol ( 0.73 g ), ca. 320-270 BC, 12 mm . Head of Athena right, wearing crested Attic helmet. Reverse: Star of seven rays. Svoronos 33. Toned. Very Fine.


94 Crete, Knossos. Silver Stater ( $\mathbf{1 2 . 1 5} \mathrm{g}$ ), ca. $440 \mathrm{BC}, 23 \mathrm{~mm}$. The Minotaur in a kneeling-running stance right, its head facing. Reverse: The Labyrinth, in the form of a swastika. Svoronos pl. 4,23 var.; Le Rider pl. XXIV, 25. Extremely Rare. NGC grade F; Strike: 4/5, Surface: $2 / 5$. Edge marks and scuffs.

This fascinating coin depicts an image of one of the most famous of all mythological creatures, the Minotaur, which had the head of a bull and the body of a man. The myth surrounding this beast dates from the period of the Minoan civilisation on Crete, long before the Greeks inhabited the island. The reasons for the destruction of the Minoan culture are not clear, but might have been the result of an earthquake or an invasion. When the Greeks discovered the complex remains of the palace of Knossos centuries later, the legend of the Minotaur and the Labyrinth were born. The Minotaur was said to have been imprisoned in the Labyrinth, designed by Daedalus for King Minos to hold it captive, and was fed with condemned criminals, maidens and young boys sent from Athens as tribute to the Cretan King. In the well-known mythical tale, the Minotaur was killed by Theseus, who had tied a ball of string, given to him by Ariadne, to the entrance to the Labyrinth upon entering so that he would be able to find his way back. When he discovered the Minotaur deep within the Labyrinth, a fierce struggle ensued before Theseus killed the monster with his sword.

Although this coin appears from its style to be archaic in origin, with the Minotaur positioned in the familiar kneelingrunning stance, it does in fact date from the classical period. This is usually attributed to the fact that Crete was more isolated than the city-states on the mainland and therefore developed more slowly. Crete also relied upon imported coins for the silver used to strike its coinage.


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96 Crete, Kydonia. Silver Drachm (4.95 g), ca. 320-270 BC, 18 mm . Head of Artemis Diktynna left, wearing a ivy wreath. Reverse: $\mathrm{K} \triangle \Omega \mathrm{N}$, the archer Kydon standing left, stringing his bow. Svoronos 25, p. IX, 16. Toned. Fine.


97 Crete, Kydonia. Silver Stater ( $\mathbf{1 0 . 6 6}$ g), ca. 320-270 BC, 23 mm . Head of Artemis Diktynna left, wearing a ivy wreath. Reverse: $\mathrm{K} \triangle \Omega \mathrm{N}$, the archer Kydon standing left, stringing his bow. Svoronos 24; cf. Le Rider pl. X, 5. NGC grade Ch F; Strike: 4/5, Surface: 2/5. Brushed.

Ancient Kydonia was centered around the present day harbor area and Kastelli Hill, and its excavated archaeological remains are largely stored in the Chania Archaeological Museum. The principal motif of the flag of Chania, just like the reverse of the very rare stater offered here, shows the hero Kydon stringing his bow.


Crete, Kydonia. Silver Diobol ( 1.43 g), early 2nd century BC., 13 mm . Head of the nymph Kydonia right. Reverse: Quadripartite linear square with one quarter divided into two equal parts. SNG Lockett 2548 var. (head left). Extremely Rare with head facing right. NGC grade Ch VF; Strike: $2 / 5$, Surface: $2 / 5$.


Crete, Lyttos. Silver Stater ( $\mathbf{1 0 . 5 6}$ g), ca. $\mathbf{3 2 0}-270$ BC, 26 mm . Eagle flying left. Reverse: $\Lambda$ VTTION, boar's head right; all within a pelleted square border in an incuse square. Svoronos 17. BMC 2. NGC grade Ch VF; Strike: 4/5, Surface: $2 / 5$.


100 Crete, Phaistos. Silver Hemidrachm (2.55 g), ca. 330-320 BC, 16mm. Head of Herakles left. Reverse: Head of bull facing. Svoronos 44 ; SNG Copenhagen -. Toned. Nearly Very Fine.


101 Crete, Phaistos. Silver Stater (10.61 g), ca. 300-270 BC, 23 mm . Herakles standing left, lion's skin draped over arm, striking at Hydra with club; between feet, crab. Reverse: ФAI $\Sigma \mathrm{T} \Omega \mathrm{N}$, bull standing right. Svoronos 59; Le Rider pl. XXIII, 22. NGC grade Ch VF; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 2/5. Edge chips (photo certificate).

Despite the fact that the Cretan city of Phaistos was far removed from Lerna in the Peloponnesos, the obverse of this coin depicts Herakles engaged in the second of his twelve Labors - the slaying of the Lernaean Hydra. The Hydra was a monstrous swamp serpent with nine venomous heads and a terrible secret: When one of its heads was cut off two more would grow up in its place! Herakles would have been done for if not for his companion, Iolaos, who discovered that if the neck was cauterized with a torch after decapitation it would prevent new heads from appearing. Thus, Herakles would chop one head off while Iolaos stood by to sear the neck with a torch and in this way they killed the monster. Since this and the other Labors of Herakles were part of a larger plot by Hera to destroy him, she made the situation even more difficult by sending a giant crab to distract the hero while he struggled with the monster. It is interesting to note that while the engraver has been careful to include the detail of the crab on this coin there is no sign of poor Iolaos at all. Herakles always was a bit of a glory hound.

It is unclear whether the bull reverse should be interpreted as a representation of Herakles' seventh Labor, the capture of the Cretan Bull. This animal was sent from the sea by Poseidon to test King Minos, who had promised to sacrifice anything that the god sent him. Thinking the bull too beautiful to kill, he sacrificed another bull in its place. This betrayal enraged Poseidon who caused the bull to rampage throughout Crete and beget the monstrous Minotaur on Pasiphaë, Minos' queen. The destructive wandering of the Cretan Bull was only ended when it was carried off to mainland Greece by Herakles.


102 Crete, Polyrhenion. Silver Hemidrachm ( 1.67 g), ca. 200-67 BC, 15 mm . Diademed bust of Artemis facing slightly right, with bow and quiver at shoulder. Reverse: $\Pi \mathrm{O} \Lambda \Upsilon-(\mathrm{PH}) / \mathrm{NI} \Omega \mathrm{N}$, Apollo standing left, holding bow and filleted palm. Svoronos 43; SNG Copenhagen 538. Rare. Of the six examples that have appeared on CoinArchives over the past twenty-odd years, this is tied for the finest. Toned. About Very Fine.


103 Crete, Praisos. Silver Stater ( 11.50 g ), ca. 300-270 BC, 23 mm . Zeus seated leff, holding eagle and scepter. Reverse: Forepart of goat left, head reverted. Svoronos 26, pl. XXVII, 27; BMC 5; SNG Copenhagen 540 . Old collection toning. The reverse slightly double struck. About Very Fine.


104 Crete, Rhaukos. Silver Stater ( 10.63 g ), ca. 320-300 BC, 24 mm . Poseidon standing right, holding trident and reins of horse standing behind him to right. Reverse: PA-Y-K-[ION] (retrograde), trident. Svoronos 13, pl. XXIX, 16. Old scratch in the obverse field, and despite the heavy wear, this is actually a fairly nice example of one of these. Fine.

Little remains today of the ancient Cretan city of Rhaukos except a few pottery shards and some remains of walls. The city was destroyed by its neighbors, Gortyn and Knossos in $167 / 6$ BC. All of Rhaukos' coinage dates from the Hellenistic period, and like on this coin, depicts Poseidon with a horse and a trident.


Crete, Rhaukos. Silver Stater ( 10.98 g), ca. $320-300$ BC, 25 mm . Poseidon standing right, holding trident and reins of horse standing behind him to right. Reverse: PA-Y-K-[ION] (retrograde), trident. Svoronos 13, pl. XXIX, 16; Le Rider pl. VI, 13, 174 (this coin). NGC grade Choice F; Strike: $4 / 5$, Surface: $3 / 5$. Graffiti.


106 Skythia, Olbia. Æ cast ( 120 g ), ca. $450-440 \mathrm{BC}, 69 \mathrm{~mm}$. Paus(anias), magistrate. Head of Athena left, wearing crested Attic helmet; before, dolphin swimming upward. Reverse: Four-spoked wheel, magistrate's name: П-A-Y- $\Sigma$ around. Anokhin 166; Frolova \& Abramzon 134-9; SNG BM Black Sea 377-8; SNG Pushkin 35. Natural casting hole on helmet. Deep sea-green patina. Choice for issue. Very Fine.


107 Skythia, Olbia. Æ cast ( 98.18 g ), ca. 437-410 BC, 67 mm . Facing head of a gorgoneion. Reverse: A-P-I-X, Sea eagle flying right, holding dolphin in its talons. Anokhin 168; Frolova \& Abramzon 156-8; SNG BM Black Sea 383. Olive green patina. Extremely Fine.



109 Cimmerian Bosporos, Pantikapaion. Æ ( 16.65 g ), ca. $325-310 \mathrm{BC}, 28 \mathrm{~mm}$. Wreathed head of Pan left. Reverse: П-A-N, bull's head leff. MacDonald 65; Anokhin 124; SNG BM Black Sea 881. An exceptional strike. Choice Extremely Fine.


110 Cimmerian Bosporos. Pantikapaion. Silver Drachm. (3.34g). ca. 340-325 BC. 16mm. Satyr head $3 / 4$ left. Reverse: П-A-N around bull's head left. MacDonald 57. Good Very Fine.

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111 Cimmerian Bosporos, Pantikapaion. Silver Tetrobol ( 2.49 g ), 4th century BC., 13 mm . Head of satyr left. Reverse: ПANTI, lion crouching left. MacDonald 33; SNG BM Black Sea 857. Extremely Fine.

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112 Cimmerian Bosporos, Phanagoreia. Æ ( 17.67 g ), late 2nd-early 1st centuries BC., 25 mm . Wreathed head of Dionysos right. Reverse: Bow case; to left, monogram. Anokhin 212; SNG BM Black Sea 946; SNG Stancomb 597; SNG Copenhagen 10. Brown patina over light pitting. Good Very Fine.


7 g ), AD 123/4-132/3, 25 mm . Wreath set on of value) within wreath. MacDonald 435. Attractive olive green patina. About Extremely Fine.


114 Bosporan Kingdom. Leukon II. Æ ( 10.00 g ), ca. $\mathbf{2 4 0 - 2 2 0}$ BC, 25 mm . Head of Herakles right, wearing lion's skin headdress. Reverse: Club and bow. MacDonald 99; Anokhin 134. Typical irregular shape. Good Very Fine.


Bosporan Kingdom. Mithradates III. Æ 12 Units ( 8.71 g), AD 39/40-44/5, 22mm. Diademed head of Mithradates III right. Reverse: Lion's skin draped over club; to left, bow in case; to right, trident; below, IB (mark of value). MacDonald 313; Anokhin 1432; RPC I 1910. Olive brown patina. Extremely Fine.


116 Paphlagonia, Sinope. Silver Drachm ( 5.87 g), ca. 330-300 BC, 20 mm . Ikesi(..), magistrate. Head of the nymph Sinope left, hair bound in a sakkos; before, aplustre. Reverse: $\Sigma \operatorname{IN} \Omega / \mathrm{IKE} \Sigma$, sea-eagle with spread wings standing on dolphin swimming to left; above dolphin, magistrate's name: IKE $\Sigma \mathrm{I}$. SNG BM Black Sea -; SNG Stancomb -; HGC 7, 391. Nicely toned. NGC grade Ch VF; Strike: 4/5, Surface: 3/5. Die shift.


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117 Bithynia, Kios. Silver Hemidrachm (2.51 g), ca. 350-300 BC, 12 mm . Athenodoros, magistrate. [KIA] below neck truncation, laureate head of Apollo right. Reverse: Prow of galley left; in left field, grain ear; above and below, magistrate's name: A Extremely Fine.

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Bithynia, Kios. Silver Hemidrachm ( 2.40 g ), ca. 350-300 BC, 12 mm . Proxenos, magistrate. KIA, laureate head of Apollo right. Reverse: Prow of galley left, ornamented with star; around, magistrate's name: ПРОЕ-ENOE. SNG Ashmolean 360-1; HGC 7, 553. Minor porosity. Good Very Fine.

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119 Mysia, Lampsakos. Silver Diobol (2.03 g), 4th century BC., 13 mm . Janiform female head. Reverse: $\Lambda A M-\Psi A$, head of Athena right, wearing crested Corinthian helmet; above, grape bunch. SNG BN 1195-6. Toned. Choice Very Fine.


120 Ionia, Phokaia. Silver Diobol (1.24 g), ca. 521-478 BC, 9mm. Archaic female head left, wearing helmet or close fitting cap. Reverse: Quadripartite incuse square. SNG Copenhagen 389-94; SNG Kayhan 522; Rosen 597. Nearly Extremely Fine.

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121 Ionia, Teos. Silver Hemiobol ( 0.54 g ), ca. $460-420 \mathrm{BC}, 9 \mathrm{~mm}$. Griffin seated left, left forepaw raised. Reverse: Quadripartite incuse square. Cf. SNG Kayhan 600-1 (tetartemoria; griffin seated right); cf. Klein 479 (griffin seated right). Toned. Choice Very Fine.


122 Ionia, Uncertain mint. Electrum $1 / 12$ Stater ( 1.05 g ), 6th century BC., 6 mm . Forepart of a ram charging right. Reverse: Incuse punch. Linzalone -; Rosen -; SNG Copenhagen -. Unpublished. Very Fine.


Islands off Ionia, Ikaria. Oinoe. Silver Drachm ( 3.49 g ), 4th century BC., 17 mm . Head of Artemis facing slightly right, quiver at shoulder. Reverse: OINAI, bull butting right. SNG Kayhan 627; HGC 5, 1158. Beautifully toned. NGC grade XF; Strike: 4/5, Surface: 3/5. Fine style.


124 Carian Satraps. Hekatomnos. Silver Tetartemorion ( 0.23 g ), 392/1-377/6 BC, 6 mm . Head of roaring lion to left. Reverse: EK, head of Apollo facing slightly left. HNO 1857. Toned. Extremely Fine.


Islands off Caria, Cos. Silver Didrachm ( 6.17 g ), ca. 345-340/30 BC, 20 mm . Head of Herakles right, wearing lion's skin headdress. Reverse: $[\mathrm{K} \Omega I \Omega \mathrm{~N}]$, Veiled female head to left; behind, $\mathrm{A}[\mathrm{\Gamma}]$. Pixodaros 6 (O2/R4); cf. Karl 351-3; SNG Keckman 287; HGC 6, 1304. Light porosity. Very Fine.


126 Islands off Caria, Rhodes. Silver Didrachm ( 6.72 g ), ca. 275-250 BC, 20 mm . Antipatros, magistrate. Head of Helios facing slightly right. Reverse: P-O, rose with bud to right, and grain ear to left; above, magistrate's name: ANTIПATPOE. Ashton 186; SNG Keckman 503-4; HGC 6, 1437. Struck on a broad flan in high relief. Lovely style. Choice Extremely Fine.


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Islands off Caria, Rhodes. Silver Didrachm ( 6.27 g ), ca. 250-230 BC, 19 mm . Radiate head of Helios facing slightly right. Reverse: $\mathrm{PO} \Delta \mathrm{ION}$, Rose with bud to right; to left, star above Pileus and $\Delta I$. Ashton 204; Karl -; SNG Keckman -. HGC 6, 1438. Good Very Fine.


Islands off Caria, Rhodes. Silver Diobol ( 0.88 g ), ca. 188-84 BC, 11 mm . Radiate head of Helios right. Reverse: P-O, Rose with bud to left; to right, labrys. Karl 641 var. (positions of the bud and labrys transposed); SNG Keckman 693-701 var. (different symbol). Beautifully toned. Extremely Fine.

129 Lycia, Phaselis. Silver Stater ( 10.36 g), ca. $250-221 / 0 \mathrm{BC}, 20 \mathrm{~mm}$. Eusthenes, magistrate. Prow right; on deck, figure standing right, holding on to akrostolion. Reverse: $\Phi A \Sigma H$, Aphlaston left; above, magistrate's name: EY $\Theta$ ENH $\Sigma$. Heipp-Tamer -, but dies V18/R52 (unlisted die combination); SNG von Aulock 4426 (same obv. die). Rare magistrate. Minor flan flaw below prow, and light scratch on the reverse. Good Very Fine.


Lycian Dynasts. Kherei. Silver Stater (8.28 g), ca. 440/30-410 BC, 19mm. Xanthos. Head of Athena right, wearing crested Attic helmet. Reverse: Head of Herakles right, wearing lion's skin headdress; all within incuse square. Mørkholm \& Zahle II 5; Müseler VI, 62-4. NGC grade Ch XF; Strike: 3/5, Surface: 3/5. Die-shift.

, ca. $440 / 30-410 \mathrm{BC}, 19 \mathrm{~mm}$. Head of Athena kneeling bull right; all within incuse square. Hurter pl. 2, 8; cf. Mørkholm \& Zahle AA 47, 53; cf. SNG Copenhagen Suppl. 456 (hemidrachm). An old mark on cheek and light porosity. About Very Fine.


132 Lycian Dynasts. Mithrapata. Silver Stater ( 9.82 g), ca. 390-370 BC, 22 mm . Forepart of roaring lion right. Reverse: Head of Mithrapata left; behind, triskeles; all within incuse square. Mildenberg 6 (O3/R5); Podalia 60 (A3/P5) = SNG Copenhagen Suppl. 472; Falghera - Some striking weakness. Choice Very Fine.

The Lycian die engravers under both Mithrapata and his successor, Perikles, were highly talented die engravers. The portrait of Mithrapata on this coin, shown on the reverse, depicts a man with elderly features, somewhat sunken cheeks sporting a long bear, an aquiline nose, and hair combed forward. The details are intricate and realistic. The issues of Perikles continue these artistic developments, except the portrait is moved to the obverse and is, quite dramatically, facing instead of executed in profile. Around 360 BC, Maussollos of Caria conquered the area, thus abruptly ending Lycia's dynastic coinage.


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Pamphylia, Aspendos. Silver Stater ( 10.81 g), ca. $\mathbf{4 6 5 - 4 3 0}$ BC, 16 mm . Hoplite advancing right, holding shield and spear. Reverse: [E $\Sigma$ ], Triskeles; all within incuse square. SNG BN -; SNG von Aulock 4477. Good Very Fine.


134 Pamphylia, Side. Silver Tetradrachm ( 16.86 g), ca. 183-175 BC, 30 mm . Kleuch(res), magistrate. Head of Athena right, wearing crested Corinthian helmet. Reverse: Nike advancing left, holding wreath and palm branch; in left field, pomegranate; across field, magistrate's name K $\Lambda$-EY. SNG BN 699. Struck on a broad flan and of fine style. Choice Extremely Fine.


135 Lykaonia, Laranda. Silver Obol ( 0.63 g ), ca. $324 / 3 \mathrm{BC}, 10 \mathrm{~mm}$. Head of Herakles right. Reverse: Forepart of wolf right; inverted crescent above. Göktürk 70-81; SNG Levante 227. Nicely toned and well struck. Good Very Fine.


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136 Cilicia, Kelenderis. Silver Obol ( 0.71 g ), ca. 410-375 BC, 9 mm . Forepart of Pegasos right. Reverse: KE $\Lambda$, Goat kneeling right, head tured to look back. Göktürk 7; SNG BN 80-96; SNG Levante 278. Toned. Good Very Fine.


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137 Cilicia, Soloi. Æ ( 12.38 g ), 2nd-1st centuries BC., 26 mm . Gorgoneion in the center of an aegis. Reverse: $\Sigma \mathrm{O} \wedge \mathrm{E} \Omega \mathrm{N}$, Aphrodite, turreted, riding bull right; above, monogram; to right, eagle. SNG BN 1197 (same dies); SNG Levante 870. Very Rare this nice. Extremely Fine.


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138 Cilicia, Tarsos. Silver Stater ( 10.57 g ), ca. $\mathbf{4 2 0 - 4 1 0 ~ B C , ~} 16 \mathrm{~mm}$. Horseman (Syennesis?) riding right, wearing kyrbasia, holding lotus flower, bow in bowcase on saddle; key symbol below horse. Reverse: TRZ (Aramaic), Archer in kneeling-running stance right, quiver over shoulder, drawing bow; key symbol behind; all within dotted border within incuse square. Casabonne type $\mathrm{D} 2, \mathrm{pl} .2$, 10; SNG BN -; SNG Levante -. Good Very Fine.





Cilicia, Uncertain mint. Silver Obol ( 0.68 g ), 4th century BC., 11 mm . Head of Athena facing slightly to left, wearing triple-crested Attic helmet. Reverse: Persian king(?) standing right, holding staff and arrows, filleted bow at shoulder. Göktürk -; SNG BN $475=$ Traité II 736. Very Rare. Extremely Fine.


140 Cappadocian Kingdom. Ariarathes VI. Silver Obol ( 0.73 g), 130-116 BC, 10mm. EusebeiaMazaka. Diademed and draped bust to right, wearing tiara. Reverse: $\mathrm{BA} \Sigma \mathrm{I} \Lambda \mathrm{E} \Omega \Sigma$ [APIAPA $\Theta O Y$ ], ram leaping left, head reverted. Simonetta 4; HGC 7, 824. Choice Very Fine.


141 Cappadocian Kingdom. Ariarathes VII. Silver Tetradrachm (16.60 g), 116-101 BC, 28 mm . Mint A (Eusebia-Mazaka), in the name of Antiochos VI, ca. 107/6-104/3 BC. Diademed head of Antiochos VII right. Reverse: BA $\Sigma I \Lambda E \Omega \Sigma$ ANTIOXO؟ E؟EP-ГETO؟, Athena standing left, holding Nike and resting hand on grounded shield, spear held in crook of arm; in far left field, in inner left field, O; in inner right field, $\Lambda$; all within laurel wreath. SC 2148; HGC 9, 1069. Choice Extremely Fine.


142 Artaxiad Kingdom. Tigranes II 'the Great'. Silver Tetradrachm ( 15.58 g), $95-56$ BC, 23 mm . Antioch on the Orontes. Diademed and draped bust of Tigranes II right, wearing tiara decorated with star between two eagles. Reverse: ВА $\triangle$ I $\triangle$ E $\Omega-\Sigma /$ TIГPANO؟, Tyche seated right on rock, holding laurel branch; below, river-god Orontes swimming right; all within wreath. Kovacs 75.1; SCADA Group 8; ACV 33. Attrative light toning. NGC grade Ch VF; Strike: 4/5, Surface: 3/5.

Before ruling in the mountainous interior of Anatolia, Tigranes II spent his early life as a hostage in the court of Mithradates II of Parthia. When he was 40, he was released and returned to Armenia, where he consolidated his power and began ruling ove a united kingdom. He then turned his attention to his neighbors, expanding his kingdom in all directions at their expense.

During the First Mithradatic War between Mithradates VI of Pontos and Rome, Tigranes was careful to maintain the appearance of neutrality all the while secretly supporting Mithradates. Subsequently, however, he allied with Pontos overtly, marrying Mithradates' daughter, Cleopatra, and sheltering Mithradates when he had been defeated by Rome. This, of course, brought Armenia into direct conflict with Rome, and in two engagements with Lucullus, the Roman consul in charge of pursuing the war against Mithradates, Tigranes was soundly defeated. Lucullus, however, was not successful in capturing either Mithradates or Tigranes, and so after years of conducting an inconclusive war he was recalled to Rome and replaced by Pompey the Great. Pompey was much more effective. He quickly brought Tigranes to heal, forcing him to give up the territories he had conquered during his long reign in return for allowing him to remain on his throne.


143 Seleukid Kingdom. Seleukos I Nikator. Silver Tetradrachm ( $\mathbf{1 6 . 9 0} \mathbf{g}$ ), 312-281 BC, 28 mm . Seleukeia on the Tigris, ca. 300-218 BC. Head of Herakles right, wearing lion's skin headdress. Reverse: $\mathrm{BA} \Sigma \mathrm{I} \Lambda \mathrm{E} \Omega \Sigma \Sigma \mathrm{E} \Lambda \mathrm{E} \Upsilon \mathrm{KO} \Upsilon$, Zeus seated left, holding Nike and scepter; in left field, NO; below throne, $\Sigma$. SC 119.3 b ; HGC 9, 16f. Minor roughness in the reverse field. Extremely Fine.


Seleukid Kingdom. Demetrios I Soter. Silver Drachm (4.02 g), 162-150 BC, 17 mm . Probably uncertain mint 81 in Western Media. Diademed head of Demetrios I right; behind, ПА. Reverse: BA $\Sigma I \Lambda E \Omega \Sigma \triangle$ HMHTPIO $\Sigma \Omega$ THPO $\Sigma$, Tyche, holding arrow in her right hand and cornucopia in her left, seated left on throne supported by tritoness right. SC 1723 var. (without $\Sigma \Omega$ THPO $\Sigma$ ); HGC 9, 805. Extremely Rare. Toned. Nearly Extremely Fine.


Seleukid Kingdom. Demetrios I Soter. Æ (4.34 g), 162-150 BC, 15 mm . Antioch on the Orontes. Bridled head of horse left. Reverse: BA $\Sigma \mathrm{I} \Lambda E \Omega \Sigma \triangle$ HMHTPIO $[\mathrm{Y}]$, Head of elephant right. SC 1646; HGC 9, 833. Attractive brown patina. Very Fine.


Seleukid Kingdom. Antiochos VI Dionysos. Silver Tetradrachm (16.06 g), 144-142 BC, 30mm. Apamea on the Orontes, SE 170 (143/2 BC). Diademed and radiate head of Antiochos VI right. Reverse: ВА $\Sigma \mathrm{I} \Lambda E \Omega \Sigma$ ANTIOXOY ЕПІФАNO؟ $\Sigma \triangle I O N \Upsilon \Sigma O Y$, the Dioskouroi on horseback left, each holding couched lance; in right field, TRY above monogram; below horses, date (OP); all within wreath. SC 2000.2f; HGC 9, 1032. Lightly toned. Good Very Fine.

Antiochus IV was supported by the general Diodotos, in opposition to the repressive Demetrios II. After defeating Demetrios and expelling him from Antioch, Diodotos became the primary advisor to Antiochus IV, taking the name of Tryhon, the abbreviation of which, TRY, appears in the right field of the reverse on this coin. Althugh it is not certain, Tryphon was probably responsible for assassinating the young Antiochos


Seleukid Kingdom. Antiochos VII Euergetes. Silver Tetradrachm (16.10 g), 138-129 BC, 28 mm . Antioch on the Orontes. Diademed head of Antiochos VII right. Reverse: BA $\Sigma \mathrm{I} \Lambda \mathrm{E} \Omega \Sigma /$ ANTIOXOY in two lines on right, EYEP-ГETO؟ on left, Athena standing left, holding Nike and resting hand on grounded shield, spear held in crook of arm; in left field, monogram above A; all within laurel wreath. SC 2061.2; HGC 9, 1067d. Lightly toned. Extremely Fine.


148 Seleukid Kingdom. Demetrios II Nikator. Silver Drachm (3.83 g), first reign, 146-138 BC, 19 mm . Seleukeia on the Tigris. Diademed head of Demetrios II right; behind, AYT monogram. Reverse: ВА $\Sigma \mathrm{I} \Lambda E \Omega \Sigma \triangle H M H T P I O \Upsilon Ф I \Lambda A \triangle E \Lambda Ф O \Upsilon$ NIKATOPO $\Sigma$, Zeus seated left, holding eagle and scepter. SC 1986; HGC 9, 984. Extremely Fine.


Seleukid Kingdom. Philip I Philadelphos. Silver Tetradrachm (15.87 g), 95/4-76/5 BC, 26mm. Antioch on the Orontes, after 88/7 BC. Diademed head of Philip I right. Reverse: BA $\Sigma \mathrm{I} \Lambda \mathrm{E} \Omega \Sigma$ ФІАІППОऽ ЕПІФАNОऽ $Ф І \Lambda А \triangle Е \Lambda Ф О \Upsilon, ~ Z e u s ~ s e a t e d ~ l e f t, ~ h o l d i n g ~ N i k e ~ a n d ~ s c e p t e r ; ~ i n ~$ outer left field, $[\Phi$ above A]; below throne, monogram (frozen control); in exergue, $\Pi$; all within laurel wreath. SC 2464 b; HGC 9, 1320. Perfectly centered, sharply struck, and lustrous. Mint State.


150 Phoenicia, Arados. Silver Drachm ( 3.98 g), ca. 172/1-111/0 BC, 19 mm . CY 91 ( $169 / 8$ BC). Bee; in left field, date (AP monogram); in right field, RE monogram. Reverse: APA $\Delta \mathrm{I} \Omega \mathrm{N}$, stag standing right; palm tree behind. Duyrat 2677-734 (O31); HGC 10, 63; DCA 774. NGC grade AU; Strike: 5/5, Surface: $4 / 5$.


ca. 138/7-44/2 BC ). Turreted, veiled, and draped bust of Tyche right. Reverse: APA $\Delta \mathrm{I} \Omega \mathrm{N}$, Nike standing left, holding wreath and palm branch; in left field, date ( $\varsigma^{\Psi} \mathrm{P}$ ) above Aramaic H above $\mathrm{K} \Sigma$; all within wreath. BMC 276; HGC 10, 72; DCA 772. Lightly toned and with light porosity and a hairline flan crack. Good Very Fine.



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Achaemenid Kingdom. Darios I to Xerxes I. Siglos ( 4.39 g ), ca. $505-480 \mathrm{BC}, 13 \mathrm{~mm}$. Sardes. Persian king or hero in kneeling/running stance to right, drawing bow. Reverse: Rectangular incuse punch. Carradice Type II. Nicely toned. Small test cut on the reverse. Choice Very Fine.


Achaemenid Kingdom. Xerxes II to Artaxerxes II. Gold daric (8.36 g), ca. 420-375 BC, 15 mm . Persian king or hero in kneeling-running stance right, quiver at shoulder, holding spear and bow. Reverse: Rectangular incuse punch. Carradice IIIb/C. NGC grade XF; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 3/5.


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156 Baktria, Local issues. Silver Diobol ( 0.96 g), Ca 285/3-280/78 BC, 10mm. Local standard. Uncertain mint in the Oxus region. Laureate head of Zeus right. Reverse: Eagle standing left, head right; above, grape cluster on vine. Bopearachchi, Sophytes grp. 2B; SNG ANS 20. Good Very Fine.


aktrian Kingdom. Euthydemos I. Silver Tetradrachm (16.76 g), ca. 230-200 BC, 29 mm . Min A (near Aï Khanoum), ca. 220/15-210/08 BC. Diademed head of Euthydemos I right. Reverse: $[B] A \Sigma I \Lambda E \Omega \Sigma$ E؟ $\Theta \Upsilon \Delta H M O Y$, Herakles seated left on rock, holding club set on rocks; in inner right field, monogram. Bopearachchi 5B; SNG ANS 124-7. A boldly struck example. Choice Very Fine.


Baktrian Kingdom. Antimachos I. Silver Tetradrachm (16.93 g), ca. 174-165 BC, 32 mm . Diademed and draped bust of Antimachos I right, wearing kausia. Reverse: BA $\Sigma \mathrm{I} \Lambda \mathrm{E} \Omega \Sigma$ ANTIMAXOY, Poseidon standing facing, holding trident and palm; in right field, PK monogram. Bopearachchi Série 1B; SNG ANS -. NGC grade Ch AU; Strike: 5/5, Surface: $3 / 5$.


Baktrian Kingdom. Antimachos I. Silver Drachm (4.16 g), ca. 174-165 BC, 20mm. Diademed and draped bust of Antimachos right, wearing kausia. Reverse: BA $\Sigma I \Lambda E \Omega \Sigma$ ANTIMAXO؟, Poseidon, laureate, standing facing, holding trident and filleted palm; to inner right, PKA monogram. Bopearachchi 2A; SNG ANS 279; HGC 12, 109. Superb Extremely Fine.


Baktrian Kingdom. Eukratides I. Silver Tetradrachm (16.96 g), ca. 171-145 BC, 31mm. Diademed and draped bust of Eukratides I right. Reverse: BA $\Sigma \mathrm{I} \Lambda \mathrm{E} \Omega \Sigma$ above, EЋKPATI $\Delta$ O؟ in exergue, the Dioskouroi, each holding palm branch and couched lance, on horses rearing right; in lower right field, PK monogram. Bopearachchi 1B; SNG ANS 431; HGC 12, 130. NGC grade Ch XF; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 3/5.

Eukratides I is notable as one of the very few Graeco-Baktrian and Indo-Greek kings for whom we have historical evidence outside of coins. He revolted against the reigning Demetrios II in ca. 171 BC , but soon found himself besieged by Demetrios at the head of a 60,000-strong army. According to Justin, through repeated sorties, Eukratides used his small force of 300 men to raise the siege and gain victory after four months. He then crossed the Hindu Kush, conquering parts of western India. Unfortunately, his dramatic reign came to a violent end when his son murdered him, reportedly coldly driving his chariot through his blood. The enduring popularity of Eukratides' Dioskouroi reverse type may be gauged by its continued use by several of his Indo-Greek successors, its imitation by non-Greek peoples in Sogdiana and Baktria, and its incorporation into the seal of the modern Da Afghanistan Bank (founded 1939).


161 Baktrian Kingdom. Eukratides I. Silver Drachm (4.17 g), ca. 171-145 BC, 19mm. Diademed and draped bust of Eukratides I right. Reverse: $\mathrm{BA} \Sigma \mathrm{I} \Lambda \mathrm{E} \Omega \Sigma$ МЕГА $\triangle$ O؟ around above, E〒KPATI $\triangle$ O؟ in exergue, the Dioskouroi, each holding palm branch and couched lance, on horses rearing right; in upper left field, monogram. Bopearachchi 2B; SNG ANS -; HGC 12, 135 var. (position of monogram). Choice Extremely Fine.


162 Baktrian Kingdom. Eukratides I. Silver Tetradrachm ( 16.96 g), ca. 171-145 BC, 33 mm . Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust of Eukratides I right, wearing crested helmet adorned with bull's horn and ear. Reverse: BA $\Sigma I \Lambda E \Omega \Sigma$ МЕГА $К О \Upsilon$ around above, E؟KPATI $\triangle$ O $\Upsilon$ in exergue, the Dioskouroi, each holding palm branch and couched lance, on horses rearing right; in lower left field, monogram. Bopearachchi 6Z; SNG ANS 473; HGC 12, 131. Lovely medium gray toning with light iridescent golden hues around the devices. NGC grade AU*, Strike: 5/5, Surface: 4/5.

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Baktrian Kingdom. Eukratides I. Silver Drachm (4.24 g), ca. 171-145 BC, 20mm. Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust of Eukratides I right, wearing crested helmet adorned with bull's horn and
 each holding palm branch and couched lance, on horses rearing right; in lower left field, monogram. Bopearachchi 7A; SNG ANS -; HGC 12, 136. Lightly toned and of elegant style. Choice Extremely Fine.


Baktrian Kingdom. Plato. Silver Tetradrachm ( 16.92 g ), ca. 145-140 BC, 33 mm . Diademed and draped bust of Plato right, wearing a crested helmet adorned with a bull's horn and ear. Reverse:
 to upper right, MT monogram; in exergue, MZ. Bopearachchi 3A; SNG ANS 631; HGC 12, 167. Extremely Rare, being one of less than a handful of examples to appear in the market during the past 25 years. Slight double striking on the reverse. Sound metal, untoned and lustrous. NGC grade Ch AU; Strike: $4 / 5$, Surface: $3 / 5$. Brushed.

Little is known about Plato nor his rise to power other than he emerged as king at some point soon after the murder of Eukratides I. Overthrowing the Euthydemid dynasty, Eukratides restored the Diodotids to power. His extensive and prestigious coinage suggests that his reign was quite prosperous and of notable import, while his military prowess expanded the borders of the Graeco-Baktrian realm as far as western India to the city of Broach in Gujarat. In 145 BC, Eukratides, on his way home from campaigning in India, was murdered at the hands of his son according to the historian Justin. His body was mutilated and dragged behind a chariot. Justin may have erred in the perpetrator as the Euthydemid prince Demetrios II may have been behind the regicide, but whoever the murderer was, the act plunged the Graeco-Baktrian realm into a terrible civil war which heralded its ultimate demise. The Indian territories were lost to the Indo-Greek king Menander, the nomadic Yuezhi invasion grew more successful, while Ai Khanoum was sacked and burnt to the ground. Amid this chaos, Plato somehow took the throne. Given his middle-age appearance on his coins, it is believed that he may have been Eukratides' brother. His kingdom seems to have been largely confined to the lands around the city of Balkh, where all of his coins appear to have been issued.


Parthian Kingdom. Mithradates I. Silver Tetradrachm (15.64 g), 164-132 BC, 26 mm . Seleukeia on the Tigris, SE 174 (139/8 BC). Diademed and bearded bust of Mithradates I right. Reverse: Herakles standing left, holding cup, lion's skin and club; date ( $\Delta \mathrm{OP}$ ) in exergue. Sellwood 13.10; Shore 39. An excellent Hellenistic portrait. NGC grade Ch AU; Strike: 4/5, Surface: 4/5.


Parthian Kingdom. Mithradates I. Silver Drachm ( 3.92 g ), 164-132 BC, 17 mm . Seleukeia on the Tigris, ca. 141/0 BC. Diademed and bearded bust of Mithradates I right. Reverse: Zeus seated left, holding eagle and scepter; monogram in exergue. Sellwood 13.6; Shore -. Very Rare. Lovely style. Good Very Fine.


167 Parthian Kingdom. Mithradates I. Silver Drachm ( 4.09 g ), 164-132 BC, 21 mm . Hekatompylos, ca. 141-132 BC. Diademed and bearded bust of Mithradates Ileft. Reverse: $\beta$ A $\Sigma$ I $\triangle E \Omega \Sigma$ МЕГА $К О \Upsilon$ APEAKƠ, Archer seated right on omphalos, holding bow. Sellwood 11.1; Shore 24; Sunrise 265. Well centered on a full flan. Choice Extremely Fine.


168 Parthian Kingdom. Mithradates I. Silver Drachm ( 3.98 g), 164-132 BC, 18 mm . Ekbatana, ca. 148-138/7 BC. Diademed and bearded bust of Mithradates I right. Reverse: Archer seated right on omphalos, holding bow. Sellwood 12.1; Shore -. Very Rare. Extremely Fine.


169 Parthian Kingdom. Phraates II. Silver Drachm (4.18 g), 132-127 BC, 20 mm . Tambrax. Diademed bust of Phraates II left; behind, ТАМ. Reverse: ВАЕI $\Theta$ ЕОПАТОРО, Archer seated right on omphalos, holding bow; dividing lines in legend. Sellwood 16.11; Shore 50. Sharply struck. Extremely Fine.


170 Parthian Kingdom. Mithradates II. Silver Tetradrachm ( 15.66 g ), 121-91 BC, 33 mm . Seleukeia on the Tigris, ca. 120/19-109 BC. Diademed bust of Mithradates II left. Reverse: Archer seated right on omphalos, holding bow; monogram to inner left, palm branch to outer right. Cf. Sellwood 24.5 (form of monogram); Shore 68. Beautifully toned and perfectly centered on a larg flan. NGC grade Ch XF; Strike: 5/5, Surface: $4 / 5$. Fine style.

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Descended from nomadic pastoralists, the Parthian Kingdom was founded by the leader of the Iranian Parni tribe, Arsakes I, sometime around 247 BC , and was to endure for more than four centuries until it was eventually overrun by the Sasanian Persians during the first half of the second century AD. Mithradates II, during whose reign this handsome tetradrachm was struck, was one of the greatest of all Parthian rulers, inheriting a destabilized kingdom but quickly reestablishing a firm central power base and reasserting Parthian dominance over those regions that had started to assert their own independence under his predecessors. On his coins, and especially so on his tetradrachms, Mithradates employed highly skilled and talented artists to engrave the dies, as is evidenced here by the coin's superior style with its quasi-medallic Hellenistic-style portrait of the king. The coin's legend, $В А \Sigma I \Lambda E \Omega \Sigma$ MEГА $К О \Upsilon$ AP $\Sigma$ AKO؟ ЕПIФАNOک $\Sigma$, proclaims Mithradates the "Great and Illustrious King Arsakes."


Parthian Kingdom. Mithradates II. Silver Drachm ( $\mathbf{3 . 9 6}$ g), 121-91 BC, 21 mm . Rhagai, ca. 109$96 / 5$ BC. Diademed bust of Mithradates II left. Reverse: Archer seated right on omphalos, holding bow; cloak arm ends in pellet below throne seat. Sellwood 27.1; Shore 85. Lightly toned. Extremely Fine.


172 Parthian Kingdom．Mithradates II．Silver Drachm（4．20 g），121－91 BC， 21 mm ．Ekbatana，ca． 109－96／5 BC．Diademed bust of Mithradates II left．Reverse：ВА $\Sigma$ I $\Lambda E \Omega \Sigma$ BA $\Sigma I \Lambda E \Omega N$ МЕГАОऽ APГAKO؟ ЕПІФАN工 $\Sigma$ ，Archer seated right on omphalos，holding bow；cloak arm ends in pellet below throne seat．Sellwood 27．2；Shore 87．struck on a broad flan and lustrous．Superb Extremely Fine．


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173 Parthian Kingdom．Phraatakes．BI Tetradrachm（ 14.58 g ）， 2 BC－AD 4／5， 28 mm ．Seleukeia on the Tigris， 311 SE（ 1 BC ）．Diademed bust of Phraatakes left，wart on forehead；two Nikai flanking，crowning Phraatakes with wreathes．Reverse：BACIAEOC BACIAE $\Omega$ N APCAKOr EイEPГETƠ $\triangle$ IKAIƠ EПIФANOYC ФIムE $\Lambda \Lambda H N O C, ~ A r c h e r ~ s e a t e d ~ r i g h t ~ o n ~ t h r o n e, ~$ holding bow；AIT（year）to inner right，$[\mathrm{O}] \Lambda \Omega \mathrm{IO}[\Sigma]$（month）in exergue．Sellwood 57 var． （month）；Shore 314－6 var．（month）．Choice Extremely Fine．


174 Parthian Kingdom．Vologases V．Silver Drachm（3．93 g），ca．AD 191－207／8，17mm．Ekbatana． Diademed bust of Vologases $V$ facing，with pointed beard of straight lines；hair in bunches above diadem and at sides．Reverse：Archer seated right on throne，holding bow；monogram below bow．Sellwood 86．3；Shore 448．The obverse struck in very high relief．Toned．Choice Extremely Fine．


175 Parthian Kingdom. Artabanos VI. Silver Drachm (3.06 g), ca. AD 212-224/7, 19 mm . Ekbatana. Bust of Artabanos VI left, with forked beard, wearing tiara; letters behind. Reverse: Archer seated right on throne, holding bow; monogram below bow. Sellwood 89.1 (Artabanos IV); Shore 464 (Artabanos IV). Beautifully toned and well struck. Superb Extremely Fine.


176 Kingdom of Persis. Artaxerxes I. Silver Drachm ( 4.05 g), 3rd century BC., 17 mm . Head of Artaxerxes I right, with moustache, wearing diadem and kyrbasia. Reverse: Fire temple of AhuraMazda; to inner left, king standing right; standard to right. Cf. Klose \& Müseler 2/7; Alram 523. Rare. Nicely toned. Choice Extremely Fine.


177 Kingdom of Persis. Orbozos. Silver Tetradrachm (16.98 g), 3rd century BC., 29 mm . Head of Orbozos right, with moustache and earring, wearing diadem and kyrbasia. Reverse: Fire temple of Ahura-Mazda; to left, king standing right; standard to outer right, $\Gamma$ (retrograde) to inner left. Klose \& Müseler -; Alram 526. Struck on a broad flan. Choice Extremely Fine.


Kingdom of Persis. Orbozos. Silver Tetradrachm (17.29 g), 3rd century BC., 28 mm . Head of Orbozos right, with moustache and earring, wearing diadem and kyrbasia. Reverse: Fire temple of Ahura-Mazda; to left, king standing right; standard to outer right, $\Gamma$ (retrograde) to inner left. Klose \& Müseler -; Alram 526. Struck in very high relief. Extremely Fine.


Kingdom of Persis. Autophradates II. Silver Tetradrachm ( 16.73 g ), early-mid 2nd century BC., 24 mm . Persepolis. Diademed head of Autophradates II right, wearing kyrbasia adorned with eagle. Reverse: Fire temple of Ahura-Mazda; above, half-figure of Ahura-Mazda; to left, king standing right; to right, eagle standing left on standard. Klose $\&$ Müseler $3 / 1$; Alram 546. Well centered and struck in high relief. A fantastic example. NGC grade AU; Strike: 4/5, Surface: 4/5.

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Elymaian Kingdom. Kamnaskires III, with Anzaze. Silver Tetradrachm (14.43 g), ca. 82/1-73/2 BC, 28 mm . Seleukeia on the Hedyphon, SE 233 ( $80 / 79$ BC). Conjoined busts of Kamnaskires III, diademed, and his queen, Anzaze, wearing stephane, left; behind, anchor symbol; c/m:Nike standing left within rectangular incuse. Reverse: BACI $\triangle E \Omega C$ KAMNACKIPOY KAI BACI IICCHC ANZAZHC, old bearded god Belos (or Zeus) seated left, holding Nike and scepter. Van't Haaff type 7.1, subtype 1-6. Wonderful portraits. Choice Extremely Fine.


181 Elymaian Kingdom. Kamnaskires V. Silver Tetradrachm (15.52 g), ca. 54/3-33/2 BC, 28 mm . Seleukeia on the Hedyphon, SE 267 (46/5 BC). Diademed and draped bust of Kamnaskires V left, sporting long beard; behind, star above Seleukid anchor mintmark. Reverse: Diademed bearded bust of uncertain Kamnaskirid left; in exergue, date (Z[ $\Xi \Sigma]$ ). Haaff type 9.1, subtype 1-4. About Extremely Fine.


Sasanian Kingdom. Ardashir I. Silver Hemidrachm ( 1.81 g), AD 223/4-240, 17mm. Mint A ("Stakhr"), phase 1, ca. AD 205/6-223/4. Bearded head of Ardashir I facing, wearing diadem and Parthian-style tiara with pellet-in-crescent. Reverse: Bearded head of Papak left, wearing diadem and Parthian-style tiara with pellet-in-crescent. SNS type I(1)/1(1) (pl. 1, 4); Göbl type I/1. Nicely centered and with old cabinet toning. Choice Extremely Fine.


183 Sasanian Kingdom. Shapur I. Gold Dinar (7.31 g), AD 240-272, 22mm. Mint I ("Ctesiphon"), phase 2, ca. AD 260-272. Bust of Shapur I right, wearing diadem and mural crown with korymbos; one pellet above and two below diadem ties. Reverse: Fire altar; flanked by two attendants wearing mural crowns; symbol to left of flames. SNS type IIc/lb, style P, group b (pl. 30, 126); Göbl type I/1. Lovely strike on a nice full flan. Lustrous. NGC grade MS; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 4/5.


184 Sasanian Kingdom. Shapur I. Silver Obol ( 0.58 g), AD 240-272, 14 mm . Mint I ("Ctesiphon"), phase 1 b , ca. AD 244-252/3. Bust of Shapur I right, wearing diadem and mural crown with korymbos. Reverse: Fire altar; flanked by two attendants wearing mural crowns and one with, and the other without, diadems; symbol on altar shaft, letter above left attendant. SNS type IIc/ 1a; Göbl type I/1. Extremely Rare. Toned, and of lovely style. Superb Extremely Fine.


Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran I. Silver Drachm ( 4.30 g ), AD 273-276, 25 mm . Bust of Varhran I right, wearing diadem and radiate crown with korymbos; trefoil of pellets behind crown. Reverse: Fire altar; flanked by two attendants, the one on the left wearing crown with korymbos, the other with radiate crown. SNS type $\mathrm{Ib} / 2 \mathrm{~B}$; Göbl type I/1. Rare. Excellent style. Well struck on a full flan. Extremely Fine.


186 Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran II. Gold Dinar (7.44 g), AD 276-293, 20mm. Diademed bust of Varhran II right, wearing winged crown with korymbos. Reverse: Fire altar flanked by two attendants, the left wearing winged crown with korymbos, the right with mural crown. SNS Type I(/3 (Varhran II/Varhran I); Gobl I/2 (Varhran II/Varhran I). Very Rare. Elegant style. NGC grade AU; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 4/5.


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188 Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran II. Silver Obol ( 0.83 g), AD 276-293, 15 mm . Jugate busts Varhran I, wearing winged crown with korymbos, and his queen, wearing kolah with boar's head, right, vis-a-vis bust of Prince $4(?)$ wearing kolah with uncertain animal's head, left. Reverse: Fire altar with ribbon; flanked by Varhran I and his queen, holding ring, facing toward altar. SNS type VII/5; Göbl type X/3. Extremely Rare. Good Very Fine.


Sasanian Kingdom. Shapur II. Silver Drachm (4.12g), AD 309-379, 28 mm . Mint I ("Ctesiphon"), ca. AD 309-320. Bust of Shapur II right, wearing mural crown with korymbos. Reverse: Fire altar with ribbon; flanked by two attendants, each wearing mural crown, the left with korymbos; symbols flanking flames. SNS type Ia/1a1; Göbl type Ia/4. Lustrous and struck on a broad flan. Extremely Fine.


Sasanian Kingdom. Shapur II. Silver Drachm ( 4.22 g), AD 309-379, 23mm. Mint II ("Western" mint), ca. AD 320-379. Bust of Shapur II right, wearing mural crown with korymbos and inner ribbon. Reverse: Fire altar with ribbon and bust left in flames; flanked by two attendants, each wearing mural crown with korymbos; inscription on altar shaft. SNS type Ib1/3a; MK 1256; Göbl type Ia/6a. Choice Extremely Fine.



Sasanian Kingdom. Shapur II. Silver Drachm ( 4.21 g ), AD 309-379, 24 mm . Mint IX ("Kabul"),
ca. AD 320-379. Bust of Shapur II right, wearing mural crown with korymbos and inner ribbon. Reverse: Fire altar with ribbon and bust right in flames; flanked by two attendants, each wearing mural crown with korymbos; legend on altar shaft and base. SNS type Ib1/3a (pl. 9, 106); Göbl type Ia/6a. Well struck and lightly toned. Extremely Fine.


Sasanian Kingdom. Yazgard I. Gold Dinar (7.21 g), AD 399-420, 20mm. Sind. Bust of Yazdgard I right, wearing crown with frontal crescent and korymbos; letter to right. Reverse: Fire altar with ribbon; flanked by two attendants, each wearing mural crown with korymbos; pseudo-legend to each side of flames. SNS III pl. 145, C11; Paruck -; Sunrise 916 (this coin). Extremely Rare. Very Fine.


193 Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran V. Gold Dinar (7.16 g), AD 420-438, 17 mm . Sind. Bust of Varhran V right, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent; letters to right. Reverse: Fire altar with ribbons; flanked by two attendants; crescents flanking flames. SNS III pl. 145, C14; Senior, Coinage 5. Extremely Rare. Good Very Fine.


194 Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran V. Gold Dinar (7.18 g), AD 420-438, 20 mm . Sind. Bust of Varhran V right, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent; letter to right. Reverse: Fire altar with ribbons; flanked by two attendants; crescents flanking flames. Cf. SNS III pl. 145, C13-4 (additional letters before bust). Good Very Fine.


Sasanian Kingdom. Peroz I. Electrum Dinar (7.11 g), AD 457/9-484, 17mm. Sind. Bust of Peroz I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, korymbos set on crescent, and rear merlon; symbol before. Reverse: Fire altar with ribbons. ONS Newsletter 149 p. 6, 3. Very Fine.


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Sasanian Kingdom. Kavad I. Silver Obol ( 0.51 g), First reign, AD $488-497$, 13 mm . AW (Ohrmazd-Ardashir). Bust of Kavad I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders; star behind crown. Reverse: Fire altar with ribbons; flanked by two attendants; star and crescent flanking flames. Cf. SNS type I/1; Göbl type I/1. Very Rare. Exceptional quality. Mint State.


197 Sasanian Kingdom. Khusru I. Gold Dinar ( 3.95 g ), AD $531-579$, 26 mm . Imitative issue. SK (Sijistan), RY 27. Bust of Khustru I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders; flanking head, stars; crescents in margin. Reverse: Fire altar with ribbons turned upwards, flanked by two attendants; above flanking flames, star and crescent. Gobl -. Extremely Rare and unpublished. Mount removed. Wavy flan. Very Fine.


198 Arab-Sasanian. Khusru II type. Æ Unit ( 2.31 g ),, 20 mm . ST (Istakhr). Bust of Khusru II left, "Rayej"before. Reverse: Kufic Shahadah in three lines and mint abbreviation. Gyselen type 26. Reddish patina. Extremely Fine.


Kushano-Sasanians. Hormizd I.Gold Dinar (7.77 g), ca. AD 265-295, 28 mm . Hormizd I standing facing, head left, wearing lion-head crown with lotus blossom, flames at shoulders, sacrificing over altar and holding trident; trident to left, pellet to right of altar, pellet over swastika between legs, three pellets below left arm, tamgha to right. Reverse: Exalted god standing facing, holding diadem with ribbons and trident; behind, the bull Nandi standing to left. MK 707; ANS Kushan 2206; Donum Burns 815. Choice Extremely Fine.

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Kushano-Sasanians. Time of Ardashir-Peroz I. Gold Dinar (7.99 g), ca. AD 255-310, 27 mm . Imitating Vasudeva I. Baktrian mint. Vasudeva standing left, flames on shoulder, holding filleted standard, sacrificing over altar to left; filleted trident to left; symbol to left; swastika between legs; triple pellets below arm; tamgha to right. Reverse: Ithyphallic Siva standing facing, holding a garland or diadem and trident with O on shaft; behind, the bull Nandi standing leff; to upper left, pellet to left of tamgha; triple pellets below Nandi's head. Cf. MK 694 (Vasudeva II; no pellets below arm); ANS Kushan 1700; Donum Burns 476. Perfectly centered and fully lustrous. Choice Extremely Fine.

## ANCIENT COINAGE OF KHWAREZM

Set in the Amu Darya River delta, Khwarezm (Chorasmia) is bordered to the north by the Aral Sea, in the east by the Kyzylkum Desert, to the south by the Karakum Desert, and to the west by the Ustyurt Plateau. The native Khwarezmian historian al-Biruni (973-1048) claimed this land belonging to the mythical king Afrasiab was colonized 980 years before Alexander the Great when the hero of the Iranian epic Siyavash came to Khwarezm.

Like Sogdia, Khwarezmia rose as an expansion of the Bactria-Margiana culture during the Bronze Age, then later fused with the Indo-Iranians during their ca. 1000 BC migrations. When the king of Khwarezmia befriended Alexander the Great and aided in his Central Asian conquests, Khwarezm was already positioned as the most powerful kingdom northwest of the Amu Darya. A distinct Khwarezmian culture flourished, while the kingdom remained largely independent during the time of the Seleukid, Greco-Bactrian and Arsacid dynasties.

During the first century BC (or possibly before - the dating has been the subject of debate), an original Khwarezmian coinage evolved from two Bactrian sources: tetradrachms of Heraios and Eukratides imitations. Starting under the Siyavushid dynasty, coinage would continue under the Afrighids who rose to power in AD 305 and run through the Arab conquest (with Khwarezm's old iconographic tradition lasting even in the early period of Arab rule).



201 Khwarazmia. Unnamed King A. Silver Tetradrachm ( 15.49 g ), mid-late 1st century BC., 33 mm . Bearded bust right with a roundish face and large nose, wearing a cap-like kulah headdress with a posterior flap, a narrow diadem with a zigzag pattern, straight-lined ties going down back, and a pellet-in-annulet ornament; behind, Nike flying crowning him with a wreath; all within a bead-a-reel border. Reverse: IYIYE $\Omega$ IE ПГАVI.H, EIY $\mathcal{Y I} \Lambda$ Y below, king on horseback right; behind, "swan-shaped" tamgha . Fedorov, "Notes on the numismatics of ancient Khwarezm," Revue Numismatique 2005, p.166, 2. Excessively rare - we found no record of another specimen of this type ever sold. Deep slate-gray tone. Extremely Fine.


202 Khwarazmia. Unnamed King B. Silver Tetradrachm ( $\mathbf{1 3 . 1 3} \mathrm{g}$ ), late 1st century BC-early 1st century AD., 29 mm . Bearded bust right with a long face and aquiline nose, wearing a cap-like kulah headdress with a posterior flap, a broad diadem with a zigzag pattern, curving ties going down back, and a pellet-in-annulet ornament; behind, Nike flying crowning him with a wreath; all within a bead-a-reel border. Reverse: IVIVE $\Omega$ IE ME "swan-shaped" tamgha. Vainberg AIII var; Tolstoy pl. VI var., 1; Göbl, Dokumente pl. V = MIG type $498 v a r$; Fedorov "Notes on the numismatics of ancient Khwarezm," Revue Numismatique 2005, p. 166, 1. Very Rare. Extremely Fine.


Khwarazmia. Wazamar. Silver Tetradrachm ( 10.77 g ), late 3rd-first quarter of the 4th century AD., 30 mm . Diademed bearded bust right, with plaited hair, wearing a cap-like headdress surmounted by a seated falcon, all within a bead-and-reel border. Reverse: V (retrograde)V $\Omega=\mathrm{V} \Lambda \mathrm{V}$ above, wzm'r mlk' in Khwarezmian below, King on horseback right; behind, "swan-shaped" tamgha. Vainberg Б2.V; Tolstoy pl.I, 1; Göbl, Dokumente -. Extremely Rare. Slate-gray tone. Extremely Fine.


204 Khwarazmia. Bravik (Fravik). Silver Drachm ( 5.25 g), 7th century AD., 27 mm . Early type crowned bust right, "waves" atop crown, crescent in front, trailers from back of crown angle down. Reverse: King on horseback right, tamgha behind, mr'y mlk brwyk "Lord King Bravik (Fravik)". Vainberg pl. XXIII, Г III; Rtvelazde 48. Rare. Early fine style issue. Toned. Extremely Fine.

## GREEK IMPERIAL



Thrace, Perinthus. Caracalla. Æ Medallion ( 38.34 g), AD 198-217, 41mm. AD 215-217. AVT K M AVP CEOV $(\mathrm{HP}) \mathrm{A}(\mathrm{NT}) \Omega \mathrm{N} \in \mathrm{INOC}$, laureate and cuirassed bust of Caracalla right, aegis over left shoulder and gorgoneion on breastplate, holding spear over far shoulder. Reverse: ПЄPINఆI $\Omega$ $\mathrm{N} N \in \Omega K O P \Omega N$, Serapis standing left, holding uncertain object over flaming altar and scepter. Schönert, Perinthos 605; Varbanov 271/272 (obv./rev.). NGC grade Ch VF; Strike: 4/5, Surface: $3 / 5$. Fine style.


Thrace, Perinthus. Gordian III. Æ Medallion ( 30.77 g), AD 238-244, 37 mm . Homonoia with Cyzicus. AVT K M ANT ГОР $\Delta$ IANOC АVГ, laureate and cuirassed bust of Gordian III right, aegis on breastplate. Reverse: ПEPINEI $\Omega \mathrm{N} \Delta \mathrm{IC}(\mathrm{NE}) \mathrm{OKOP} \Omega \mathrm{N} / \mathrm{OMO} / \mathrm{NOI} / \mathrm{A}$ KVZIK(HN)/ $\Omega \mathrm{N}$, Kore of Cyzicus standing left, holding long torch, presenting grain ears to Tyche of Perinthus standing right, holding phiale over lighted and garlanded altar, and cornucopiae. Schönert -; FrankeNollé 1721; RPC VII.2, 632. Nearly Very Fine.


Thrace, Philippopolis. Antoninus Pius. Æ (14.18 g), AD 138-161, 32mm. Gargilius Anticus, hegemon. AVT AI A $\triangle$ PIA ANT $\Omega N I N O C$, laureate head of Antoninus Pius right. Reverse: НГЕ ГАРГІЛІ ANTIKOV ФІЛІППОПО- $Е І Т \Omega N$, the rivergod Hebrus reclining left, resting on an overturned urn from which water flows, holding a branch with fruit. Mouchmov, Philippopolis 43; Varbarov 692. Dark green patina. Minor roughness. Very Fine.


Thrace, Philippopolis. Caracalla. Æ Medallion (43.44 g), AD 198-217, 42 mm . AVT K M AVP CEVH ANT $\Omega$ NEINOC, laureate bust of Caracalla left, seen from behind, aegis on shoulder. Reverse: KOINON ЄPАК $\Omega$ N ALEZANDRIA EN ФІА/ІППОПО / ПVЄI-A, Sarapis standing facing, extending arm and holding scepter. Varbanov 1449. Black patina. Very Fine.


Crete, Uncertain mint. Nero. Silver Tetradrachm (10.09g), AD 54-68, 24 mm . after 64. NEP $\Omega \mathrm{N}$
 left, holding thunderbolt and scepter; in field around, seven stars. RPC I 975; Svoronos 34. Holed. Extremely Rare. Toned. Very Fine.


210 Pontus, Amasia. Severus Alexander. 厄 ( 24.49 g), AD 222-235, 32mm. CY 234 (AD 231/2). AVT K CEVHPOC A $A E \Xi A N \triangle P O C$, laureate, draped and cuirassed bust of Severus Alexander right. Reverse: $\mathrm{A} \triangle \mathrm{P}$ CE欠 $\mathrm{A} \Lambda$ AMACIAC MN ПР П / ЄТ С- $\Lambda \Delta$, quadriga facing, driven by radiate charioteer; below, eagle standing right, he left; all above altar with tree to left. Dalaison 632 (D152/R493); RPC VI Online temp. 6475. Dark green patina. Good Extremely Fine.


211 Pontus, Neocaesarea. Caracalla. Æ Tetrassarion (15.13 g), AD 198-217, 30mm. CY 200 (AD 263/4). [AYT K M] AYPH ANT $\Omega$ NIN[OC], Radiate, draped and cuirassed bust of Caracalla right. Reverse: KOI ПON NEO-[KAIC] MHTPO, statue on pedestal within tetrastyle temple; in exergue, ET P(MR). Çizmeli 139 (D6/R23); RG 78. Dark green patina. Nearly Very Fine.


Pontus, Neocaesarea. Gallienus. Æ Tetrassarion (10.90 g), AD 253-268, 22mm. CY 200 (AD 263/4). АҮТ К ПО ЛІК ГАААІНNOC, laureate, draped and cuirassed bust of Gallienus right. Reverse: [MH] NEO]KAICAPIAC, prize urn set on table; below, amphora; in exergue, [E]T C. Çizmeli 476 (D3/R3); RG 78. Dark green patina. Extremely Fine.

## Prometheus Creating Humanity from Clay



213 Bithynia, Nicaea. Maximinus I ‘Thrax'. Æ Assarion ( 7.92 g), AD $235-238,24 \mathrm{~mm}$. Г IƠ ƠH MAZIMEINOC A$\Gamma$, laureate, draped and cuirassed bust of Maximinus right; $\mathrm{c} / \mathrm{m}$ : laureate bust right within circula incuse. Reverse: NIKAIE $\Omega$ N, Prometheus seated right on rock, shaping nude human figure standing in front of him. Weiser 212; RG 652; SNG Copenhagen -; SNG von Aulock -; RPC VI Online 3329. Very Rare with just three examples cited in RPC. Very Fine.


214 Mysia, Pergamum. Commodus. Æ Medallion (35.57 g), AD 177-192, 42mm. Homonoia with Ephesus. ca. AD 180-182. P. Ai. Pios, strategos. [AV KAI M AV]-PH KOMO $\Delta$ OC, Laureate, draped and cuirassed bust of Commodus right. Reverse: ЕПI СТР П AI ПIOV KOINON OMO ПЄРГАМНN $\Omega \mathrm{N}$ KAI ЕФЕСI $\Omega$, cult statue of Artemis of Ephesus standing facing, wearing kalathos and having supports, on left; on right, Asklepios standing facing, head left, holding serpententwined staff. Franke \& Nollé 1545 and 1550 corr.; Kampmann 104, no. 18 and 21.3 corr. RPC IV. 2 Online 11337. NGC grade F; Strike: 4/5, Surface: $2 / 5$.


215 Troas, Ilium. Caracalla. ÆAssarion ( $\mathbf{9 . 6 6}$ g), AD 198-217, 27 mm . AV K M AVP ANT $\Omega$ NINOC, laureate, draped and cuirassed bust of Caracalla right. Reverse: I $\Lambda$ IE $\Omega$ N EKT $\Omega P$, Hector, in military attire and holding spear and shield, standing left, extending hand to Athena Ilios standing on low column. Cf. Bellinger T254 (for type, but with an older portrait of Caracalla). Dark brown patina. Very Fine.


216 Pisidia, Antiochia. Caracalla. Æ ( 24.16 g), AD $198-217,32 \mathrm{~mm}$. IMP CAES M AVR ANTONINVS AVG, laureate, draped and cuirassed bust of Caracalla right. Reverse: COL CAES ANTIOCH around, S R across field, Mên standing facing, head right, resting foot on bucranium, holding scepter and Nike on globe; to lower left, cock; to right, short column. Krzyzanovska XXVII/-; SNG BN 1173-4 var. (same obv. die; different arrangement of rev. legend). Well centered on a large flan. Choice Very Fine.


217 Pisidia, Antiochia. Gordian III. Æ (22.92 g), AD 238-244, 31mm. IMP CAES M ANT GORDIANVS AVG, laureate, draped and cuirassed bust of Gordian III right. Reverse: ANTIOCHIA around, S R in exergue, Gordian III, holding eagle tipped scepter and branch, in slow quadriga left; behind, Nike crowning him with wreath; to left, three soldiers holding palms. Krzyźanowska IX/36; SNG BN -; RPC VII. 2 2710. Green patina. Choice Very Fine.


Cilicia, Seleuceia ad Calycadnum. Trebonianus Gallus. Æ (20.98 g), AD 251-253, 36 mm . A $\Upsilon$ K ГА IOণ $\triangle$ TPEB $\Omega$ ГА $\Lambda \Lambda О С$, radiate, draped and cuirassed bust of Trebonianus Gallus right. Reverse: $\mathrm{CE} \Lambda \mathrm{E} \Upsilon \mathrm{KE} \Omega \mathrm{N} T \Omega \mathrm{~N}$ ПРОС $\mathrm{T} \Omega \mathrm{KA} \uparrow \Upsilon К А \triangle \mathrm{~N} \Omega$, laureate and draped bust of Apollo, on left, facing draped bust of Tyche, on right; behind Tyche, cornucopiae; between them, branch. RPC IX 1332; SNG BN 1046. Dark brown patina. Choice Very Fine.


Cilicia, Seleuceia ad Calycadnum. Trebonianus Gallus. Æ (18.00 g), AD 251-253, 31mm. A $\Upsilon$ K ГА IO؟ $\triangle$ TPEB $\Omega$ ГА $\Lambda \Lambda О С$, radiate, draped and cuirassed bust of Trebonianus Gallus right. Reverse: СЕ $\Lambda Е \Upsilon К Е \Omega N \mathrm{~T} \Omega \mathrm{~N}$ ПРОС $\mathrm{T} \Omega \mathrm{KA} \Upsilon \Upsilon \mathrm{KA} \Delta \mathrm{N} \Omega$, laureate and draped bust of Apollo, on left, facing draped bust of Tyche, on right; behind Tyche, cornucopiae; between them, branch. RPC IX 1332; SNG BN 1049. Dark green patina. Very Fine.


220 Cilicia, Tarsus. Domitian. Silver Tetradrachm ( $\mathbf{1 4 . 5 1} \mathrm{g}$ ), AD 81-96, 24mm. ca, AD 93-95. AYTO KAI $\Theta E$ YI $\triangle$ OMI - TIANO $\Sigma \Sigma \mathrm{E}$ ГEP, laureate head of Domitian right. Reverse:
MHTPOПO $\triangle \mathrm{E} \Sigma$, Tyche of Tarsus seated right on a rocky outcrop, holding palm branch; below AYTO KAI $\Theta E$ YI $\triangle$ OMI - TIANO $\Sigma \Sigma$ E TEP, laureate head of Domitian right. Reverse:
MHTPOПO $\triangle$ E $\Omega \Sigma$, Tyche of Tarsus seated right on a rocky outcrop, holding palm branch; below palm, monogram of Tarsus over the river god Kydnos. Prieur 750. RPC II 1727. Struck in high relief. Choice Very Fine.


221 Cilicia, Tarsus. Hadrian. Silver Tridrachm ( 9.01 g ), AD 117-138, 26 mm . ArT KAI $\Theta$ E TPA
 far shoulder. Reverse: TAPCE $\Omega$ N MНТРОПО $Е, \Omega \mathrm{C}$, Sandan standing right on a horned lion, extending arm, holding bipennis and wreath; $\mathrm{c} / \mathrm{m}$ : laueate head right within oval incuse. Prieur 767; RPC III 3266; Howgego 843. Lightly toned. Very Fine.


222 Cilicia, Tarsus. Herennia Etruscilla. Æ (12.66 g), Augusta, AD 249-251, 27 mm . ANNIAN AITPOYCKIム^AN CE, diademed and draped bust of Herennia Etruscilla right, crescent at shoulders. Reverse: TAPCO؟ MHTРОПОЛЕ $\Omega$ С Г В А M K, Dionysos, on leff, standing facing, placing hand on top of his head and being supported by a satyr. SNG Levante 1170; RPC IX 1375. Dark brown patina with some flecks of red. Very Fine.


223 Syria, Seleucis and Pieria. Antioch. Gaius (Caligula), with Agrippina I. Silver Tetradrachm ( $\mathbf{1 4 . 7 0} \mathbf{g}$ ), AD 37-41, 28mm. RY 2 (AD 37/8). ГAIO[ $\Upsilon$ KAILAPO $\Sigma$ EBBA ГEPMA], laureate head of Caligula right. Reverse: АГРІППЕINH[ $\Sigma$ A]NTIO MHTPO, draped bust of Agrippina right; in right field, B / ET. RPC I 4165; McAlee 223; Prieur 64. Very Rare with just a small handful of examples known. Good Fine.



Tetradrachm

224 Syria，Seleucis and Pieria．Antioch．Nero．Silver Tetradrachm（14．69 g），AD 54－68，22 mm．RY 10 and Caesarean Era 112 （AD 63／4）．NEP $\Omega$ N MAI $\Sigma A P \Sigma E B A \Sigma T O \Sigma$ ，laureate bust of Nero right，wearing aegis around neck．Reverse：ETOYミ BIP I，eagle standing right on thunderbolt；palm branch to right．McAlee 265b；Prieur 89；RPC I 4189．Choice Extremely Fine．


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225 Syria，Seleucis and Pieria．Antioch．Philip I．BI Tetradrachm（ $\mathbf{1 3 . 3 0}$ g），AD 244－249，25 mm．AD 248．AॅТОК K M IO〒АI ФІЛІППОС СЕВ，laureate，draped and cuirassed bust of Philp I right． Reverse：$\triangle$ HMAPX EЕO〒CIAC $\Upsilon П A ~ T O ~ \Delta ~ a r o u n d, ~ A N T I O X I A ~ / ~ S ~ C ~ i n ~ t w o ~ l i n e s ~ i n ~ e x e r g u e, ~$ eagle standing left，holding wreath in beak．McAlee 937a；Prieur 438．Fantastic portrait of Philip I， and a virtually unimprovable coin！NGC grade MS；Strike：5／5，Surface：5／5．


226 Syria，Seleucis and Pieria．Antioch．Philp II．BI Tetradrachm（11．29 g），AD 247－249， 27 mm ． AD 247．AケTOK K M IO〒АI ФІЛІППОС СЕВ，laureate，draped and cuirassed bust of Philp II left．Reverse：$\triangle$ HMAPX EЕO؟CIAC $\Upsilon П A ~ T O ~ \Delta ~ a r o u n d, ~ A N T I O X I A ~ / ~ S ~ C ~ i n ~ t w o ~ l i n e s ~ i n ~$ exergue，eagle standing left，holding wreath in beak．McAlee 1047；Prieur 468．NGC grade MS； Strike：5／5，Surface：4／5．


227 Syria, Seleucis and Pieria. Antioch. Philp II. BI Tetradrachm (11.92 g), AD 247-249, 27 mm . AD 247. AЋTOK K M IƠ^I ФІАІППОС СЕВ, laureate, draped and cuirassed bust of Philp II right. Reverse: $\triangle$ HMAPX EEOrCIAC $\Upsilon П A ~ T O ~ \Delta a r o u n d, ~ A N T I O X I A ~ / ~ S ~ C ~ i n ~ t w o ~ l i n e s ~$ in exergue, eagle standing left, holding wreath in beak. McAlee 1043; Prieur 473. NGC grade MS; Strike: $5 / 5$, Surface: $5 / 5$.
 Syria, Seleucis and Pieria. Antioch. Herennia Etruscilla. BI Tetradrachm ( 11.60 g ), Augusta,
AD $249-251,27 \mathrm{~mm}$. EPENNIA ETPO؟CKI $\Lambda A$ A CEB, diademed and draped bust of Herennia Etruscilla right, resting on a crescent. Reverse: $\triangle$ HMAPX EJOYCIAC around, S C in exergue, eagle standing on palm right, holding wreath in beak. McAlee 1165b; Prieur 608. Very Rare - just four specimens known to Prieur. NGC grade MS; Strike: 4/5, Surface: 3/5.


Syria, Seleucis and Pieria. Antioch. Trebonianus Gallus. BI Tetradrachm (11.22 g), AD 251253, 25 mm . AॅТОК К Г ОণIB ТРЕВ ГАААОС СЕВ, laureate, draped and cuirassed bust of Trebonianus Gallus right; below, two pellets. Reverse: $\triangle$ HMAPX EZOYCIAC around, S C in exergue, eagle standing facing, head right, holding wreath in beak; between legs, B. McAlee 1173b; Prieur 659; RPC IX 1794. Struck in high relief. NGC grade MS; Strike: 4/5, Surface: 5/5.


Syria, Seleucis and Pieria. Laodicea ad Mare. Elagabalus. Æ ( 6.96 g ), AD $218-222,19 \mathrm{~mm}$. IMP C M AVR ANTONINVS, laureate head of Elagabalus right. Reverse: LAODICEON, draped bust of Tyche to right within distyle arched shrine. SNG Hunterian 3221; BMC 99; Lindgren I 2100A. Very Fine.

Dido Founding Carthage



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231 Phoenicia, Tyre. Valerian I. Æ (16.52 g), AD 253-260, 28mm. [IM]P C P LIC VALERIANVS AV[G], radiate, draped and cuirassed bust of Valerian I right. Reverse: COL TVRO METRO, Dido founding Carthage: Dido standing left, holding rule and transverse scepter; to left above, a mason works atop the gate of a city; below, a worker digs with a pick. Rouvier 2502; BMC 470; Lindgren III 1479; RPC X Online 62916. Nice for the issue. Very Fine.



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232 Samaria, Caesarea Maritima. Severus Alexander. Æ ( $\mathbf{1 3 . 5 2}$ g), AD 222-235, 24mm. IMP C SEVER ALEXAND AVG, laureate, draped and cuirassed bust of Severus Alexander right. Reverse: CIFA FC CAE METROPOLI, eagle, with open wings, standing right, head turned left, supporting wreath inscribed S P Q R. BMC 118; SNG ANS 807. Green patina. Good Very Fine.

233 Samaria, Neapolis. Julia Soaemias. Æ (9.99 g), Augusta, AD 218-222, 22mm. SVAEM[IAS] AVGVSTA SEB, draped bust of Julia Soaemias right. Reverse: CO[L L SEP] above, SEBAS[TE] in exergue, The Rape of Persephone: Hades in galloping quadriga right, carrying Persephone; above, Eros flying right; below horses, overturned cista mystica. Rosenberger 34; SNG ANS 1084. Attractive earthen patina, and a popular mythological type. Choice Very Fine.


Samaria, Neapolis. Trebonianus Gallus. Æ( $\mathbf{1 2 . 2 8 g}$ ), AD $251-253,26 \mathrm{~mm}$. АЯТКАІГ OҮЕТРЕВ ГА $\Lambda О С$, laureate and cuirassed bust of Trebonianus Gallus right. Reverse: Ф $\Lambda$ NЕАСПО $К Е С, ~ M t . ~$ Gerizim with temple in perspective, and altar (on the l.), steep stairway and colonnade, enclosed by wreath; below, eagle facing, head 1., spreading wings. Rosenberger 113; Sofaer 219; RPC IX 2144. Black patina with eathen highlights. Choice Very Fine.


Arabia Petraea, Bostra(?). Trajan. Silver Tridrachm ( 10.88 g ), AD 98-117, 24 mm . AD 112-114. AケTOKP KAIC NEP TPAIANOC CEB ГEPM $\triangle A K$, laureate bust of Trajan right, slight drapery on far shoulder. Reverse: $\triangle$ HMAPX $E \Xi \Upsilon П A T O ~ \varsigma$, cult image of Artemis Pergaia within distyle temple; in pediment, eagle with wings displayed. Ganschow X15b (Caesarea in Cappadocia); RPC III 4069 (Arabian mint); Sydenham 190a (Caesarea in Cappadocia). NGC grade Ch VF; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 4/5.


236 Mesopotamia, Carrhae. Marcus Aurelius. Æ ( 5.17 g ), AD 161-180, 20 mm . AケTOKP KAIC MAP AЋPHAI OЋHPOC (?), laureate head of Marcus Aurelius right. Reverse: KAPHN $\omega \mathrm{N}$ $\Phi \mathrm{I} \Lambda \mathrm{OP} \omega \mathrm{MAI} \omega \mathrm{N}$ (?), star above crescent on globe. RPC IV. 3 Online 6482; BMC 1. Rare. Dark brown patina. Very Fine.

## ROMAN REPUBLIC



Anonymous. Silver Quadrigatus ( 5.63 g ), ca. 225-214 BC, 19 mm . Uncertain mint. Laureate head of Janus. Reverse: ROMA incuse on raised tablet below, Jupiter, hurling thunderbolt and holding scepter, in galloping quadriga right driven by Victory. Crawford 28/3; Sydenham 65; RSC 24. Darkly toned. NGC grade Ch VF; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 3/5. Inked collection number.


Anonymous. Silver Quinarius ( $\mathbf{2} .52$ g) , after 211 BC, 16 mm . Uncertain mint. Helmeted head of Roma right; behind, V. Reverse: ROMA, The Dioscuri galloping right, each holding couched lance. Crawford 48/1; Sydenham 166; RSC -. About Mint State.


Anonymous. Silver Victoriatus ( 3.22 g), ca. 211-208 BC, 17 mm . Laureate head of Jupiter right. Reverse: ROMA, Victory standing right, crowning trophy with wreath; in field, L. Crawford 97/1a; Sydenham 121; RSC 36e. Lustrous, and struck from fresh dies. NGC grade MS.


240 M. Baebius Q.f. Tampilus. Silver Denarius ( 3.93 g), 137 BC, 20 mm . Rome. TAMPIL behind, helmeted head of Roma left, wearing pendant necklace; below chin, denomination. Reverse: ROMA below, M BAEBI Q F in exergue, Apollo, holding bow and arrow, driving galloping quadriga right. Crawford 236/1a; Sydenham 489; Baebia 12. NGC grade MS; Strike: 4/5, Surface: 4/5. Scratch.


241 Q. Thermus M.f. Silver Denarius ( 3.99 g ), $103 \mathrm{BC}, 17 \mathrm{~mm}$. Rome. Helmeted head of Mars left. Reverse: $\mathrm{Q} \cdot(\mathrm{THE}) \mathrm{RM} \cdot(\mathrm{MF})$, Two warriors fighting, each armed with a sword and shield; the one on the left protects a fallen comrade, the other wears a horned helmet. Crawford 319/1; Sydenham 592; Minucia 19. Beautiful old collection toning. NGC grade Ch XF; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 4/5.


242 C. Marcius Censorinus. Æ As ( 6.92 g), 88 BC, 25 mm . Rome. NV[MA • POMPILI •] ANCVS [• MARCI], jugate heads of Numa Pompilius and Ancus Marcius, to right. Reverse: [C .] CENSO above, [ROMA] to left, two ships crossing; behind, spiral column bearing statue of Victory. Crawford 346/4a; BMCRR 2415; RBW 1321; Sydenham 715. Green patina. Very Fine.

The moneyer responsible for this interesting As depicting the heads of the early Roman kings Numa Pompilius and Ancus Marcius on the obverse was a Marian legate who died in 82 BC while fighting in the final battle with Sulla. The head of King Ancus Marcus alludes to the descent of the moneyer's gens, Marcia, from him, and thus also to his grandfather the earlier king, Numa Pompilius, a reference Crawford calls "geneological fiction" (p.361).The reverse is also quite interesting as being the first numismatic depiction of Rome's port, Ostia, which was reputedly founded by Ancus Marcius, and shows a ship as well as a victory column, perhaps that commemorating the victory of C. Marcius Rutilus, an ancestor of the moneyer who was Dictator in 356 as well as having been elected Consul four times.


243 Cn. Lentulus. Silver Denarius ( 3.61 g ), 76 BC, 18 mm . Uncertain mint in Spain. G P R above, diademed and draped bust of the Genius of the Roman People right, scepter over shoulder. Reverse: CN LEN Q in exergue, EXS C across field, scepter, globe, and rudder. Crawford 393/1a; Sydenham 752; Cornelia 54. NGC grade Ch XF; Strike: 5/5, Surface: $2 / 5$. Scratches.

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244 Mn. Aquillius Mn.f. Mn.n. Silver Denarius (3.82 g), 65 BC, 19mm. Rome. III VIR behind, VIRTVS before, helmeted and draped bust of Virtus right. Reverse: (MN) AQVIL (MN) F (MN) N, SICIL in exergue, the consul Man. Aquillius standing left, head right, raising a prostrate Sicilia before him, and holding shield. Crawford 401/1; Sydenham 798; Aquillia 2. Beautifully toned. NGC grade Ch AU; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 4/5.

The types on this handsome denarius recall the virtue of the moneyer's grandfather, Manius Aquillius, who diligently quelled the slave revolt in Sicily (104-101 BC) that had defied three earlier governors. In 104 BC , the consul Marius took command in Gaul to subdue the Cimbri and Teutones, and the Senate granted him permission to request troops from Rome's allies so that he might pursue the war. When he asked Nikomedes of Bithynia for troops, the king responded that he had none to spare as most of his men had been seized by Roman tax farmers as slaves. The Senate then decreed that no citizen of allied states could be held in slavery to serve in Rome's provinces, and instructed the praetors to see to their liberation.

In Sicily, the Roman governor P. Licinius Nerva freed about 800 slaves, but then a group of influential landowners and wealthy elites convinced the governor to desist. The slaves who had not yet been freed stole away from the farms in open revolt. Licinius initially pursued these slaves and inflicted a serious defeat upon them, but when he failed to follow up his victory this emboldened other slaves in the province and the revolt quickly escalated. Soon there was a slave army of 40,000 ravaging the province, inflicting serious defeates on Roman forces sent to pursue them.

All this changed in 101 BC with the arrival of the moneyer's ancestor, the governor Manius Aquillius. He quickly wore down the slave army, reducing their strongholds to rubble and killing many. He defeated their leader in single combat in a notable battle, although he himself suffered a serious head wound. After recovering, he quickly mopped up further resistance and pacified the province.


245 M. Aemilius Scaurus and Pub. Plautius Hypsaeus. Silver Denarius ( 3.87 g), $58 \mathrm{BC}, 17 \mathrm{~mm}$. Rome. M SCAVR above, EX S C across field, AED CVR in exergue, the Nabatean king Aretas kneeling to right, extending olive-branch and holding reins, before camel standing right. Reverse: P HVPSAEVS / AED CVR in two lines above, CAPTVM to right, C HVPSAE COS / PREIVER in two lines in exergue, Jupiter driving quadriga left. Crawford 422/1a; Sydenham 912; Aemilia 9. NGC grade Ch AU; Strike: 5/5, Surface: $3 / 5$.

L. Marcius Philippus. Silver Denarius ( 3.64 g), 57 BC, 20 mm . Rome. ANCVS below, diademed head of Ancus Marcius right; behind, lituus. Reverse: PHILIPPVS on left, equestrian statue right on arcade of five arches; within arches, AQVA (MAR). Crawford 425/1; Sydenham 919; Marcia 18. NGC grade MS; Strike: 4/5, Surface: 3/5.

The obverse of portrays the diademed head of Ancus Marcius, the fourth King of Rome. He was the progenitor of the Marcia gens which had at least two branches, the Philippi and the Reges. Although L. Marcius Philippus belonged to the Philippi branch of the Marcii, he appropriated an event from the Reges branch as it was the praetor Quintus Marcius Rex who built the Aqua Marcia in 144-140 BC. Perhaps the moneyer was being a little devious to illustrate something he could not rightfully claim; the man in the street probably would simply assume that it was the moneyer's ancestor who had supplied Rome with it's greatest source of potable water.

( 3.86 g), 55 BC, 18 mm . Rome. Head of Bonus Eventus Q. Cassius Longinus. Silver Denarius
right, scepter at shoulder. Reverse: Q CASSIVS, eagle with wings displayed standing right on thunderbolt; in left field, lituus; in right field, capis. Crawford 428/3; Sydenham 916; Cassia 7. Banker's mark on obverse. Good Very Fine.

L. Plautius Plancus. Silver Denarius ( 3.86 g ), $47 \mathrm{BC}, 19 \mathrm{~mm}$. Rome. L PLAVTIVS below, Mask of Medusa with disheveled hair facing, coiled serpent at either side of face. Reverse: PLANCVS below, Aurora flying right, head slightly left, holding reins and conducting the four horses of the sun. Crawford 453/1b; HCRI 29; Sydenham 959a; Plautia 15a; FFC 1003 (this coin illus.). A truly wonderful example with a sharp, clear strike, and pleasing light toning. NGC grade AU; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 5/5.

Ex CNG 121 (8 October 2022), 748;
Roma XVII (28 March 2019), 679;
Alba Longa Collection;
Marian Sinton Collection (Triton III, 30 November 1999), 936


Augustus. Silver Denarius ( $\mathbf{3 . 8 5} \mathrm{g}$ ), 27 BC-AD 14, 19 mm . Lugdunum, 2 BC-AD 12. CAESAR AVGVSTVS DIVI F PATER PATRIAE, laureate head of Augustus right. Reverse: AVGVSTI F COS DESIG PRINC IVVENT around, CL CAESARES in exergue, Gaius and Lucius Caesars standing facing, each togate and resting a hand on one of two shields set on ground between them; behind shields, two crossed spears; above, on left, simpulum right, and on right, lituus left. RIC 207; Lyon 82; BMC 519-33; RSC 43. A nice sharp strike and delicately toned. NGC grade Ch XF; Strike: 4/5, Surface: $4 / 5$.


Divus Augustus. Æ Sestertius (24.52 g), died AD 14, 33mm. Rome, under Nerva, AD 9698. DIVVS AVGVSTVS, laureate head of Augustus right. Reverse: IMP NERVA CAESAR AVGVSTVS REST, around large S C. RIC 136; BN 141; BMC 149. Very Rare. Struck on a full flan. Light porosity and minor smoothing. Choice Very Fine.


251 Tiberius. Silver Denarius ( 3.68 g), AD 14-37, 19 mm . ‘Tribute Penny' type. Lugdunum, AD 1835. TI CAESAR DIVI AVG F AVGVSTVS, laureate head of Tiberius right. Reverse: PONTIF MAXIM, Livia, as Pax, seated right on throne with ornate legs, resting feet on footstool, holding scepter and olive branch. RIC 30; Lyon 150; BMC 48; RSC 16a. NGC grade AU; Strike: 5/5, Surface: $3 / 5$.


252 Claudius. Æ Quadrans ( 2.84 g ), AD 41-54, 16mm. Rome, AD 41. TI CLAVDIVS CAESAR AVG, modius. Reverse: PON M TR P IMP COS DES IT, around large S C. RIC 84; BMC 179. About Extremely Fine.


Claudius. Æ Quadrans ( $\mathbf{3 . 5 2}$ g), AD $41-54,16 \mathrm{~mm}$. Rome, AD 41. TI CLAVDIVS CAESAR AVG, hand holding scales; below, PNR. Reverse: PON M TR P IMP COS DES IT, around large $S$ C. RIC 85; BMC 174. About Extremely Fine.


Britannicus. Bosporan Kingdom. Kotys I. Æ 8 Units ( 5.53 g ), AD 49-54, 20 mm . Bare head of Britannicus right. Reverse: Diademed head of Cotys right; behind, royal monogram behind, below chin, H. MacDonald 328; Anokhin 345; RPC I 1926. Lovely black patina. Good Very Fine.


Nero. Silver Denarius ( 3.23 g), AD 54-68, 18 mm . Rome, ca. AD 66/7. NERO CAESAR AVGVSTVS, laureate head of Nero right, sporting slight beard. Reverse: SALVS in exergue, Salus seated left, holding patera. RIC 60; WCN 60; BMC 90; RSC 314. Struck in high relief and lightly toned with underlying luster present. Choice Extremely Fine.


256 Vespasian. Æ Sestertius ( 27.65 g), AD 69-79, 32mm. Rome, AD 71. IMP CAES VESPAS AVG P M TR P P P COS III, laureate head of Vespasian right. Reverse: SALVS AVGVSTA, S C in exergue, Salus seated left, holding patera and scepter. RIC 246; BN 535; BMC -. Green and brown patina. Choice Very Fine.


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257 Trajan. Silver Denarius ( 3.32 g), AD 98-117, 18 mm . Rome, AD 98/9. IMP CAES NERVA TRAIAN AVG GERM, laureate head of Trajan right. Reverse: P M TR P COS II P P, Vesta, veiled, seated left, holding patera and torch. RIC 9; Woytek 60a; BMC 26; RSC 203. Choice Very Fine.


Trajan. Æ Sestertius ( $\mathbf{2 8 . 1 2}$ g), AD 98-117, 34mm. Rome, AD 106-107. IMP CAES NERVAE TRAIANO AVG GER DAC P M TR P COS V P P, laureate bust of Trajan right, wearing unusual "open" aegis. Reverse: S P Q R OPTIMO PRINCIPI around, S C across field, Aequitas standing left, holding scales and cornucopiae. RIC 497 var. (bust type); BMC p. 165, note *; Woytek 237bC. Dark green patina. Very Fine.


259 Trajan. Silver Denarius ( $\mathbf{3 . 1 7}$ g), AD 98-117, 19 mm . Rome, ca. AD 112/3. IMP TRAIANO AVG GER DAC P M TR P COS VI P P, laureate bust of Trajan right, slight drapery on far shoulder. Reverse: S P Q R OPTIMO PRINCIPI around, ALIM ITAL in exergue, Annona standing facing, head left, holding grain ears and cornucopiae; to left, child standing facing, head right. RIC 243; Woytek 395b; BMC 468; RSC 9. Lightly toned with underlying luster. Choice Extremely Fine.

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Divus Trajan. Silver Antoninianus ( 3.13 g ), died AD 117, 20 mm . Rome, under Trajan Decius, AD 251. DIVO TRAIANO, radiate bust of Divus Trajan right, slight drapery on far shoulder. Reverse: CONSECRATIO, lighted altar with two doors. RIC 86a; RSC 664. Well struck on a broad flan and lightly toned. Choice Extremely Fine.


261 Marcus Aurelius. Silver Denarius ( 3.20 g), AD 161-180, 18mm. Rome, AD 169/70. M ANTONINVS AVG TR P XXIIII, laureate head of Marcus Aurelius right. Reverse: COS III, Minerva advancing right, preparing to hurl spear and holding shield. RIC 211; BMC 509; RSC 123. Toned. Good Very Fine.


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262 Commodus. Silver Denarius ( 3.50 g), AD 177-192, 19mm. Rome, AD 192. L AEL AVREL COMM AVG P FEL, laureate head of Commodus right. Reverse: MATRI DEV CONSERV AVG, Cybele, wearing mural crown, seated facing on lion leaping right, holding drum and scepter. RIC 258; BMC 353; RSC 354. Very Rare. Darkly toned. Slight die shift. Good Very Fine.



263 Caracalla. Gold Aureus ( 7.14 g ), AD 198-217, mm. Laodicea ad Mare, AD 198. IMP CAE M.AVR ANT AVG, youthful, laureate, and cuirassed bust of Caracalla right, aegis on the breastplate. Reverse: SPES PV-BLICA, Spes advancing left, holding a lily, and raising the hem of her stola. RIC 333 (R2); BMC 646 and pl., 43, 18 (same dies); Calicó 2821 (this coin). Very Rare. NGC grade MS*; Strike: $5 / 5$, Surface: $5 / 5$. Fine style.

Ex Heritage "CICF World adn Anceint Coins Signature Auction" (10 April 2014), 23621;
Ex Andre Constantine Dimitriadis Collection (Sotheby's, Zürich, 26 October 1993), 106;
Ex NFA XX (9 March 1988), 271
Ex "Collection of a Deceased Nobleman, formed before the Great War" (Sotheby's, Zürich, 28 November 1986), 106;

Ex Bruder Egger, Vienna, (20 April 1904), 194.
After defeating Clodius Albinus in February AD 197 near Lugdunum in one of the largest battles in Roman history, Septimius Severus turned his attention back to the East. He would punish the Parthians for their invasion of Roman territory while he had been in Gaul. His campaign was very successful and after taking the Parthian capital of Ctesiphon on January 28, 198, he took the title of Parthicus Maximus and raised his older son, the 10-year Caracalla from Caesar to Augustus, while giving his youngest son Geta the title of Caesar. Caracalla's new title is reflected on this coin, while the symbolism speaks of the Severan hopes for the future. Caracalla's breastplate is adorned with the gorgoneion; the aegis which they believed gave the wearer an aura of immortality and celestial protection. The reverse depicts Spes, the personification of hope, a hope that the young heir would continue a stable dynasty and bring glory to the empire, and an expression of the stability the Severans were bringing to an empire racked by years of civil war.

In Severus' sack of Ctesiphon, the Romans took much treasure, and the gold used for this Aureus likely came from those spoils of war. The striking of a gold coin at Laodicea ad Mare, meanwhile, was a signal honor, an honor the Syrian metropolis had earned. The city had supported Septimius Severus during the civil war of 193-194, and was the Imperial family's residence in Syria. The larger and more well-known Antioch ad Orantum, though, had supported Pescennius Niger and its mint had struck his revolt coinage. In consequence, Antioch's minting rights were greatly curtailed, while the mint at Laodicea saw much activity during the first decade of Severus' reign.


264 Caracalla. Silver Denarius ( 3.37 g), AD 198-217, 18mm. Rome, AD 208. ANTONINVS PIVS AVG, laureate head of Caracalla right. Reverse: PONTIF TR P XI COS III / PROF, emperor on horseback right, trampling captive. RIC 108, RSC 510. NGC grade AU; Strike: 4/5, Surface: 5/5.


265 Geta. Silver Denarius ( 3.41 g), as Caesar, AD 198-209, 20 mm . Laodicea ad Mare, AD 200-202. P SEPT GETA CAES PONT, bare-headed and draped bust of Geta right. Reverse: PIETAS, Pietas standing left, extending arm; at feet to left, altar. RIC 99; BMC 720; RSC 97. Beautifully toned and sharply struck. Choice Extremely Fine.


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266 Geta. Silver Denarius ( 3.88 g), as Caesar, AD 198-209, 19mm. Laodicea ad Mare, AD 203. P SEPTIMIVS GETA CAES, laureate, draped and cuirassed bust of Geta right. Reverse: MINERV SANCT, Minerva standing to left, leaning on shield and holding spear. RIC 105a; BMC 750; RSC 83a. oned. Nearly Extremely Fine.


Elagabalus. Silver Denarius ( 3.09 g), AD 218-222, 19 mm . Antioch, AD 218/9. ANTONINVS PIVS FEL AVG, laureate, draped and cuirassed bust of Elagabalus right. Reverse: CONCORDIA around, MILIT in exergue, two standards between two vexilla surmounted by eagles. RIC 187; BMC 275; RSC 15 . Nicely toned. The obverse struck off center. About Extremely Fine.


Diva Mariniana. Æ Sestertius ( $\mathbf{1 6 . 1 5}$ g), died before AD 253, 27 mm . Rome, AD 253/4. DIVAE MARINIANAE, diademed, veiled and draped bust of Mariniana right. Reverse: CONSECRATIO around, S C across field, Peacock standing facing, head left, tail in splendor. Cf. RIC 9 (head of peacock to right); MIR 36, 212d. Green patina. Minor roughness and a flan crack. About Very Fine.


269 Galerius. Silver Argenteus ( 3.95 g), as Caesar, AD 293-305, 19mm. Treveri, AD 295-297. MAXIMIA-NVS NOB C, laureate head of Galerius right. Reverse: VIRTVS MILITVM, the four Tetrarchs sacrificing over a tripod in front of a camp-gate with six turrets; C. RIC 110b. Toned. Extremely Fine.

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Constantius I. Silver Argenteus ( 2.79 g) , as Caesar, AD 293-305, 18mm. Siscia, AD 294/5 CONSTANTI-VS CAESAR, laureate head of Constantius I right. Reverse: VICTORIA SARMAT, the four Tetrarchs sacrificing over a tripod in front of a camp-gate with eight turrets. RIC 35a; Jelocnik 10a. Rare. Attractively toned. Extremely Fine.

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271 A lot of four 4th century reduced folles, all silvered and all graded MS by NGC., mm. Includes: Licinius I. Cyzicus. Jupiter // Constantine I. Thessalonica. Camp-gate // Constantine II, as Caesar. Nicomedia. Camp-gate // Constantius II, as Caesar. Cyzicus. Camp-gate.

## BYZANTINE



272
Maurice Tiberius. Æ 8 Pentanummi or Follis ( 15.21 g), 582-602, 31 mm . Cherson. XEPCONOC, Maurice, on left, holding globus cruciger, and Constantina, on right, holding long cruciform scepter, both nimbate, standing facing. Reverse: Theodosius, nimbate, standing facing, holding staff surmounted by Christogram; to right, cross and large H. DOC 299; MIB 15c; SB 605. Dark green patina. Choice Very Fine.


273 Maurice Tiberius. $\npreceq 1 / 2$ Follis ( 6.97 g), 582-602, 23 mm . Cherson. XEP-C $\omega$ NOC, Maurice, on left, holding globus cruciger, and Constantina, on right, holding long cruciform scepter, both nimbate, standing facing. Reverse: Theodosius, nimbate, standing facing, holding staff surmounted by Christogram; to right, cross above large K. DOC 298; MIB 162; SB 608. Dark green patina. Choice Very Fine.


Maurice Tiberius. Æ 4 Pentanummi or $1 / 2$ Follis ( 6.48 g), 582-602, 24 mm . Cherson. XEPCONOC, Maurice, on left, holding globus cruciger, and Constantina, on right, holding long cruciform scepter, both nimbate, standing facing. Reverse: Theodosius, nimbate, standing facing, holding staff surmounted by Christogram; to right, cross above large $\Delta$. DOC 301; MIB 161a; SB 610. Very Fine.


Maurice Tiberius. Æ 4 Pentanummi or $1 / 2$ Follis ( 3.87 g ), $582-602,18 \mathrm{~mm}$. Cherson. Maurice,
275 on left, holding globus cruciger, and Constantina, on right, holding long cruciform scepter, both nimbate, standing facing. Reverse: Theodosius, nimbate, standing facing, holding staff surmounted by Christogram; to right, cross above large $\Delta$. Cf. DOC 301; cf. MIB 161a; cf. SB 610. Possibly unpublished as a cast issue. About Very Fine.

This unusual coin copies the types of the 4 Pentanummi issues of Maurice Tiberius from Cherson, but instead of being struck it is a cast issue, much like the eight and ninth century Byzantine issues from Cherson. Perhaps it is simply a late imitation of the early issues struck under Maurice.


276 Heraclius. Æ 8 Pentanummi or Follis ( 8.35 g), 610-641, 26 mm . Cherson, 616-624. dd NN hERAC ET hERA CON, Heraclius, on left, and Heraclius Constantine, on right, standing facing, each holding globus cruciger; above, cross. Reverse: Martina standing left, holding long staff topped by reversed staurogram; large H to left. DOC 311; MIB 265; Anokhin 322; SB 926. Very Rare. Green patina. Somewhat porous. Very Fine.


Constans II. Gold Solidus ( 4.49 g ), 641-668, 21 mm . Constantinople, $642-645 . \delta \mathrm{N}$ CONS $\tau$ AN$\tau$ INYS P P AVG, crowned bust of Constans II facing, beardless, holding globus cruciger. Reverse: VICTORIA AVGU, cross potent on three steps; Г//CONOBK. DOC 2 (Heraclonas; officina not listed); MIB 4a; SB 937. Fully lustrous and perfectly centered. Superb Mint State.


278 Justinian II. Gold Solidus ( 4.47 g ), second reign, $705-711,20 \mathrm{~mm}$. Constantinople, 705. [d N] IhS CRS REXE RGNANTIYM, bust of Christ facing, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels; cross behind head. Reverse: D IUS-TINIA-NYS MYLTYS AN, crowned bust of Justinian facing, wearing loros, holding cross potent on three steps and patriarchal cross on globe inscribed P[AX]. DOC 1; MIB 1; SB 1413. NGC grade MS; Strike:4/5, Surface: $4 / 5$.


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279 Anastasius II Artemius. Gold Tremissis (1.44 g), 713-715, 15mm. Constantinople. [D N APTEMIYS ANASTASIYS MYL], Crowned and diademed bust of Anastasius II facing, wearing chlamys, holding globus cruciger and akakia. Reverse: VICTORIA AVSЧ, Cross potent; S//CON[OB]. DOC 5; MIB 7; SB 1467. Struck on a tight and slightly wavy flan. Choice Very Fine.


Constantine V Copronymus. Gold Solidus (3.70 g), 741-775, 19mm. Syracuse, 751-775. [CO.. LEON], Crowned facing busts of Constantine V and Leo IV, both wearing clamys; above, cross. Reverse: [C N O LEON P A M Ч], Crowned facing bust of Leo III, wearing loros and holding cross in his right hand. DOC 15c; SB 1565. Graffiti. Clipped. Nearly Extremely Fine.


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281 Michael II, the Amorian. Gold Tremissis (1.25 g), 820-829, 12mm. Syracuse, 821-829. mI XAHL b, crowned facing bust of Michael II, wearing chlamys, holding globus cruciger. Reverse: $\Theta \in$ OFILOS, crowned facing bust of Theophilus, wearing chlamys, holding cross potent. DOC 19; SB 1649. Fully lustrous and with complete legends. Mint State.


Constantine VII and Romanus I. Gold Solidus (4.48 g), 920-944, 22 mm . Constantinople, 931944. + IhS XPS REX RE§NANTIЧM, Christ enthroned facing, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels. Reverse: + COhS $\tau$ Ah $\tau \mathrm{IhOS}$ C€ ROMAhEN X $\omega$ b' R', Romanus and Constantine standing facing, each holding globus cruciger and supporting patriarchal cross between. DOC 10; SB 1749. Rare. NGC grade AU; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 5/5.


283 Basil II Bulgaroktonos. Gold Histamenon Nomisma (4.42 g), 976-1025, 21 mm . Constantinople, 977. + IhS XIS REX REGNANTInm, Bust of Christ Pantokrator facing, holding Gospels. Reverse: + bASIL' C COnSTAnTIn' b' R', Crowned busts of Basil, on left, wearing loros, and Constantine, on right, wearing chlamys, holding patriarchal cross between them. DOC 1; Füeg II 1.A; SB 1795. DOC 1; SB 1795. Rare. Lovely style and well struck. NGC grade AU; Strike: 5/5, Surface: 4/5.


Romanus III Argyrus. Gold Histamenon Nomisma (4.42 g), 1028-1034, 24 mm . Constantinople. + IhS XIS REX REGNANTInm, Christ, nimbate, enthroned facing, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels. Reverse: $\Theta \mathrm{CE} \mathrm{bOH} \Theta^{\prime} \mathrm{R} \omega \mathrm{mAn} \omega$, Romanus III standing facing on left, wearing saccos and loros, placing hand to breast and holding globus-cruciger, being crowned by the Virgin Mary, standing facing on right, nimbate, wearing pallium and maphorium; between their heads, M $\Theta$. DOC 1b; SB 1819. Edge mark. NGC grade Ch AU; Strike: 5/5, Surface: $3 / 5$.

$\mathrm{ma}(4.41 \mathrm{~g}), 1028-1034,24 \mathrm{~mm}$. Constantinople. + IhS XIS REX REGNANTInm, Christ, nimbate, enthroned facing, wearing pallium and colobium, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels. Reverse: $\Theta C E b O H \Theta ' R \omega m A n \omega$, Romanus III standing facing on left, wearing saccos and loros, placing hand to breast and holding globus-cruciger, being crowned by the Virgin Mary, standing facing on right, nimbate, wearing pallium and maphorium; between their heads, M@. DOC 1d; SB 1819. Lustrous and well struck. NGC grade AU; Strike: 5/5, Surface: $4 / 5$.


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Constantine X Ducas. Gold Histamenon (4.40 g), 1059-1067, 27mm. Constantinople, 10621065. + IhS XIS REX REGNANTInm, Christ, nimbate, seated on square-backed throne, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels. Reverse: + K $\omega n$ RAC $\Lambda$ O $\triangle$ OVKAC, emperor standing facing on cushion, holding labarum with pellet on shaft and globus cruciger. DOC 1; SB 1847. Minor edge mark. About Extremely Fine.



Michael VII Ducas. Gold Histamenon Nomisma ( 3.27 g), 1071-1078, 25 mm . Constantinople. IC - XC, Christ Pantokrator enthroned facing, nimbate, facing, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels. Reverse: + MIX- $\Delta \mathrm{H} \Lambda$ RACI $\Lambda \mathrm{O} \Delta$, Crowned bust of Michael VII facing, wearing loros, holding labarum and globus-cruciger. DOC 1; SB 1869. Very Fine.
 Nicephorus III Botaniates. Electrum Histamenon Nomisma ( 4.25 g ),
Constantinople. IC - XC, Christ seated facing on throne without back, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels. Reverse: + NIКНФ $\triangle \mathrm{ECП-T} \omega$ ROTANIAT, Nicephorus standing facing, holding labarum with X on shaft and globus cruciger with hanging pear-shaped object. DOC 3; SB 1881. Flan crack. Very Fine.


Nicephorus III Botaniates. Electrum Histamenon Nomisma (4.13 g), 1078-1081, 27 mm . Constantinople. IC - XC, Christ Pantokrator seated facing on throne, holding Gospels. Reverse: + NIKHФ $\triangle \mathrm{EC} \mathrm{T} \omega$ BOTANIAT', Nicephorus standing facing on a suppedion, holding labarum and globus cruciger. DOC 2, SB 1882. Mark on edge at 12 o'clock. Choice Very Fine.


John II Comnenus. Electrum Aspron Trachy Nomisma (4.44 g), 1118-1143, 37mm. Constantinople, ca. 11181122. IC - XC, Christ seated facing on throne without back, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels. Reverse: $\mathrm{I} \omega / \Delta \mathrm{EC} / \Pi \mathrm{O} / \mathrm{TH}-\mathrm{E} / \omega \mathrm{P} / \Gamma \mathrm{I}$, John and St. Georgius standing facing, holding patriarchal cross on three steps between them. DOC 8b; SB 1942. Light obverse die shift. Graffiti. Good Very Fine.


291 Manuel I Comnenus. Electrum Aspron Trachy (4.30 g), 1143-1180, 32mm. Constantinople, ca. 1160-1164. IC - XC, Christ, nimbate, standing facing on dais, holding Gospels. Reverse: MANOVH $\Lambda$ - $\mathrm{O} / \Theta E / \mathrm{O} \Delta / \omega / \mathrm{PO} / \mathrm{C}$ (or similar), Manuel, on left, holdingsword, and St. Theodore, on right, holding sword, standing facing, holding between them patriarchal cross set on globe. DOC 4. SB 1959. Flan crack. Good Very Fine.


Manuel I Comnenus. Electrum Aspron Trachy ( 4.12 g ), 1143-1180, 32 mm . Constantinople, 1167-circa 1183. IC - XC, Christ Pantokrator enthroned facing, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels. Reverse: $\mathrm{MAN}(\mathrm{OV}) \mathrm{H} \Lambda \Delta \mathrm{EC} П \mathrm{OTH} / \mathrm{M}-\Theta \mathrm{V}$, Manuel standing facing, holding labarum and globus cruciger, and being crowned by the Virgin standing facing to right. DOC 6; SB 1961. Flan cracks. Choice Very Fine.


293 Theodore I Comnenus-Lascaris. Electrum Aspron Trachy (3.09 g), 1205/8-1221, 31mm. Magnesia, ca. 1208-1212. IC - XC, Christ, nimbate, seated facing on square-backed throne, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels. Reverse: $\Theta E O \Delta \omega$ POC $\Delta E C П O T ~ \Theta E O \Delta \omega P O C, ~ S t$. Theodore, nimbate and in military attire on the right, and Theodore I, bearded and on the left, standing facing, each holding sheathed sword and supporting between them staff surmounted by eight-pointed star with pellet-in-circle. DOC 2; SB 2064. Die shift on the obverse. Good Very Fine.

n ( 4.24 g ), 1261-1282, 24 mm . Constantinople. Michael VIII Palaeologus. Gold Hyperpyron (4.24 g), 1261-1282, 24 mm . Constantinople.
Half-length figure of the Virgin, orans, within city walls with six towers. Reverse: Michael kneeling slightly right, being presented by the Archangel Michael, standing behind, to Christ, seated facing to right, holding Gospels. SB 2243. Choice Very Fine.


Andronicus II. Gold Hyperpyron (4.13 g), 1282-1328, 25 mm . Constantinople, 1282-1294. Halflength figure of the Virgin, orans, within city walls with six towers. Reverse: Andronicus II bowing before Christ standing facing, holding Gospels and blessing the empero. SB 2326. Flan crack and graffito on the reverse edge. Choice Very Fine.


Andronicus II and Michael IX. Gold Hyperpyron ( 3.84 g), 1295-1320, 23mm. Constantinople. Half-length figure of the Virgin, orans, within city walls with four towers; across upper field, (MHP) - $\Theta$ V. Reverse: Christ standing facing, crowning Andronicus II and Michael IX kneeling to either side; across upper field, IC - XC. PCPC 158 var. SB 2396. Areas of flat strike. Very Fine.


Andronicus II and Michael IX. Gold Hyperpyron ( $\mathbf{3 . 9 3} \mathbf{g}$ ), $\mathbf{1 2 9 5 - 1 3 2 0 , 2 3 m m}$. Constantinople. Half-length figure of the Virgin, orans, within city walls with four towers; across upper field, (MHP) - ©V. Reverse: Christ standing facing, crowning Andronicus II and Michael IX kneeling to either side; across upper field, IC - XC. PCPC 186 var. SB 2396. Very Fine.

$\stackrel{2 \mathrm{x}}{\text { Andronicus II and Michael IX. Gold Hyperpyron }}$ (4.03 g), 1295-1320, 24 mm . Constantinople. Half-length figure of the Virgin, orans, within city walls with four towers. Reverse: Christ standing facing, crowning Andronicus II and Michael IX kneeling to either side. PCPC 32 var. SB 2396. Choice Very Fine.



[^0]:    Lysimachos' gold and silver coinage featuring the deified head of Alexander and Athena Nikephoros, which he introduced in $297 / 6 \mathrm{BC}$, had a lasting popularity, especially among the Thracian and Celtic peoples who supplied mercenary troops to many of the Hellenistic kingdoms and who demanded them from their paymasters even long after Lysimachos was dead. This particular posthumous-Lysimachos tetradrachm was struck by the important city of Byzantion, probably in support of the expansion of the Pontic empire of Mithradates VI Eupator (ca. 116-63 BC) in the Black Sea and perhaps even during his first confrontation with the Romans in the First Mithradatic War (89-85 BC).

[^1]:    The reign of Autophradates II is known only from his coins, which are especially notable for showing the breakdown of Seleukid authority in the eastern satrapies. After the death of Alexander the Great, his generals divided his empire amongst themselves, subsequently warring with one another for control of the various provinces and satrapies. Seleukos I came to control of the entire eastern portion of the realm, but his successors based their power in the west, in Syria and Mesopotamia, leaving the eastern regions under only nominal control.

    By the later third century the local governors of Persis had begun issuing their own coins, but were mindful to pay nominal respect to their Seleukid overlords by incorporating the title frataraka, i.e., local ruler-priests, in the design. Sometime during the first half of the third century however - perhaps after the Roman defeat of Antiochos III at Magnesia in 190 BC, or around the the time of Antiochos IV's failed anabasis to recoup the Iranian plateau 164 BC - Autophradates II dropped the pretense of subservience and began issuing coins which either wholly lacked the title of ruler-priest or employed the title of king. This drew no consequence from the Seleukids who were powerless to reassert their authority in the east, and continued throughout the duration that the rulers of Persis struck coinage.

