

THE MAY 2025 SHOWCASE AUCTION

U.S. COINS
May 6, 2025 • Costa Mesa, CA



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Front Cover: Lot 11373: 1851 Augustus Humbert \$50. Reeded Edge. K-5. Rarity-4. 880 THOUS., Target Reverse. MS-62 (NGC).

Back Cover: (top to bottom, left to right) Lot 11071: 1897-O Barber Quarter. MS-67 (NGC); Lot 11283: 1914-D Indian Half Eagle. MS-65 (PCGS); Lot 11291: 1884-CC Liberty Head Eagle. AU-58 (PCGS). CAC; Lot 11295: 1901-S Liberty Head Eagle. MS-67 (NGC); Lot 11368: 1921 Alabama Centennial. Plain. MS-67 (PCGS); Lot 11106: 1933-S Walking Liberty Half Dollar. MS-67 (NGC); Lot 11321: 1853-O Liberty Head Double Eagle. Winter-1. AU-50 (PCGS). CAC; Lot 11359: 1916-S Saint-Gaudens Double Eagle. MS-66 (PCGS). CAC; Lot 11352: MCMVII (1907) Saint-Gaudens Double Eagle. High Relief. Wire Rim. MS-64 (PCGS); Lot 11218: 1896-S Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-65+ (PCGS).

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April 23-25, 2025: 10:00 AM–6: 00 PM CT & April 26, 2025: 9:30 AM–1:00 PM CT (*no appointment needed*)

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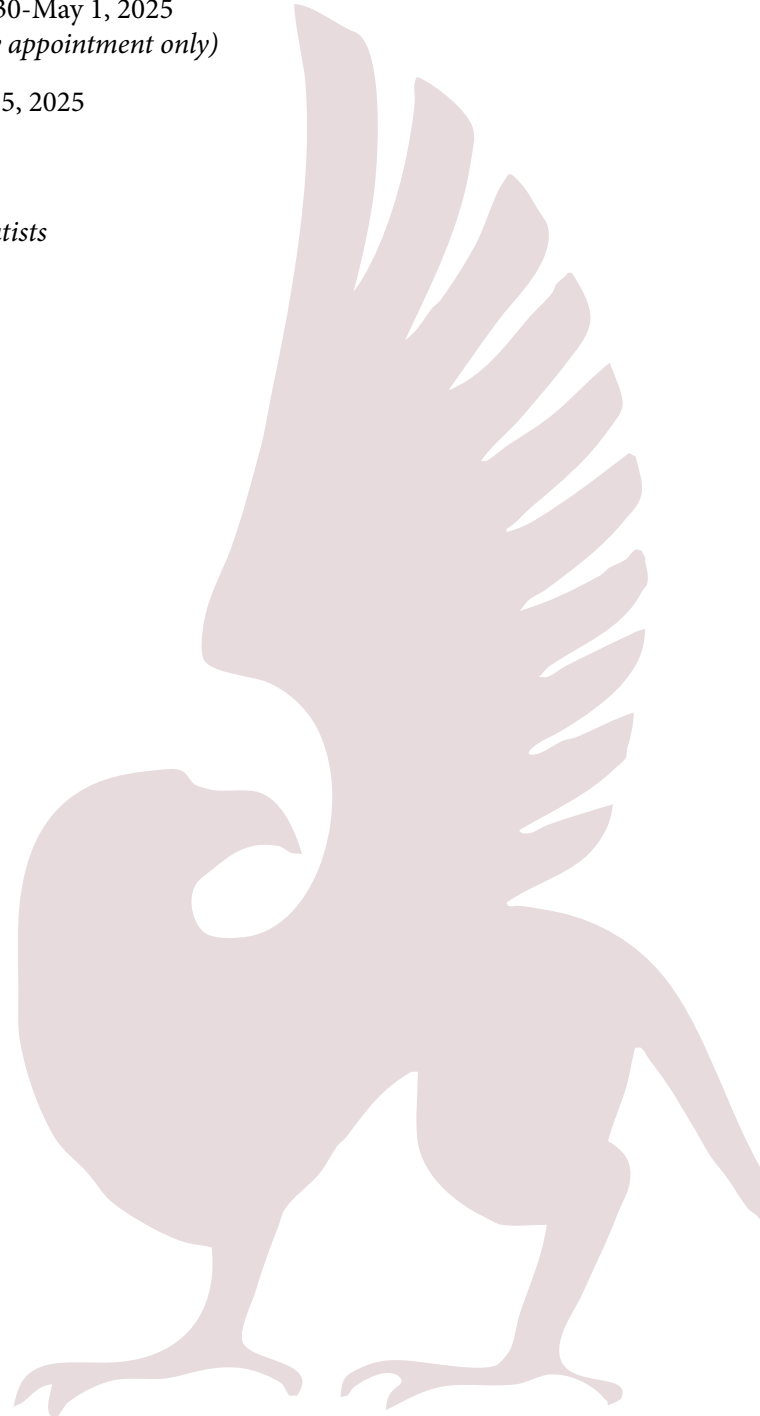
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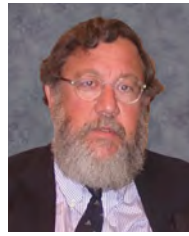
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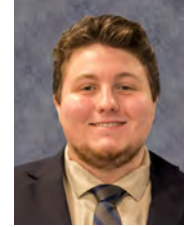
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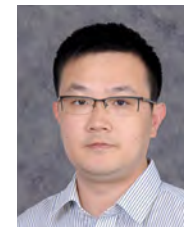
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Welcome to the May 2025 Showcase Auction

Dear Friends,

With the strength of the current coin market, we decided to offer an additional Showcase Auction to provide you with another opportunity to add great coins to your collections without the wait until our traditional June Whitman Expo Auction. In these pages you will find nearly 375 United States federal coins, half cents to commemoratives.

The star of the auction is lot 11373, a fabulous Mint State 1851 Humbert \$50, a coin that will be sure to generate a gold rush of bidding activity when it crosses the block. Other important gold coins include:

- Lot 11281: A popular 1909-O \$5 in Mint Sate grade.
- Lot 11291: A choice AU-58 example of the conditionally rare 1884-CC eagle, approved by CAC.
- Lot 11348: A near Gem 1907 High Relief double eagle.
- Lot 11359: A beautiful CAC-approved MS-66 1916-S double eagle.

And it is not just the gold coins that will create a buzz, as a number of great type coins and silver dollars are sure to attract attention and strong bidding as well.

Lot 11020: A Superb Red-Brown 1916 Matte Proof Lincoln cent.

Lot 11035: One of the finest graded 1913 Type II Buffalo nickels.

Lot 11082: A Condition Census 1811 O-106 half dollar, graded MS-65 by NGC.

Lot 11106: A superb MS-67 1933-S Walking Liberty half dollar

Lot 11218: A seldom offered Gem 1896-S Morgan dollar, graded MS-65+ by PCGS.

On behalf of the entire Stack's Bowers Galleries team, I want to welcome you to our May Showcase Auction. Be sure to check out the entire sale and if you can, take advantage of lot viewing in our Costa Mesa headquarters, our flagship New York City Gallery, or at the Central States Numismatic Society Convention April 23-26 in Schaumburg, Illinois.

Wishing you the best of luck and happy hunting.
Sincerely,



Brian Kendrella
President, Stack's Bowers Galleries

Order of Sale

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U.S. Coins

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Lots 11001-11374

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Lot 11349

TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2025, 9:00 AM PT

LOTS 11001-11374

HALF CENTS



11001

1793 Head Left. C-3. Rarity-3. VF Details—Environmental Damage (PCGS). Dark charcoal and copper-brown surfaces are also lightly pitted to further explain the PCGS qualifier. There are a couple of ancient scratches in the left obverse field, but no other sizeable marks are seen. Universally bold VF detail throughout, this is a suitable circulated type candidate for the budget minded collector. The Head Left Liberty Cap half cent was produced solely in 1793.

PCGS# 1000. NGC ID: 2222.



11002

1794 C-9. Rarity-2. High-Relief Head. VF Details—Environmental Damage (PCGS). A more affordable type candidate from this challenging early U.S. Mint half cent series, the 1794 being particular popular as the first of the Liberty Cap issues with the head facing right. This one features universally dark, granular surfaces to explain the PCGS qualifier, which is offset by bold to sharp definition throughout the design. Affordable for the collector on a budget. Manley Die State 3.0.

PCGS# 1003. NGC ID: 2223.

LARGE CENTS



11003

1834 N-4. Rarity-2. Large 8, Small Stars, Medium Letters. MS-64 BN (PCGS). CAC. Lovely steel-brown surfaces with abundant traces of original mint red color hiding in the recess of the design elements on each side. An area of mint-caused die rust is noted at the upper left portion of the reverse side. Satiny surfaces, a well centered strike and sharp central definition further enhance the appeal of this pleasing near-Gem Matron Head cent.

PCGS# 1699. NGC ID: 225R. GREYSHEET ID: 998.

From our sale of the Senator Platt Family Collection, started prior to 1870, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 4389.



11004

1852 N-1, 2. Rarity-1. MS-65 BN (PCGS). CAC. Lustrous and satiny with hard, tight surfaces and richly original rose-brown patina. Central striking detail is especially sharp to further enhance the desirability of this handsome Gem Mint State large cent. Grellman Die State c.

PCGS# 1898. NGC ID: 226J.

From our sale of the Knohl Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 8386.

SMALL CENTS



11005

1859 MS-65 (NGC). Delicate pinkish-apricot highlights enliven otherwise medium tan surfaces on both sides of this handsome Gem. The strike is sharp, and the surfaces are lustrous and smooth throughout. James Barton Longacre's Indian cent made its debut in 1859. The obverse portrait is not of a Native American but is a representation of Liberty wearing a feathered headdress. The reverse exhibits a simple olive wreath without a shield at its top, a design that was abandoned in 1860 in favor of the Oak Wreath with Shield design. The 1859 Indian cent, therefore, is a one year design type that is eagerly sought by collectors. Many 1859 Indian cents have survived in Mint State, but most are poorly defined due to the Mint's widespread use of worn dies in production of this issue. Well produced and expertly preserved, here is a pleasing and noteworthy condition scarcity.

PCGS# 2052. NGC ID: 227E.



11006

1872 Proof-66 RB (PCGS). Far more Red than Brown, this predominantly rose-red specimen exhibits minimal iridescent olive-brown toning. With a full strike and silky smooth surfaces, this is a premium quality Gem worthy of the strongest bids. From a mintage of approximately 950 Proofs, high grade survivors such as this are rare in their own right and enjoying heightened demand in today's market given the scarcity of the circulation strike 1872 cent in Gem Mint State.

PCGS# 2304. NGC ID: 229R.

PCGS Population: 19; 3 finer in this category (all Proof-67+ RB).



11007

1887 Proof-66 BN (PCGS). Splendid surfaces exhibit vivid undertones of cobalt blue and salmon-pink to dominant copper-rose patina. The quality is decidedly in the Gem category, the eye appeal superior even at the Proof-66 BN grade level.

PCGS# 2348. NGC ID: 22A9.



11008

1888 Proof-65 RB (PCGS). CAC. Wisps of olive and rose-brown iridescence visit otherwise mint orange surfaces on this conservatively graded Red and Brown specimen. Carefully preserved and supremely attractive.

PCGS# 2352. NGC ID: 22AA.

PCGS Population: 56; 6 finer in this category (Proof-66+ RB finest).

CAC Stickered Population: 11; 3.

From our sale of the Knohl Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 8520.



11009

1897 Proof-66 RB (PCGS). CAC. Really a lovely piece, both sides are awash in deep, rich, rose-brown color. The fields are semi-reflective and support fully impressed, frosty motifs. Worthy of a nice premium.

PCGS# 2379. NGC ID: 22AK.

PCGS Population: 26; 4 finer in this category (Proof-68 RB finest).

CAC Stickered Population: 7; 3.



11012

1909-S Lincoln. V.D.B. MS-64 RB (PCGS). CAC. Lovely medium rose-brown surfaces with a nice blend of original mint color and handsome toning. A sharp strike and well preserved, fully Choice surfaces further enhance the desirability of this Mint State 1909-S V.D.B. cent.

PCGS# 2427. NGC ID: 22B2.



11010

1909-S Indian. AU-58 (ANACS). OH. Warm golden-brown patina on sharply struck, minimally worn surfaces. This key date entry from the final year of the Indian series is also the second San Francisco Mint cent in U.S. coinage history. Extremely popular with collectors in all grades.

PCGS# 2238. NGC ID: 2298.



11013

1909-S Lincoln. V.D.B. MS-64 RB (PCGS). CAC. Blended golden-brown and rose-orange colors provide a very modest woodgrain appearance to the surfaces. This is a pleasingly original, well composed Choice Mint State example of the perennially popular '09-S V.D.B. cent.

PCGS# 2427. NGC ID: 22B2.



11011

1909-S Lincoln. V.D.B. MS-64 RB (PCGS). CAC. Handsome, fully original Choice Uncirculated preservation for this perennially popular, key date issue from the first year of Lincoln cent coinage. Blended rose-orange mint color and olive-brown patina deliver strong eye appeal.

PCGS# 2427. NGC ID: 22B2.



11014

1909-S Lincoln. MS-66+ RD (PCGS). CAC. Otherwise dominant reddish-orange mint color yields to a lighter rose hue in the center of the obverse. Lustrous and satiny throughout with a fully executed strike and delightful appearance overall. They don't come much better for this key date Lincoln cent issue.

PCGS# 2434. NGC ID: 22B4.

PCGS Population: 44; 13 finer in this category (MS-67+ RD finest).



11015

1909-S/S Lincoln. FS-1502. Repunched Mintmark, S/Horizontal S. MS-66+ RD (PCGS). CAC. Beautiful light rose surfaces are fully frosted in finish with razor sharp striking detail and virtually pristine surfaces. One of the most popular varieties in this widely collected small cent series, the 1909-S FS-1502 is a repunched mintmark variety on which the first S was entered into the die at 90 degrees from normal with the second S entered properly. Many examples have been discovered by numismatists over the years, and Mint State coins are relatively obtainable in today's market. Most collectors, however, will have to settle for a lower grade example because the 1909-S/Horizontal S is typically offered no finer than MS-65 RD. Near the top of the Condition Census for the variety, the upper end Gem offered here is sure to have no difficulty finding its way into an advanced Lincoln cent collection.

PCGS# 92434. NGC ID: 22B4.

PCGS Population: 36; 7 finer in this category (all MS-67 RD).



11016

1909-S Lincoln. MS-66+ RD (NGC). Billowy mint frost mingles with strong pinkish-orange mint color on both sides of this gorgeous, upper end Gem example. Simply outstanding quality and eye appeal for this key date issue from the first year of San Francisco Mint coinage for the Lincoln cent.

PCGS# 2434. NGC ID: 22B4.

NGC Census: 9; 9 finer in this category (MS-67+ RD finest).



11017

1912 Proof-65 BN (NGC). Bold olive-copper patina blends with deep rose color. A fully struck and satiny Proof for the advanced Lincoln cent enthusiast.

PCGS# 3312. NGC ID: 22KV.

NGC Census: 39; 22 finer in this category (Proof-67 BN finest).



11018

1912-D MS-65+ RD (PCGS). CAC. Beautiful rose-red surfaces are softly frosted in finish and display overall sharp striking detail. As smooth as would be expected at the assigned grade, this is an impressive premium Gem example of the semi-key date 1912-D cent, an issue with a mintage of 10,411,000 pieces.

PCGS# 2455. NGC ID: 22BB.



11019

1914 Proof-66 RB (PCGS). CAC. Nearly in the full Red category, this premium quality specimen exhibits minimal iridescent pinkish-rose to otherwise dominant deep orange mint color. Fully struck with a serene satin texture, astute collectors would be wise to enter the strongest bids for this offering.

PCGS# 3319. NGC ID: 22KX.

PCGS Population: 49; 18 finer in this category (Proof-67+ RB finest).

CAC Stickered Population: 26; 7.

Superb Matte Proof 1916 Lincoln Cent



11020

1916 Proof-67 RB (NGC). Light olive-brown patina blends with dominant deep orange color on this handsome specimen. Fully struck with robust mint finish, the fine-grain texture for which this issue is known is readily appreciable with magnification. Definitely superior quality for this challenging issue.

The final generally accepted Proof issue from the early Lincoln Cent series, the 1916 is also among the rarest. A mere 1,050 pieces were produced, although it seems likely that no more than 600 examples were actually distributed to contemporary

collectors. The unsold coins were melted, and even many of those pieces that did sell in 1916 were later lost due to circulation or other mishandling. This example is among the finest certified survivors, ranking near the very top of the PCGS and NGC population reports.

PCGS# 3325, NGC ID: 22KZ.

NGC Census: 3; with a single Proof-67+ RB finer in this category. The corresponding PCGS Population is similar at 5/1 (Proof-67+ RB also finest).



11021

1925-S MS-65 BN (NGC). Coined from worn dies, typical of the issue, yet despite the overall softness both sides allow full appreciation of the design. This is a challenging issue to locate in attractive Mint State, as here, since hoarding by collectors in the 1940s and 1950s targeted examples that had entered circulation decades earlier.

PCGS# 2564, NGC ID: 22CH.



11022

1925-S MS-64 RD (PCGS). Above average quality for this conditionally challenging issue, this premium near-Gem offers uncommon full mint color in warm medium rose-olive. A bit lightly struck overall, typical of the issue and a result of the Mint's use of worn dies, although no significant blemishes are present to limit the eye appeal. Sure to catch the eye of astute Lincoln cent enthusiasts.

PCGS# 2566, NGC ID: 22CH.

From Heritage's sale of the Davis Conway Collection, September 2008 Long Beach Signature Auction, lot 416; Heritage's sale of the Connelly Collection, September 2010 Long Beach Signature Auction, lot 3350.

Rare Full Red Gem 1927-S Cent



11023

1927-S MS-65 RD (NGC). OH. This important condition rarity retains full mint color in dominant, vivid rose-red. Blushes of pinkish-apricot iridescence are also evident, most notably at the upper left obverse and lower reverse borders. There is evidence of die fatigue on both sides, not uncommon for a mintmarked cent issue from the 1920s, but overall detail is suitably bold. Pleasingly smooth in hand with superior eye appeal.

Although recognized as a semi-key date issue as early as the 1940s, by the time the inevitable hoarding of 1927-S cents

occurred the vast majority of examples set aside by numismatists were in low grades through Fine. In VF, EF and AU this issue remains scarce by the standards of the type, while in Mint State the 1927-S is very scarce to rare depending on quality. A distinct cut above the typical lackluster Uncirculated example, and rare thus, this impressive Gem approaches Condition Census. It is destined for inclusion in an advanced Lincoln cent collection.

PCGS# 2584. NGC ID: 22CP.

NGC Census: 7; 0 finer in this category.



11024

1955 FS-101. Doubled Die Obverse. MS-62 BN (PCGS). Rich chocolate-brown patina engages hard, frosty surfaces. Sharply struck with minimal blemishes for the assigned grade, this is a handsome Mint State example of a perennially popular Lincoln cent variety.

PCGS# 2825. NGC ID: 22FG.



11025

1955 FS-101. Doubled Die Obverse. AU-55 (PCGS). Deep, rich tobacco-brown patina on smooth, hard, frosty surfaces. A few swirls of light carbon require magnification to discern. Popular DDO variety!

PCGS# 2825. NGC ID: 22FG.

TWO-CENT PIECES



11026

1865 Plain 5. MS-66+ RD (PCGS). CAC. Wisps of pinkish-red iridescence further enliven already outstanding rose-orange mint color. This is a beautiful coin - fully struck, intensely lustrous and expertly preserved. After only the first year 1864 Large Motto, the 1865 is the most plentiful issue in the circulation strike two-cent series. Mint State examples abound in the BN and RB categories, less so in the RD category, although this issue is still obtainable with relative ease in grades through MS-65 RD. Any finer and the 1865 emerges as a significant condition rarity. Near the top of the *PCGS Population Report* for the issue, this pristine-looking beauty is eagerly awaiting inclusion in a world class type set or two-cent piece collection.

PCGS# 38249. NGC ID: 22NA.

PCGS Population: 5; with a single MS-67 RD finer.

CAC Stickered Population: 5; 0. The former total includes coins certified both MS-66 RD and MS-66+ RD.



11027

1865 Plain 5. MS-66+ RD (NGC). A remarkable second offering for this popular two-cent piece type issue in the finest Mint State grades. Precious few survivors from a mintage of 13,640,000 pieces offer the quality and eye appeal that are on display here. Lustrous and softly frosted in texture, the surfaces are further enhanced by lovely mint color in vivid pinkish-rose. With a full strike and expert preservation, even the most discerning collectors will find much to be impressed with here.

PCGS# 3584. NGC ID: 22NA.

NGC Census: 5; 2 finer (both MS-67 RD).



11028

1872 Proof-66 RB (PCGS). Light pinkish-rose mint color with minimal toning in iridescent golden-brown. The fields are modestly semi-reflective and support fully impressed, delicately frosted motifs. Given that the circulation strike 1872 two-cent piece is a key date issue with just 65,000 coins struck, this beautiful and conditionally scarce Proof should have no difficulty finding its way into a high grade date set or advanced type collection.

PCGS# 3649. NGC ID: 2752. GREYSHEET ID: 2754.

SILVER THREE-CENT PIECE



11029

1851 MS-66 (PCGS). CAC. Authorized by the Act of March 3, 1851, the silver three-cent piece was initially produced in an alloy of 75% silver, 25% copper. The reduced silver composition of these coins made them an instant success in commercial channels, where replacements were eagerly sought for old tenor half dimes, dimes, quarters and half dollars struck in standard silver (90% silver, 10% copper) that were being withdrawn from circulation due to rising silver prices. While the usefulness of this denomination would wane with the onset of the Civil War, with corresponding reductions in the number of circulation strikes produced, the Philadelphia Mint achieved large mintages for the silver three-cent piece in most years from 1851 through 1858. The first year 1851 has a mintage of 5,447,400 pieces, and it is among the more plentiful Type I trimes in terms of total number of coins extant. On the other hand, not many survivors are as well preserved and aesthetically pleasing as the present example. A minimally toned, softly frosted Gem that represents a significant find for the high quality type collector.

PCGS# 3664. NGC ID: 22YX.

From our sale of the Knohl Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 4486.

NICKEL FIVE-CENT PIECES

Glorious Superb Proof 1866 Shield Nickel Two-Year With Rays Design Type



11030

1866 Rays. JD-1. Rarity-3-. Proof-67 Cameo (NGC). This dazzling Superb Gem Proof is delicately toned in iridescent gold that yields to virtual brilliance as the surfaces dip into a light. The fields are exquisitely preserved and fully mirrored, and they nicely contrast the frosty motifs. Obviously minted with special care, as Proofs usually (not but always!) are, all of the design elements are fully defined.

Although a few patterns from the regular issue design were struck in 1865, the 1866 With Rays nickel represents the first year of issue for the denomination, with examples available in both Proof and circulation strike formats. Curiously, at the time of introduction Mint Director James Pollock believed that

the nickel five-cent piece would be a short-lived denomination needed only to exchange the hated fractional currency notes (a.k.a. "shinplasters") that had become prevalent during the Civil War. As we know, of course, the nickel five-cent piece continues in production while the half dime was discontinued in 1873. Of the 600 or so Proofs struck in 1866, at least 450 are extant, providing a suitable population to meet less discerning numismatic demand. In the very finest grades, and especially with a Cameo designation from PCGS or NGC, the Proof 1866 is a major condition rarity worthy of inclusion in the finest cabinet.

PCGS# 83817. NGC ID: 276G.

NGC Census: 15; 0 finer in this category. The corresponding PCGS Population is 5/0.

Noteworthy Circulation Strike 1880 Shield Nickel

Rare Low Mintage Issue



11031

1880 EF-45 (PCGS). CAC. Well balanced with plenty of sharp definition, both sides are also pleasingly toned in light olive-gray. The 1880 is the undisputed key date issue in the circulation strike Shield nickel series with only 16,000 pieces produced, a total so small that some readers might question why the Mint bothered to strike any at all. There was clearly no need for new nickel five-cent pieces in commerce that year, and there was already a precedent for Proof-only issues produced under similar circumstances in 1877 and 1878. It was precisely to avoid creating additional Proof-only rarities, however, that Mint Director Archibald Loudon Snowden ordered a small delivery of circulation strike nickels in 1880. This practice explains the similarly low mintage circulation strike dimes, quarters and half dollars of 1880, none of which were required to meet the actual needs of commerce. According to R.W. Julian (as quoted in Q. David Bowers' *A Guide Book of Shield and Liberty Head Nickels*, 2006):

Snowden specifically asked the Mint Bureau and Treasury for permission to strike limited runs of nickels and three-cent pieces [in 1880] so that collectors of small means, and those needing coins for presents, could obtain them. Applicants were limited to two pieces each, however.

Fortunately for today's collectors of more modest means, enough 1880 Proofs (mintage 3,955 pieces) have survived that high grade nickels of this date are obtainable with ease. For the advanced numismatist specializing in the Shield nickel series, however, a circulation strike 1880 will need to be acquired for their collection to be truly complete. As one of the few circulated survivors to meet with strict CAC approval, this desirable Choice EF example will see spirited bidding at auction.

PCGS# 3810. NGC ID: 276E.

CAC Stickered Population: 28 in all grades.



11032

1885 JD-1. Rarity-1. Proof-65 (NGC). Given that the 1885 is the rarest circulation strike in the Liberty Head nickel series, this scarce Gem survivor from the year's Proof issue offers an exciting alternative for the high quality date collector. It is lightly toned in champagne-pink iridescence over sharply impressed, brightly reflective surfaces.

PCGS# 3883. NGC ID: 277T.



11033

1897 JD-1. Rarity-1+. Proof-67 Cameo (PCGS). CAC. Wisps of iridescent gold toning drift over both sides of this gorgeous Superb Gem. Fully struck with observable field to device contrast, to see this coin is to admire it for both its technical quality and eye appeal. A scarcer Proof Liberty Head nickel with a limited mintage of 1,938 pieces, the 1897 is particularly elusive in the finest certified grades, as here.

PCGS# 83895. NGC ID: 2787.

CAC Stickered Population: 17; 3.



11034

1910 JD-1. Rarity-1. Proof-67+ Cameo (PCGS). CAC. The Philadelphia Mint produced 2,405 Proof nickels in 1910 for sale to contemporary collectors. Survivors are readily obtainable in an absolute sense, although they are somewhat scarce when viewed in the stricter context of the Liberty Head series. Although Q. David Bowers (*A Guide Book of Shield and Liberty Head Nickels*, 2006) notes that examples are “usually very beautiful,” the present Superb Gem is far superior to the typically offered specimen in today’s market. Lightly streaked champagne-apricot iridescence speaks to the originality of surfaces that are virtually pristine. The mint finish is intense, the eye appeal outstanding. There is certainly much to recommend this coin to advanced type and date collectors.

PCGS# 83908. NGC ID: 278L.

PCGS Population: 11; 5 finer in this category (all Proof-68 Cameo).

CAC Stickered Population: 18; 3. The former total includes coins certified both Proof-67 Cameo and Proof-67+ Cameo.

Stunning 1913 Type II Nickel



11035

1913 Type II. MS-67+ (PCGS). CAC. An enchanting Superb Gem with outstanding eye appeal to match superior surface preservation. Vividly toned throughout, reddish-apricot iridescence at the borders blends with lemon-gold and powder blue toward the centers. Boldly struck and generally crisp, a full quota of smooth satin luster rounds out an impressive list of physical attributes.

The Philadelphia Mint began striking examples of the new design for the Buffalo nickel on May 10, 1913. In addition to

placing the denomination FIVE CENTS within an exergue below the straight ground upon which the bison now stands, the Type II design features smoothed fields that no longer display the textured finish of the Type I. The 1913 Type II is readily obtainable in most grades, but in Superb Gem Mint State it emerges as a noteworthy condition rarity.

PCGS# 3921. NGC ID: 22PZ.

PCGS Population: 14; 0 finer.

CAC Stickered Population: 20; 0. The former total includes coins certified both MS-67 and MS-67+.



11036

1928-D MS-66 (PCGS). Direct lighting is required to truly appreciate this coin's toning, which consists of a target-like distribution of reddish-gold, lilac-blue and salmon-pink colors. Satiny in texture with sharp detail in most areas, this is an impressive condition rarity from a mintage of 6,436,000 pieces, with outstanding eye appeal to boot.

PCGS# 3964. NGC ID: 22SC.

PCGS Population: 72; 10 finer (MS-67 finest).



11037

1935-S MS-67 (NGC). Uncommonly smooth and well composed for this late date Buffalo nickel issue, this 1935-S also offers bold to sharp striking detail and softly frosted luster. Dusted with light silvery patina - an attractive Superb Gem fit for inclusion in a high grade type or date set.

PCGS# 3976. NGC ID: 22SR.



11038

1936 Satin. Proof-67 (PCGS). Gorgeous surfaces are toned in dominant orange-apricot iridescence that yields to a swirl of ice-blue north of center on the obverse. Every fine feature of the Native American's portrait and the bison are fully rendered and crisp on this expertly produced specimen. Equally well preserved and virtually pristine, in fact, this is a top-flight example in all regards. The 1936 is the first Proof Buffalo nickel produced since 1916. Rarer than the only other Proof Buffalo nickel of its era - the 1937 - the 1936 has a mintage of 4,420 pieces. Nearly two-thirds of the coins struck were made with a satin finish, as here, though the number of Brilliant and Satin Proofs known for the date are about equal in today's numismatic marketplace. Both variants are noteworthy condition rarities in the finest certified grades, making this a significant offering for the quality conscious collector.

PCGS# 3994. NGC ID: 278X.

From our June 2024 Auction, lot 1179.



11039

1936 MS-67+ (NGC). CAC. Snappy brilliant surfaces with a sharp strike and smooth mint frost. This is a lovely Superb Gem, and a strong candidate for inclusion in a high quality type set or Buffalo nickel collection.

PCGS# 3977. NGC ID: 22SS.

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11040

1937-D FS-901. 3-Legged. MS-63 (PCGS). A thoroughly appealing example that is far superior to the typically offered Mint State 3-Legged nickel in today's market. Impressively smooth in hand with a soft satin texture, the silver-gray surfaces are enhanced by pale golden highlights. Remarkably sharp striking detail is most notable on the reverse at the bison's head, shoulder and tail. A perennially popular Buffalo nickel variety in superior Choice Uncirculated preservation that is sure to result in keen bidder interest.

PCGS# 3982. NGC ID: 22SX.



11041

1937-D FS-901. 3-Legged. AU-55 (PCGS). Generally untuned in appearance, the otherwise silver-gray surfaces do reveal faint champagne-pink and gold iridescence to the persistent viewer, especially on the reverse. Overall detail is pleasingly bold in a lightly circulated 3-Legged nickel, and the surfaces are appreciably lustrous with no troublesome blemishes. A wholesome AU example for this perennially popular variety.

PCGS# 3982. NGC ID: 22SX.



11042

1937-D FS-901. 3-Legged. AU Details—Cleaned (PCGS). Sharply struck on the obverse, with emerging to bold detail throughout the reverse, this silver-gray example offers more affordable, yet still relatively pleasing AU preservation for the popular 3-Legged nickel.

PCGS# 3982. NGC ID: 22SX.

HALF DIMES



11043

1852-O V-1. MS-65 (PCGS). This appealing New Orleans Mint half dime is from an era in which most silver coins were melted. The satiny surfaces are smooth, lustrous, and richly toned in dominant olive-gray patina. Iridescent highlights of reddish-gold and powder blue are also very much in evidence, further enhancing the eye appeal. The effects of the California Gold Rush on silver coinage finally caught up with the New Orleans Mint half dime series in 1852 for, while the Southern facility achieved a respectable mintage of 860,000 coins for this denomination in 1851, the mintage of the 1852-O plummeted to just 260,000 pieces. Many of these coins were melted as their bullion content exceeded face value, resulting in a paucity of survivors at all grade levels. In Mint State this issue is a formidable rarity, especially in grades of MS-64 and finer, as here. A find for advanced half dime specialists, and sure to see spirited bidding at auction.

PCGS# 4350. NGC ID: 233L.

PCGS Population: 4; with a single MS-66+ finer.



11044

1863 V-1. Repunched Date. MS-63 (PCGS). An engaging piece, frosty to semi-reflective luster shines forth nicely through an overlay of slightly streaky pinkish-apricot iridescence. A blush or two of cobalt blue at the borders further enhances the appeal of this boldly defined example. The disappearance of silver coinage from circulation in the Eastern and Midwestern states was one of the most significant economic effects of the outbreak of civil war in 1861. By 1863 the Philadelphia Mint was striking only limited quantities of silver coins; the half dime saw only 18,000 circulation strikes produced. None of those coins were placed into circulation at the time, and only banks, merchants and others who were willing to pay a premium in Legal Tender notes could obtain examples from the Mint. This popular issue is always in demand with Liberty Seated enthusiasts, and Uncirculated survivors are scarce when viewed in the wider context of U.S. numismatics.

The Mint used the same die pairing the strike both Proof and circulation strike half dimes in 1863, a not uncommon occurrence during eras of limited production in the latter format. The obverse die of this issue is readily identifiable by repunching to the digits 18 in the date.

PCGS# 4382. NGC ID: 234C.

DIMES



11045

1859 Fortin-101. Rarity-4. Proof-65 (PCGS). This moderately toned example is sharply struck with appreciable reflectivity to the fields. The 1859 is an early Proof Liberty Seated dime with a reported mintage of 800 pieces. Given that numismatics was in its infancy in the United States of the late 1850s, it should come as no surprise to read that several hundred examples were placed into circulation when they failed to sell to contemporary collectors. Among the survivors Proof-64 is usually the highest grade offered, Gems, such as this, are scarce and always in demand among quality-conscious numismatists.

PCGS# 4748. NGC ID: 23CD.

PCGS Population: 35, 22 finer in this category (Proof-67 finest).

From our sale of the Knohl Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 4686.



11046

1859-O Fortin-103. Rarity-3. Medium O. MS-65+ (PCGS). A beautiful and colorful Gem. Visually captivating iridescence blooms on each side, with gold and tangerine hues glowing at the centers while the borders are cooled by turquoise and lime shades. Well struck and frosty, lacking any notable evidence of handling. Although ranking among the easier New Orleans Mint Liberty Seated dimes to locate in lower grades, the 1859-O is scarce to rare above the VF level. As a premium quality Gem the lovely coin here offered here is decidedly in the latter category and is worthy of the strongest bids.

PCGS# 4620. NGC ID: 2395.

PCGS Population: 2; 19 finer (MS-67 finest).

From our August 2019 ANA Sale, lot 1233; our sale of the Knohl Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 4687.



11047

1863 Fortin-101. Rarity-4. Proof-65 (NGC). Just 460 Proof dimes were struck during this Civil War year, and with the circulation strike 1863 also a low mintage affair at 14,000 pieces produced, high quality survivors of the former delivery are always in demand. This is a lovely Gem Proof with virtually brilliant surfaces and fully rendered motifs.

PCGS# 4756. NGC ID: 23BS. GREYSHEET ID: 4056.



11048

1863 Fortin-101. Rarity-4. Proof-64 (PCGS). A lovely specimen, both sides are dressed in vivid turquoise-blue and pinkish-orchid with nearly brilliant centers. A sharp strike and nicely mirrored fields compliment both sides. Just 460 Proofs were coined in this low mintage year.

PCGS# 4756. NGC ID: 23BS.

From "Quality Sales" Corp.'s (Abner Kreisberg) sale of September 1973, lot 739; our sale of the Walden Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 4690.



11049

1864 Fortin-101. Rarity-4. Proof-64 (NGC). CAC. CMQ. OH. Richly toned surfaces exhibit blended highlights of steel-blue and deep rose to dominant charcoal-olive patina. More vivid undertones and appreciable reflectivity shine forth nicely as the coin dips into a light and further enhance already strong eye appeal. Early date Proof Liberty Seated dimes of the Legend Obverse design type simply do not come any nicer than this at the Choice level of preservation. Worthy of strong bids.

PCGS# 4757. NGC ID: 23CM.

From our sale of the Springfield Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 4692.



11050

1875-CC Mintmark Above Bow. Fortin-112c. Rarity-6+. MS-64 (PCGS). This is a rare die state of the Fortin-112 die pairing for the 1875-CC Mintmark Above Bow dime, which Gerry Fortin (seateddimevarieties.com) suggests is worth a premium of 200-300%. The obverse die state is readily identifiable by a bold die defect on Liberty's midsection. The reverse die is flawed left of the ribbon bow, there are extensive peripheral cracks and, while Fortin writes of a partial cud break at 3 o'clock in the latest state of his 112c attribution, that feature had not yet formed when the present example was struck. The advanced die state also explains the somewhat soft strike overall, as well as evidence for die erosion which is more prominent on the reverse. Lightly toned in sandy-gray, wisps of powder blue are also present to treat the viewer aided by direct lighting. A specialist's coin that will garner much attention from Liberty Seated variety enthusiasts.

PCGS# 4673. NGC ID: 23AE.



11051

1876 Type I Reverse. Fortin-101. Rarity-4. Proof-65 (NGC). Icy mirrored fields and frosty devices contrast nicely with each other on this minimally toned Gem centennial year Proof dime.

PCGS# 4773. NGC ID: 23CZ.

From our sale of the Springfield Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 4699.



11052

1878-CC Type I Reverse. Fortin-101. Rarity-4. Doubled Die Reverse. MS-64 (PCGS). CAC. Exceptional quality for this challenging CC-Mint silver issue. Smooth and inviting, the surfaces reveal full satin to semi-reflective luster beneath an overlay of rich antique gold, olive-gray, deep rose and steel-blue. Sharp striking detail rounds out an impressive list of physical attributes for this premium near-Gem. The 1878-CC is the final Carson City Mint dime, the mintage limited to just 200,000 pieces. Writing at the seateddimevarieties.com website, Gerry Fortin states that this is, "A date that is scarce in circulated grades. It is rare in Mint State." In his outstanding reference *The Confident Carson City Coin Collector* (2020), Rusty Goe accounts for only 50 to 60 Mint State survivors. With CAC approval this one is a contender for Condition Census and is sure to elicit strong bids from advanced Carson City Mint or Liberty Seated coinage enthusiasts.

PCGS# 4686. NGC ID: 23AR.

PCGS Population: 12; 19 finer (MS-68 finest).

CAC Stickered Population: 4; 4.

From Legend Rare Coin Auctions' Regency Auction 41, October 2020, lot 134; our sale of the Srotag Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 4701.



11053

1879 Fortin-104a. Rarity-4. Repunched Date. MS-67 (PCGS). CAC. This example is ringed in halos of deep gunmetal-blue and golden-brown that are more extensive on the obverse. The centers on both sides are brilliant silver-white, and mint frost is evident throughout. Here is an exceptionally well preserved Superb Gem with great eye appeal.

Enough dimes were in circulation by the end of the 1870s that there was little need to strike new coins, allowing more focus to be given to the mass production of Morgan silver dollars required by the Bland-Allison Act. In 1879, only the Philadelphia Mint produced dimes and even then it was just 14,000 circulation strikes. Amazingly, Gerry Fortin identified a total of five distinct die marriages, four of which were originally used for the generous Proof output of 1,100 coins (an unusual number considering the small size of the circulation strike mintage that year). Since numismatics in the United States had increased markedly in popularity by 1879, the perceived rarity of this issue (due to the small mintage) was recognized at the time and more than a few were set aside by dealers and collectors, resulting in a significant number of Choice and Gem Mint State surviving. Long recognized as a semi-key date issue, the 1879 remains one of the more popular of the later date Liberty Seated dimes. Superb Gem specimens are quite elusive and are often tightly held in the cabinets of advanced specialists, highlighting the importance of this offering.

PCGS# 4687. NGC ID: 23AS.

PCGS Population: 31; 17 finer (MS-68+ finest).



11054

1879 Fortin-104a. Rarity-4. Repunched Date. MS-66+ (PCGS). A premium Gem specimen dressed in vivid sea-green, lilac, and sunset-gold in a target-like fashion on each side. The centers remain a soft pearl-gray. Popular low mintage issue, and further enhanced by the Fortin-104a attribution that corresponds to bold repunching to the digits 18 in the date.

PCGS# 4687. NGC ID: 23AS.

From our sale of the Knohl Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 4704.



11055

1880 Fortin-101. Rarity-3. Proof-64+ Cameo (PCGS). CAC. A sparkling cameoed near-Gem Liberty Seated dime that has shimmering, deeply reflective fields and ice-white mint frost on the devices, thus giving the coin the white-on-black contrast that is so desirable. A virtually defect-free specimen with no obvious impairments or mentionable hairlines on either side. Conservatively graded.

PCGS# 84777. NGC ID: 23D5.

From our sale of the Walden Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 4706.



11056

1880 Fortin-102a. Rarity-4. MS-66 (PCGS). CAC. This exquisite piece is brilliant save for a blush or two of pale champagne-rose iridescence near the borders. The highly lustrous surfaces are predominantly satiny, although closer inspection reveals modest semi-reflectivity in the fields. The strike is sharp throughout and the quality suggests a Superb Gem grade. The late 1870s saw large quantities of earlier dated dimes that had been hoarded enter commerce. This influx resulted in little need for new coinage, explaining the Philadelphia Mint's paltry output of 36,000 circulation strikes in 1880. This date has long been popular with numismatists, and the many examples saved since the time of issue explain the Mint State coins available in the market. Few survivors, however, are as well preserved and visually impressive as this premium quality MS-66.

PCGS# 4688. NGC ID: 23AT.

CAC Stickered Population: 12; 9.

From Heritage's Long Beach Signature Auction of November 2011, lot 3402; Heritage's CSNS Signature Auction of April 2013, lot 1745; our sale of the Srotag Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 4707.



11057

1908-O MS-65+ (PCGS). CAC. Tinges of pale antique silver iridescence enhance both sides of this wonderfully original Gem. Sharply struck by the standards of this coinage facility with uncommonly smooth and well preserved surfaces. As one of the more available New Orleans Mint Barber dimes in high grades, the 1908-O is a popular issue with advanced mintmarked type collectors. We caution bidders, however, that at and above the basal MS-65 level this issue is rare in an absolute sense with offerings few and fare between under normal market conditions.

PCGS# 4848. NGC ID: 23F9.

PCGS Population: 1; 21 finer (MS-67 finest).

From our sale of the Srotag Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 4739.



11058

1915-S MS-66 (PCGS). This lightly toned premium Gem displays strong, frosty mint luster overall. Liberty's portrait details are well defined, while the lower wreath exhibits a trace of softness on several of the leaves at 7 o'clock. Even under close scrutiny, there are no reportable marks and the coin is certainly a high-end Gem. Only 13 issues (plus the 1894-S) in the Barber dime series have a mintage below 1 million coins; this is one of them. Only 960,000 pieces were struck, and examples are eagerly sought after, especially in the finest certified grades. The 1915-S usually comes well struck and lustrous, as is the case with this coin, an immensely appealing representative.

PCGS# 4869. NGC ID: 23FX.

PCGS Population: 12; just 4 are finer (MS-67 finest).



11059

1916 Mercury. MS-67 FB (PCGS). A Superb Gem with gorgeous multicolored toning across the obverse. Boldly lustrous and well struck, this is a fantastic example from the first year of issue in the Mercury dime series.

PCGS# 4905. NGC ID: 23GX.



11060

1916-S Mercury. MS-67 FB (NGC). Speckled golden-russet and light argent patina speaks volumes about the originality of this virtually pristine Superb Gem. This coin is overall fully struck with intense mint luster in a silky smooth, frosty texture. The premier San Francisco Mint Mercury dime, the 1916-S was not saved to the same extent as its Philadelphia Mint counterpart and is quite scarce in Uncirculated condition relative to the respectable mintage of 10,450,000 pieces. The coin offered here is rare from a condition standpoint and is seemingly earmarked for inclusion in a top-ranked Mercury dime set.

PCGS# 4909. NGC ID: 23GZ.

NGC Census: 12; 2 finer in this category (both MS-67+).



11061

1919-D MS-63 FB (PCGS). A key date condition rarity in the Mercury dime series, most survivors from the 9,939,000-piece mintage for the 1919-D are well worn. The typical Mint State example is poorly struck with limited eye appeal, and even such pieces are scarce in numismatic circles. This is a superior coin for the issue that is worthy of serious bidder consideration.

PCGS# 4925. NGC ID: 23H9.



11062

1926 MS-67 FB (PCGS). Tied for the second highest graded at PCGS, this is a remarkably well preserved and well struck example of the issue. Fully split and rounded central crossbands stand out from the fascies, the fields are highly lustrous with a frosty semi-reflectivity, and the surfaces are virtually flawless. Blushes of blue and amber toning meld into the otherwise brilliant silver that dominates on both obverse and reverse. A prime candidate for a top tier Mercury dime collection on the PCGS Set Registry.

PCGS# 4955. NGC ID: 23HR.

PCGS Population: 48; 3 finer in this category (all MS-67+ FB).

Significant 1928-S Dime in Superb Gem Mint State Rare Large S Mintmark



11063

1928-S FS-501. Large S. MS-67 FB (NGC). Subtle wisps of reddish-russet patina on the obverse enhance otherwise dominant toning in iridescent champagne-pink. This is a fully lustrous and satiny Superb Gem, and a coin that also boasts impressively full strike detail from the rims to the centers.

Delivered the year before the Wall Street crash of 1929, the 1928-S saw the early effects of the Great Depression through the withholding of many examples from circulation. This proved beneficial to later generations of collectors for, after only the 1929-S, the 1928-S is the most readily obtainable early date San Francisco Mint Mercury dime in Mint State. It is also one of the better produced issues from its era, although David W. Lange (2005) issues the cautionary warning that, “examples having full bands form a minority of the surviving Uncirculated

population.” In the very finest grades, as here, such Full Bands examples are undeniable condition rarities that enjoy strong demand from advanced Mercury dime date collectors.

The offered coin is also of tremendous appeal to variety specialists as a stellar-quality example of the rare Large S mintmark variety for the issue. Rarer even than David Q. Lange’s initial estimate of 20% of 1928-S dimes, the Large S seems to account for only about 1 in 100 extant examples. This unusual S mintmark is identifiable by a thick center stroke and tall serifs, appears to have been used in dime coinage during the latter part of 1928, and is unknown on any other coins before or after 1928. The FS-501 and Large S attributions are not noted on the NGC insert.

PCGS# 4971. NGC ID: 23HZ.

NGC Census: 2; 3 finer (MS-68 FB finest).



11064

1929-S MS-67 FB (NGC). Delicate toning and strong satiny luster glow across both sides, accenting the silky smooth surfaces of this virtually pristine example. Expertly produced, carefully preserved, and indeed a delight to behold. This is an impressive, conditionally rare survivor of the otherwise readily obtainable 1929-S dime that is worthy of inclusion in a high quality Mercury set.

PCGS# 4977. NGC ID: 23J4.

NGC Census: 16; 4 finer in the designation (all MS-67+ FB).



11065

1938-D MS-68 FB (PCGS). Frosted mint luster blankets the virtually pristine surfaces of this dazzling Ultra Gem example. Sharply struck and displaying some vivid toning in isolated peripheral areas. This is a "wonder coin" in a 1938-D Mercury dime, one of the finest known to PCGS, and sure to elicit strong bids from advanced collectors of this popular 20th century silver series.

PCGS# 5013. NGC ID: 23JN.

PCGS Population: 33; with a single MS-68+ FB finer.



11066

1945-S FS-512. Micro S. MS-67+ (PCGS). CAC. Delightful satin surfaces are fully lustrous with delicate iridescent toning in champagne-pink and powder blue. This intriguing variety of the San Francisco Mint's final Mercury dime issue features a Micro S mintmark that is similar, yet not identical to that used on the 1916-S and 1917-S issues. The puncheon for this mintmark actually dates to 1907 and was created for use on the San Francisco Mint's coinage for the Philippine Islands, particularly the ten and twenty centavos issues. Last used in 1919, this mintmark punch appears to have been stored at the Philadelphia Mint until the pressing needs of wartime coinage during the early to mid 1940s resulted in its retrieval for use in creating dies for dime coinage at the West Coast branch mint. According to David W. Lange (*The Complete Guide to Mercury Dimes*, 2005 edition), the Micro S mintmark punch appears in the Mercury series only on the 1945-S, and it is never used again for any other issue, in any series.

PCGS# 5062. NGC ID: 23KH.

PCGS Population: 31; 7 finer in this category (all MS-68).

QUARTER DOLLARS



11067

1820 B-2. Rarity-2. Large 0. MS-61 (NGC). This is a pretty piece with superior eye appeal for the assigned grade, derived mostly from the vivid target-like toning in iridescent cobalt blue and reddish-apricot that adorns both sides. A lustrous prooflike appearance also supports the eye appeal, while we note only wispy hairlines precluding a higher Mint State rating. Well struck with most features boldly rendered. The 1820 is the fourth date in the Capped Bust quarter series designed by John Reich. The mintage for that calendar year is 127,444 pieces, although we have no way of knowing whether or not that total corresponds to the mintage from 1820-dated dies. The early United States Mint often used dies randomly and until they broke irretrievably without regard for year of issue, as high quality steel for making dies was in short supply. With five die marriages known and examples among the more available Large Diameter Capped Bust quarters, some 1820-dated examples were likely also included in the reported delivery of 216,851 quarters achieved in 1821.

Browning-2 vies with B-4 as the most plentiful variety of this issue, although we caution bidders that the vast majority of survivors are circulated to one degree or another. This Mint State example represents a significant find for high grade type collectors.

PCGS# 38961. BASE PCGS# 5329. NGC ID: 23RL.



11068

1834 B-1. Rarity-1. AU-58 (PCGS). A silver-tinged example that presents as brilliant at most viewing angles. Ample frosty luster and bold, nearly complete strike detail confirm a short stint in active circulation for this near-Mint type candidate from the later Capped Bust quarter series. Die State P.

PCGS# 5353. NGC ID: 23RZ.



11069

1868 Briggs 1-A. Unc Details—Cleaned (NGC). The 1868 quarter has a mintage of 29,400 circulation strikes. Survivors are scarce to rare in any grade, and even worn coins are seldom seen. Writing in the 1991 reference *The Comprehensive Encyclopedia of United States Liberty Seated Quarters*, Larry Briggs assigns Mint State examples an impressive Rarity-5+ rating.

PCGS# 5472. NGC ID: 23UE.



11070

1896 Proof-65+ Cameo (PCGS). CAC. More than worthy of the coveted Cameo designation, the snow white frosty devices stand out boldly as islands against the brilliantly deep, near-black mirror finish in the fields. The finish is exquisite and fully appreciable in the absence of both toning and detracting blemishes. Silver was high on the minds of politicians in 1896, most especially William Jennings Bryan in his second run for president, who gave his famous “Cross of Gold” speech at the Democratic convention in July. The demand for Proof Barber quarters waned as the 1890s wore on, the production figures dropping somewhat thanks in part to the lingering effects of the Panic of 1893 and a lessening in contemporary numismatic interest. Only 762 Proofs were struck for the 1896, though due to improvements in die preparation cameo examples, as here, are encountered on a somewhat more frequent basis than for earlier issues. Overall, the Proof 1896 quarters are available, but mostly no finer than certified Proof-64, and they become quite challenging any finer. This gorgeous Gem Cameo specimen will readily find an appreciative home.

PCGS# 85682. NGC ID: 242B.

Noteworthy 1897-O Barber Quarter Among the Very Finest Certified



11071

1897-O MS-67 (NGC). A condition rarity par excellence for this scarce and challenging early New Orleans Mint entry in the Barber quarter series. Razor sharp to full striking detail is a noteworthy departure for a series whose O-mint coins are often noticeably blunt in one or more areas. The surfaces are undeniably original in preservation and sport handsome copper-gray, cobalt blue and champagne-pink patina that is a tad more vivid on the reverse. Expertly preserved with no troublesome blemishes to billowy mint luster.

The mintage of 1,414,800 pieces for this issue saw heavy commercial use and Uncirculated survivors are elusive in today’s market. This superb quality MS-67 ranks among the finest certified at NGC. It would serve as a highlight in any advanced collection and would be especially appealing to NGC Registry players.

PCGS# 5617. NGC ID: 23YB.

NGC Census: 2 with a single MS-67+ finer. The corresponding PCGS Population is identical at 2/1 (MS-67+ also finest).



11072

1903 Proof-64 (NGC). There is some semblance of a cameo finish here, the otherwise reflective surfaces revealing a rare tinge of frosting to the devices in a 20th century Proof Barber quarter. Fully struck with a bright silver-white appearance.

PCGS# 5689. NGC ID: 242J.



11073

1917 Type I. MS-67 FH (NGC). The quintessential type issue in the Standing Liberty quarter series, and represented here by an attractive and conditionally scarce Superb Gem. Lightly toned surfaces offer full, satiny mint luster that is free of detracting marks. Fully struck, as befits the issue, and sure to catch the eye of high-grade type collectors.

PCGS# 5707. NGC ID: 242Z.



11074

1917 Type I. MS-66 FH (PCGS). The always popular Type I Standing Liberty quarter often comes nice, and this Philadelphia Mint example is no exception. Brilliant apart from subtle iridescent champagne-gold peripheral iridescence, both sides are fully struck with intense satin luster. Ideal for high grade type purposes.

PCGS# 5707. NGC ID: 242Z.



11075

1917-S Type I. MS-64 FH (NGC). Light pinkish-russet iridescence drifts toward the borders on both sides of this lustrous and pleasingly smooth Choice Mint State example. The 1917-S is the scarcest Type I Standing Liberty quarter of this date in all Mint State grades, and also the most challenging to locate in the Full Head category. This one will do nicely in a high grade set.

PCGS# 5711. NGC ID: 2433.



11076

1934-D Medium Motto. MS-67 (NGC). Minimally toned in pale champagne-gold, this intensely lustrous, satin-textured example delivers outstanding quality for the issue. Both sides are fully struck and expertly preserved. Quarter production at the Denver Mint in 1934 amounted to 3,527,200 coins, a smaller total by Washington quarter standards that confirms the key date status of this issue in all but the lowest circulated grades. As a solidly graded and aesthetically pleasing Superb Gem the offered example is exceedingly rare from a condition standpoint. Sure to sell for a strong premium to an advanced Washington quarter Registry collector.

PCGS# 5796. NGC ID: 244C.

NGC Census: 9; 2 finer (both MS-67+).



11077

1935 MS-68 (PCGS). Wisps of playful powder blue and champagne-gold iridescence blend with dominant antique silver tinting on both sides of this lovely Ultra Gem quarter. A full endowment of thick, frosty mint luster flows serenely over surfaces that are free of even the most trivial blemish. Sharply struck and supremely attractive to excite the advanced Washington quarter collector competing for top ranking on the PCGS Registry. This is the primary plate coin for the issue on the *PCGS CoinFacts* website.

PCGS# 5797. NGC ID: 244D.

PCGS Population: 11; 0 finer.



11078

1935 MS-67+ (PCGS). CAC. Billowy mint luster and delicate champagne-gold iridescence blend nicely on smooth, virtually pristine surfaces. Both sides are fully struck and deliver outstanding eye appeal. Our multiple offerings for such examples in this sale notwithstanding, survivors of this early date Washington quarter issue are very rare above the basal MS-67 grade level. Don't let the sizeable mintage of 32,484,000 pieces fool you - the 1935 is extremely challenging to locate at the uppermost reaches of Superb Gem and in Ultra Gem Mint State.

PCGS# 5797. NGC ID: 244D.

PCGS Population: 47; 11 finer (all MS-68).



11079

1939 MS-68 (PCGS). CAC. As one of the finest 1939 quarters known to PCGS, this is a highly significant offering for specialists in the Washington series who are competing for top ranking on the Set Registry. Both sides are wonderfully original in preservation with a dusting of sandy-gold iridescence that is boldest at the borders. Silky smooth and approaching numismatic perfection, intense mint luster and a razor sharp strike are also strong suits for this glorious Ultra Gem example.

PCGS# 5808. NGC ID: 244R.

PCGS Population: 27; with a single MS-68+ finer.

CAC Stickered Population: 13; 0.



11080

1955-D MS-67 (NGC). Silky smooth surfaces offer an intensely lustrous, softly frosted finish. Brilliant throughout with solid Superb Gem quality that is conditionally scarce for the issue.

PCGS# 5859. NGC ID: 246A.

NGC Census: 60; 3 finer (MS-67+ ★ finest).

HALF DOLLARS



11081

1806 O-109, T-15. Rarity-1. Pointed 6, Stem Not Through Claw. AU Details—Damaged (NGC). Only two varieties of 1806 half dollars use a reverse with the stem not extending through the eagle's claw, this one and the extremely rare O-108. The current die pair, O-109, also represents the only marriage of the Pointed 6, Stem Not Through Claw variety, which is a popular *Guide Book* listing and is subject to strong demand from collectors in all grades. This more affordable AU example offers suitable bold detail and much frosty luster for the less discerning bidder. Considerable scuffing to the obverse helps explain the NGC qualifier. Tompkins Die Stage 1/1.

PCGS# 6073. NGC ID: 24EJ.

Condition Census 1811 O-106 Half Dollar



11082

1811 O-106. Rarity-2. Small 8. MS-65 (NGC). A handsome Gem, both sides are warmly toned in a blend of pewter and golden-gray. Evidence of die fatigue is clearly seen around the obverse periphery, but Liberty's portrait is bold and the reverse is sharply to fully defined in most areas. Smooth, billowy mint luster throughout. The 1811 Overton-106 may be a common variety in an absolute sense, but it is rare in the finest Mint State grades. As an early date in the Capped Bust half dollar series,

such pieces are particularly prized among specialists; Gems are more easily located from the later date issues beginning in the mid-1820s. The NGC MS-65 example offered here is included in the Spring 2025 revision to Stephen J. Herrman's AMBPR for Bust half dollars, in which it is tied for CC#2.

PCGS# 6097. NGC ID: 24EU.

From Heritage's FUN Signature Sale of January 2003, lot 7076.



11083

1818 O-110. Rarity-4. AU-58 (NGC). Bright, brilliant surfaces are sharply struck for this variety. (The obverse die is worn in this pairing with all stars drawn to the edge.) Much frosty luster remains, and the only mark of note is a light obverse scratch inside stars 4 through 6 that serves as a useful identifier. The 1818 O-110 is a scarce variety, and the present example is tied for CC#4 according to the census listing in the Spring 2025 revision to Stephen J. Herrman's AMBPR for Bust half dollars. Die State 110.1.

PCGS# 6113. NGC ID: 24F9.



11084

1822 O-113. Rarity-3. AU-58 (PCGS). CAC. This is a glorious example, far and away superior to the typical Choice About Uncirculated survivor of an early date Capped Bust half dollar issue such as the 1822. Peripheral toning is outstanding with halos of olive-blue giving way to gently mottled reddish-apricot tinting, before finally yielding to virtual brilliance in the centers. The strike is ideally centered and sharply executed, the surfaces with much luster remaining in a hard frosty texture. For an AU-58, it is difficult to imagine a more attractive or desirable half dollar of this date. Die State 113.1.

PCGS# 6129. NGC ID: 24FG.



11085

1826 O-104a. Rarity-3. MS-63 (NGC). Blended cobalt blue and golden-apricot highlights enliven dominant steel-gray patina for this smooth and satiny example. Apart from the handful of Condition Census survivors, this just miss example represents the finest in quality obtainable for the Overton-104a die state of the 1826 half dollar for today's discerning collectors. Die State 104.4.

PCGS# 39671. BASE PCGS# 6143. NGC ID: 24FM.

From our ANA Auction of August 2021, lot 3149.



11086

1827 O-142. Rarity-2. Square Base 2. MS-62 (PCGS). Bright, brilliant surfaces with a softly frosted finish. This is a lustrous, sharply struck example whose uncommonly smooth appearance at the BU grade level will excite Mint State type collectors seeking a Capped Bust, Lettered Edge half dollar. Die State 142.1.

PCGS# 6144. NGC ID: 24FN.



11087

1832 O-103. Rarity-1. Small Letters. MS-64 (PCGS). CAC. Lovely surfaces are undeniably original in preservation, as confirmed by the full endowment of warm pearl gray patina that blankets both sides. Luster is full and softly frosted, the strike remarkably sharp overall for a late date half dollar of this design type. The 1832 Overton-103 is a common die pairing in this series, but in premium Choice Mint State the offered coin is just shy of Condition Census. A fleeting opportunity to acquire a superior example of the type or variety without spending considerably more for a coin certified MS-65. Die State 103.1.

PCGS# 6160. NGC ID: 24FW.



11088

1834 O-101. Rarity-1. Large Date, Large Letters. MS-62 (NGC). Pretty iridescent toning in reddish-gold appears to drift toward the borders. Sharply struck in the centers, with strong frosty luster overall, this is a desirable late date Capped Bust half dollar for Mint State type purposes. Die State 101.1.

PCGS# 6164. NGC ID: 24FY.



11089

1851 WB-3. Rarity-4. Repunched Date. AU-58 (NGC). A boldly toned example awash in warm sandy-gray patina. From a mintage of just 200,750 circulation strikes, reflecting the fact that by the early 1850s the bullion value of newly minted silver coins exceeded their face value. In 1851, for example, \$100 in face value of silver coins was worth on average \$103.40. Most 1851 half dollars were gathered up by speculators shortly after minting and were eventually melted for their precious metal content. The few survivors are generally lightly circulated, as here, or Mint State. Well worn examples are exceedingly rare and represent coins that were exported at the time of issue and repatriated after years of extensive commercial use in Canada or Latin America.

PCGS# 6266. NGC ID: 24HJ.



11090

1853 Arrows and Rays. WB-101. AU-55 (PCGS). OGH. A one-year design type, and the most attractive for the Liberty Seated half dollar in this cataloger's opinion, the 1853 Arrows and Rays is a perennial favorite with collectors. Housed in a Generation 3.1 PCGS holder, this Choice AU also offers iridescent champagne-apricot toning and appreciable frosty luster to increase its desirability for advanced collectors. Fully struck with enough remaining detail to suggest an AU-58 grade, although faint hairlines and slight muting of the surfaces are noted for accuracy.

PCGS# 6275. NGC ID: 24JJ.



11091

1854-O Arrows. WB-4. Rarity-3. MS-63 (PCGS). This is a peripherally toned piece with frosty mint luster and a universally sharp strike from the dies. Along with the 1854 and 1855-O, the 1854-O is an ideal issue to represent the brief Arrows, No Motto Liberty Seated half dollar design in a Mint State type set.

PCGS# 6280. NGC ID: 24JM.



11092

1861-O Confederate States Issue. W-13. Rarity-2. AU-58 (NGC). A boldly and handsomely toned example of this historic Civil War era issue in the Liberty Seated half dollar series. There is no bisecting die crack through the date visible on this example, and the die lines right of the date are very strong. Very early die state for the variety.

PCGS# 6303. NGC ID: 24J8.



11093

1866 Motto. Proof-64 (PCGS). The year 1866 saw the official launch of the Motto design type in the Liberty Seated half dollar series. The motto IN GOD WE TRUST made its first appearance in the regular issue U.S. coin series in 1864, on the newly introduced two-cent piece, and by 1866 it had been introduced to all silver and gold coins of sufficient size. Proof production for the 1866 Motto half dollar amounted to 725 pieces, the coins offered to contemporary collectors as part of the year's silver Proof sets. Enough have survived to make this a readily obtainable issue by the standards of the type, but only in lower grades. As an attractive Choice Proof, the bright and brilliant coin offered here has much to recommend it to first-year type collectors.

PCGS# 6424. NGC ID: 27TZ.



11094

1870 Proof-65 (PCGS). CAC. From a Proof mintage of 1,000 coins, premium quality survivors of which are more challenging to locate than Proof Liberty Seated half dollar issues dated 1879 to 1891. And this is a lovely Gem, sharply struck and highly reflective with an overlay of delicate golden iridescence. A find for the better date specimen type collector or astute Proof Liberty Seated half dollar enthusiast.

PCGS# 6428. NGC ID: 27U5.

PCGS Population: 17; 10 finer in this category (Proof-67 finest).

CAC Stickered Population: 8; 4.



11095

1875-S WB-18. Rarity-4. Misplaced Date, Very Small S. MS-65 (PCGS). In anticipation of the resumption in silver specie payments after its suspension early in the Civil War, which occurred in April 1876, the United States Mint stepped up half dollar production at all of its facilities in 1875. The San Francisco Mint struck 3,200,000 examples of this denomination that year, the 1875-S one of the more popular type candidates in the later Liberty Seated half dollar series. This lustrous and lightly toned Gem would do particularly well in a high grade set. The base of an errant 1 protrudes from the rock support above the primary digit 1 in the date, this being the most significant diagnostic of the WB-18 attribution.

PCGS# 6351. NGC ID: 24KE.



11096

1878 Proof-66+ Cameo (NGC). Remarkable quality for this otherwise frequently encountered Proof 1870s Liberty Seated half dollar issue. Boldly cameoed and veiled in delicate champagne-gold iridescence, the surfaces are truly impressive with regard to their level of preservation. Virtually pristine, in fact, and eagerly awaiting inclusion in a top-flight Proof type or date set.

PCGS# 86439. NGC ID: 27UD.

NGC Census: 1; 6 finer in this category (all Proof-67 Cameo). The corresponding PCGS Population is 18/1 (Proof-68 Cameo finest).



11097

1882 WB-101. Proof-66+ Deep Cameo (NGC). A stark white coin that shows incredible depth of reflectivity in the fields which offset the mile high frost on the devices. Furthermore, the fields and surfaces are incredibly smooth, showing no faults or hairlines. Perhaps two dozen of the original mintage of 1,100 pieces in Proof show this degree of contrast and depth of mirror fields; of that tiny number precious few remain as Gems. An exceptional coin for a collector who demands quality and eye appeal.

PCGS# 96443. NGC ID: 27UH.

NGC Census: 1; 3 finer (Proof-68 Ultra Cameo finest). The corresponding PCGS Population is 0/2 (Proof-67+ Deep Cameo finest).

Mint State 1904-S Half Dollar Rarity



11098

1904-S MS-62 (NGC). Seldom-offered Uncirculated preservation for this low mintage, key date entry in the Barber half dollar series. Warmly and attractively toned, both sides are awash in pinkish-gray patina. Frosty mint luster shines forth nicely as the coin rotates under a light. The strike is sharp throughout, and the in-hand appearance is smoother than one might expect at the assigned grade level.

With a mintage of just 553,038 pieces, the 1904-S is certainly scarce to rare in all grades. On the other hand, well worn survivors are not as elusive as those of higher mintage

mintmarked issues in this series such as the 1896-S, 1897-O and 1897-S. Perhaps the low mintage prevented many coins in grades such as Good and VG from being melted over the years? Above the Choice VF level, however, the significant rarity of the 1904-S comes readily to fore. David Lawrence has described this issue as the rarest Barber half dollar in EF and AU grades. In Mint State it is a landmark rarity, which judgement confirms that this BU example will see spirited bidding among advanced Barber coinage enthusiasts.

PCGS# 6500. NGC ID: 24MP.

NGC Census: 3; 12 finer (MS-67 finest).



11099

1905-S AU-58 (PCGS). CAC. While mintmarked half dollar issues of this type were generally overlooked by contemporary numismatists, the 1905-S suffered an especially high rate of attrition through commercial use. David Lawrence (1991) describes it as, “A sleeper in MS (like the 1910-S) and underrated.” Circulated survivors are readily obtainable in the lowest grades (Good, VG, etc.), but are scarce in attractive VF and EF, and rare in similarly well-preserved AU. Warmly toned over sharply struck and lustrous surfaces, this is one of the finest Choice About Uncirculated 1905-S half dollars extant; it will do justice to an advanced Barber set.

PCGS# 6503. NGC ID: 24MT.

CAC Stickered Population: 9 in all AU grades.



11100

1913-D MS-64 (PCGS). CAC. Billowy mint luster is lightly and attractively toned in sandy-apricot iridescence that finds greatest expression at the borders. Most features are sharply struck, and the eye appeal is strong. From a mintage for the date of 534,000 pieces, struck toward the end of the design type when modest mintage figures were the rule and not the exception. An appealing premium near-Gem that ranks among the finer examples of the issue currently available.

PCGS# 6528. NGC ID: 24NL.



11101

1915-S MS-65 (NGC). With 1,604,000 examples struck, the final year 1915-S Barber half is readily available in Mint State but remarkably scarce in Gem MS-65 and finer grades. This is a lovely piece, frosty to semi-reflective in finish with a bold to sharp strike. Brilliant apart from a few speckles of faint, barely perceptible toning on the obverse.

PCGS# 6534. NGC ID: 24NT.



11102

1916-S MS-64 (PCGS). CAC. Strikingly original surfaces with dominant antique gold iridescence and rich charcoal-russet outlines to the design elements. Crisply impressed overall with full, billowy mint luster. Only 508,000 half dollars came off the press at the San Francisco Mint during the first year of production for the Walking Liberty design type, and this is a scarce survivor in premium Choice Mint State.

PCGS# 6568. NGC ID: 24PN.

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Outstanding Gem Mint State 1917-S Half Dollar

Obverse Mintmark Placement



11103

1917-S Obverse Mintmark. MS-65 (NGC). This is a lovely example of a leading condition rarity among Walking Liberty half dollars. Both sides are dusted with lovely champagne-gold and pale russet iridescence that provides plenty of eye appeal. The strike is impressively sharp with full detail to all but a few isolated design features. Satiny with the characteristic stippled texture of an early date half dollar of this type, the surfaces are exceptionally well preserved and worthy of the Gem Mint State grade.

The 1917-S Obverse Mintmark keeps company with eight other issues in the Walking Liberty series that had mintages of fewer than one million pieces. Only 952,000 half dollars were struck in 1917 with this mintmark placement, in fact, and for many years this was considered one of the key dates to the series. Today, however, the 1917-S Obverse Mintmark is known to be fairly available in grades from About Uncirculated to MS-63. In MS-64 and MS-65 it remains rare, the Gem offered here worthy of the strongest bids.

PCGS# 6572. NGC ID: 24PT.

NGC Census: 33; 2 finer (MS-66 finest).



11104

1918 MS-65 (PCGS). Warmly toned and lustrous, this Gem exhibits olive-gray and pinkish-silver patina on creamy smooth surfaces. Sharply to fully struck throughout the design. The 1918 has a mintage of 6,634,000 pieces, a generous total for a pre-1934 Walking Liberty half dollar, and is among the more readily available early date issues in this series, but only in circulated grades. Mint State survivors are surprisingly difficult to find, and most grade no finer than MS-64. Scarce in MS-65, the 1918 is rare in higher grades, and the present example represents an excellent value for astute Walking Liberty half dollar enthusiasts.

PCGS# 6574. NGC ID: 24PV.



11105

1920 MS-64 (PCGS). Antique golden-olive patina overall with russet highlights engaging the borders and design elements. A handsome Choice Mint State offering from this desirable early date issue in the Walking Liberty half dollar series.

PCGS# 6580. NGC ID: 24R3.

Incredible Superb Gem Uncirculated 1933-S Half Dollar



11106

1933-S MS-67 (NGC). Offered is an outstanding example of this sharply struck issue. Both sides are virtually pristine with full, brilliant, frosty white luster. Superb in every respect, and sure to please even the most discerning numismatist.

This issue is quite important as it is the only silver coin struck in 1933 by the San Francisco Mint, since demand for Peace silver dollars, the new Washington quarters and Mercury dimes was

sluggish as the Great Depression really dug into the economy. Half dollars were issued to the tune of 1,786,000 pieces, and few Americans could afford to set these aside during this period. This is one of the absolute finest examples seen by NGC and a prize for the date and mint collector who demands the very best.

PCGS# 6591. NGC ID: 24RE.

NGC Census: 12; 5 finer (all MS-67+). The corresponding PCGS Population is 16/3 (MS-67+ also finest).



11107

1937-S MS-66+ (PCGS). CAC. One of the scarcer middle date Walking Liberty half dollars, the 1937-S is more challenging to collect in Mint State than the 1936-D, 1939-D, 1939-S and 1940-S, not to mention all Philadelphia Mint issues from 1934 to 1940. This is one of the finer examples known to PCGS, a beautiful upper end Gem that would do justice to an advanced collection of this popular 20th century series. Brilliant and boldly lustrous.

PCGS# 6603. NGC ID: 24RT.

11108

1938 Proof-68 (PCGS). Crescents of bold reddish-copper iridescence hug the upper obverse and lower reverse borders of this otherwise silver-tinged beauty. This issue has a reported mintage of 8,152 pieces, but with 48 reserved for Assay, the distribution to contemporary numismatists amounted to 8,104 coins. More significantly, Roger W. Burdette (2016) provides an estimate of only 5,200 survivors, which figure ranks the 1938 as the third-rarest Proof Walking Liberty half dollar issue after the 1936 and 1937. This is one of the finest seen by PCGS, a wonderfully original Ultra Gem fit for an advanced cabinet.

PCGS# 6638. NGC ID: 27V6.

PCGS Population: 26; 2 finer (both Proof-68+).

Ultra Gem Proof 1938 Half Dollar

Scarcer Walking Liberty Issue



11109

1938 Proof-68 (PCGS). The third Proof installment in the Walking Liberty half dollar series, and also the third rarest after the 1936 and 1937, the 1938 is typically offered no finer than Proof-66. In Proof-68, as here, the issue is an important condition rarity that is the province of the most advanced collectors. A lovely specimen, this PCGS-certified example offers a universally

brilliant finish beneath an overlay of iridescent silver-rose and champagne-gold iridescence. Fully struck, expertly preserved, and sure to please the quality conscious numismatist.

PCGS# 6638. NGC ID: 27V6.

PCGS Population: 26; with a mere two finer in Proof-68+.



11110

1939 Proof-65 (PCGS). OGH Rattler. Fully struck with a dusting of pale silvery tinting on universally reflective surfaces.

PCGS# 6639. NGC ID: 27V7.



11111

1939-D MS-67 (NGC). An overall brilliant example with strong mint luster, the more persistent viewer will discern delicate golden highlights to both sides. Boldly struck with a virtually pristine appearance, this is a superior 1939-D half dollar in all regards. The 1939-D is the most plentiful mintmarked Walking Liberty half dollar from the middle portion of this series (1934-1940), edging out the 1940-S in an absolute sense and the 1939-S in MS-65 and higher grades. Such a fact should not disparage the condition scarcity of the present Superb Gem, however, for it is superior to the vast majority of other survivors in today's market.

PCGS# 6607. NGC ID: 24RX.

Superb Gem 1941-S Half Dollar

The Key Date to the Walking Liberty "Short Set"



11112

1941-S MS-67 (PCGS). Here is a predominantly brilliant and pearlescent beauty, with pretty reddish-gold iridescence confined to the borders. Softly frosted luster is seen throughout, and the strike is above average for the issue with emerging to bold definition in the centers. The surfaces are as pristine as would be expected for the assigned grade.

Struck on the West Coast on the very cusp of the United States' official entry into World War II, the 1941-S is the undisputed key date issue in the popular Walking Liberty half dollar "short set" of 1941 to 1947. It has a mintage of 8,098,000 pieces, and

while not the smallest in the series, the nation's burgeoning wartime economy and the tumultuous events of the deadliest conflict in human history resulted in relatively few examples being spared circulation. Even so, enough were preserved to make the 1941-S readily obtainable in Mint State grades below MS-67. At this level the issue is exceedingly rare, the present example among the finest certified at PCGS. A true prize for the advanced collector of this popular 20th century silver series.

PCGS# 6613. NGC ID: 24S5.

PCGS Population: 21; 0 finer.



11113

1941-S MS-66+ (PCGS). CAC. Representing the scarcest issue in the 1941 to 1947 “short set” in high grade, this is an exceptionally well preserved example that ranks among the higher graded examples seen at PCGS. Satiny smooth, vibrantly lustrous surfaces are dusted with a hint of peripheral toning that accents the sharply struck devices. Due to the rarity of the 1941-S in MS-67, we suspect the *PCGS Population Report* shows some duplication of submissions at the MS-66/66+ levels in hopes of attaining a Superb Gem grade. This high end Gem is worthy of placement in any advanced set.

PCGS# 6613. NGC ID: 24S5.



11114

1950 Proof-67 (NGC). Bright, brilliant surfaces are remarkably free of the blemishes (both Mint-made and post-production) that are all too prevalent on examples of this key date Proof Franklin half dollar issue. Universally mirrored in finish, this dazzling Superb Gem will please even the most discerning collector.

PCGS# 6691. NGC ID: 27VA.

SILVER DOLLARS



11115

1799 BB-157, B-5a. Rarity-2. Fine Details—Filed Rims (PCGS). As one of the more frequently encountered die marriages of the 1799 dollar, BB-157 is an ideal candidate to represent the Draped Bust, Heraldic Eagle design in a type set. BB Die State II, the die state usually seen.

PCGS# 6878. NGC ID: 24X7.



11116

1799 BB-163, B-10. Rarity-2. VF-20 (PCGS). A textbook example of a Very Fine early dollar. Moderate, problem-free wear is seen on both sides from its time in circulation, but the major details retain plenty of boldness throughout. A wholesome example overall, perfect for circulated type set purposes. BB Die State III.

PCGS# 6878. NGC ID: 24X7.



11117

1799 BB-166, B-9. Rarity-1. VF-20 (ANACS). OH. Iridescent undertones of cobalt blue and pinkish-apricot backlight dominant dusky pewter and steel gray patina. Cleaned at one time, yet free of sizeable marks, and with enough bold detail remaining to serve as a more affordable type candidate from the challenging early dollar series. BB Die State III.

PCGS# 6878. NGC ID: 24X7.



11118

1842 OC-8. Rarity-5. AU-53 (PCGS). The 1842 is the highest mintage (184,618 pieces) Liberty Seated dollar struck prior to 1859. As it also has an above average rate of survival, it has long been a favorite of type collectors seeking a single example to represent the No Motto design. This lightly toned AU coin retains ample evidence of a bright, frosty to semi-reflective finish.

PCGS# 6928. NGC ID: 24YC.



11119

1846-O OC-1. Rarity-2. AU-53 (NGC). An extremely popular issue, the 1846-O is the first mintmarked silver dollar in U.S. coinage, and one of only four issues in the Liberty Seated series from the New Orleans Mint. The mintage of 59,000 pieces was achieved at the request of bullion depositors, much of the silver coming from worn down Spanish colonial and other foreign coins deposited for recoinage. As with its contemporaries from the Philadelphia Mint, the 1846-O was largely used in the export trade, in this case through the busy port of New Orleans. Most were shipped to Europe, from where some examples returned to the United States in payment for American goods such as cotton. On the other hand, this issue was produced during a decade in which coins of this denomination also saw considerable domestic circulation in the South, especially in the Mississippi River Valley. Indeed, the lower average grade among survivors suggests that the 1846-O saw considerably more commercial use than the Philadelphia Mint silver dollars from the 1840s. The 1,000 to 1,250 coins extant for the 1846-O are generally in EF or lower grades, and usually impaired. This issue is comparable in overall rarity to the lower mintage 1845, but it is more challenging to locate in AU (despite price guide figures that suggest otherwise). There was no contemporary numismatic interest in this New Orleans Mint issue, and the few high grade coins that have survived did so purely as a matter of chance. This one is deeply toned overall in a blend of antique copper and charcoal gray.

PCGS# 6933. NGC ID: 24YH.



11120

1861 Proof-62 (PCGS). Bright, lightly toned surfaces are sharply to fully struck with a well mirrored finish. From a mintage of 1,000 Proof silver dollars for the date, many of which were released into commerce or, more likely, melted in the Mint when they failed to sell to contemporary collectors. Scarce.

PCGS# 7004. NGC ID: 252F.



11121

1866 Motto. Proof-62 Cameo (PCGS). Minimally toned in iridescent gold, this fully struck example offers strong contrast between mirrored fields and frosty motifs. Popular as the premier Proof in the Motto portion of the Liberty Seated dollar series, the 1866 is also associated by date with a scarce and conditionally challenging circulation strike issue. Both type and date collectors are sure to compete for this pleasing specimen.

PCGS# 87014. NGC ID: 252M.



11122

1867 Proof-63 Cameo (PCGS). A lovely and original Cameo Proof Liberty Seated dollar. Richly frosted devices stand out in contrast to the watery reflective fields. Light olive-russet and smoky-silver iridescent toning graces both sides in a gently mottled fashion that is visually quite fetching. One of only 625 Proofs struck, in this Choice state of preservation this coin has the best combination of attributes: solid technical quality, solid eye appeal, and an affordable price point.

PCGS# 87015. NGC ID: 252N.

From our sale of the Walden Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 5397.



11123

1867 Proof-58 (PCGS). Lightly toned in dusky rose-gray, especially on the reverse, this fully struck and reflective specimen readily retains its Proof characteristics. Almost certainly a specimen that was released into commercial channels, probably by the Mint, which did so with examples of many 19th century Proof issues when they failed to sell to contemporary collectors.

PCGS# 7015. NGC ID: 252N.



11124

1868 OC-3, FS-301. Rarity-4-. Top 30 Variety. Misplaced Date. AU Details—Cleaned (PCGS). The 1868 begins a trend toward higher circulation strike coinage of silver dollars that continues through the end of the Liberty Seated series in early 1873. Domestic production at the Comstock and other sources had reached a level beginning in the late 1860s that made bullion depositors increasingly look to the dollar as a storehouse of excess silver. Once converted into coin form, this bullion was primary used in the export trade with the Orient, which claimed much of the 162,100-piece mintage for the circulation strike 1868. The 300 to 400 survivors that Q. David Bowers (2016) accounts for in worn condition largely represent coins that returned from export to other countries, mostly in Europe and Latin America, and subsequently escaped domestic melting.

PCGS# 6961. NGC ID: 24ZB.



11125

1869 Proof-63 Cameo (PCGS). A watery reflective example with splashes of mottled iridescent toning on both sides. Light hairlines - visible under magnification - account for the assigned grade, but the overall eye appeal is quite fetching. One of 600 Proof silver dollars produced for collectors in 1869.

PCGS# 87017. NGC ID: 252R.



11126

1870-CC OC-9. Rarity-4-. AU-53 (NGC). Iridescent lilac and slate-blue toning is joined by wisps of steel and golden-gray on both sides of this AU example. Plenty of bold to sharp striking detail remains, as befits the assigned grade, and the surfaces are remarkably free of sizeable marks for a lightly circulated CC-Mint dollar of this vintage. With most survivors from limited mintage of 12,462 pieces being well worn and grading no finer than VF, this NGC-certified AU-53 is sure to see spirited bidding among advanced collectors. The perennially popular 1870-CC is the premier, and also the most readily obtainable Carson City Mint issue in the challenging Liberty Seated dollar series.

PCGS# 6964. NGC ID: 24ZE.

From our sale of the Tom Hyland Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 5403.



11127

1870-CC OC-9. Rarity-4. EF Details—Scratch (PCGS). Overall a very pleasing example from this first year of issue from the historic and famed Carson City Mint. Even wear is seen on both the obverse and reverse, which are a lovely dove and gray-gold tone. There is an old toned over scratch on the central obverse that accounts for PCGS's qualifier, but this flaw will be overlooked by the budget minded collector seeking an example of this important scarcity.

PCGS# 6964. NGC ID: 24ZE.



11128

1873 Liberty Seated. Proof-58 (PCGS). This final year of the Liberty Seated type in the silver dollar series saw a Proof mintage of 600 pieces. At some point this example saw a brief time in circulation, perhaps released into commerce by the Mint when it failed to sell to a contemporary collector. The devices are crisp, and there is still some reflectivity in the fields. Both sides are warmly toned in medium rose-gray color.

PCGS# 7021. NGC ID: 252V.



11129

1878 7/8 Tailfeathers. Weak. MS-64 DMPL (PCGS). OGH. Shimmering fields and frosty design elements are blanketed in pretty, light pinkish-silver patina. Seldom offered DMPL quality for this transitional hub variety in the early Morgan dollar series.

PCGS# 97071. NGC ID: 2TY3.

PCGS Population: 42; 15 finer in this category (MS-65 DMPL finest).



11130

1878 7 Tailfeathers. Reverse of 1879. MS-66+ (NGC). Intensely lustrous with a delightful satin texture to the finish, both sides are fully brilliant throughout. The strike is razor sharp, and the surfaces are expectably smooth for the assigned grade. The scarcer and more conditionally challenging of the two major hub varieties that comprise the circulation strike 1878 Morgan dollar, the 7 Tailfeathers, Reverse of 1879 is nothing short of rare in the finest Mint State grades. Indeed, this premium quality MS-66+ numbers among the finest known to NGC.

PCGS# 7076. NGC ID: 253L.

NGC Census: 4; 2 finer in this category (both MS-67).



11131

1878-CC Morgan. MS-66 (NGC). Scarce and desirable premium Gem Mint State quality for this historic CC-Mint Morgan dollar issue. Fully struck and virtually brilliant with blazing mint luster.

PCGS# 7080. NGC ID: 253M.



11132

1878-CC Morgan. MS-65+ PL (NGC). A beautiful piece, fully Gem in quality with untuned surfaces that allow ready appreciation of mirrored fields and frosty motifs. Prooflike examples of this first year Carson City Mint Morgan dollar issue are surprisingly rare above the basal MS-65 numeric grade level. This one will surely catch the eye of astute Morgan dollar enthusiasts.

PCGS# 7081. NGC ID: 253M.

NGC Census: 6; 15 finer in this category (MS-67 PL finest).



11133

1878-CC Morgan. MS-65+ (PCGS). Hard, satiny mint luster flows over surfaces that are brilliant apart from wisps of pale golden iridescence that flash into view as the coin dips into a light. Fully struck, typical of the issue, with desirable premium Gem Mint State preservation.

PCGS# 7080. NGC ID: 253M.



11134

1878-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-65 (NGC). Razor sharp striking detail and intense mint luster greet the viewer from both sides of this lovely Gem. Otherwise brilliant, a blush of pale golden iridescence graces the upper left reverse periphery.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518845. BASE PCGS# 7080. NGC ID: 253M.



11135

1878-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-65 (NGC). Blazing silver-white surfaces boast full satin luster throughout and razor sharp striking detail in virtually all areas.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518845. BASE PCGS# 7080. NGC ID: 253M.



11136

1878-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-65 (NGC). Brilliant surfaces exhibit full mint luster, the fields subtly reflective when viewed with the aid of direct lighting. Both sides are sharply to fully struck with an uncommonly smooth appearance overall. Here is a conditionally scarce Gem Mint State example of this popular first year Carson City Mint Morgan silver dollar issue, made even more desirable by its encapsulation in an original GSA holder.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518845. BASE PCGS# 7080. NGC ID: 253M.



11137

1878-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-65 (NGC). An untuned example with satiny, fully struck devices set atop semi-reflective fields. Our multiple offerings in this sale notwithstanding, the first year 1878-CC is one of the scarcer Carson City Mint Morgan dollars in an original GSA holder, only 2.70% of the original mintage (or 60,993 coins) dispersed through the agency's various sales from 1972 to 1980.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518845. BASE PCGS# 7080. NGC ID: 253M.



11138

1878-CC Morgan. VAM-11. Top 100 Variety. Lines in Wing. MS-64 DPL (NGC). Reddish-gold rim toning rings both sides of this otherwise brilliant example. The strike is full throughout, and the DMPL finish offers bold cameo-like contrast between the fields and devices. The wing lines are from heavy die file marks. This variety, although readily obtainable in non-PL grades up through MS-64, is very rare in all grades within the certified DMPL/DPL category.

PCGS# 40438. BASE PCGS# 97081. NGC ID: 253M.

NGC Census (VAM-11 attribution only): 8; 0 finer in this category. The corresponding PCGS Population is 4/4 (MS-65 DMPL finest).



11139

1878-CC Morgan. MS-63 DMPL (PCGS). CAC. OGH. Fully struck and virtually brilliant, this lovely example also boasts strong field to device contrast. A small area of soft russet color is noted at the upper right portion of the obverse. This first-year Carson City issue is somewhat elusive in the DMPL designation, as offered here.

PCGS# 97081. NGC ID: 253M.

Choice Mint State 1879-CC Capped Die Dollar An Underappreciated Variety



11140

1879-CC VAM-3. Top 100 Variety. Capped Die. MS-64 (PCGS). CAC. Beautiful mint frost flows over both sides of this very well preserved, visually appealing example. Lightly toned in pinkish-silver, and visually stunning, this is an outstanding example of both the issue and variety. It is sure to appeal to astute Morgan dollar VAM collectors.

Largely known as the Capped Die, the 1879-CC Large CC Over Small CC variety is actually an overmintmark. The reverse die was first affixed with the small CC as used in the production of the 1878-CC Morgan dollar. This small CC was later partially

effaced and a larger CC was entered in its place. Still later, the die acquired a considerable amount of rust in the mintmark area, and all known 1879-CC Capped Die Morgans display the effects around the CC. Since this variety has also been described as the Broken CC, the 1879-CC Capped Die has garnered quite a bit of negative press over the years. This is unfortunate, since the Capped Die is actually scarcer than its Clear CC counterpart in all grades. Nowhere is this discrepancy more marked than at the higher Mint State levels of preservation. This is a noteworthy example perfect for an advanced Morgan dollar set.

PCGS# 7088. NGC ID: 253T.



11141

1879-CC Clear CC. MS-63 PL (NGC). Nicely cameoed and lightly toned, both sides of this lovely PL example also sport sharp to full striking detail throughout the design. The low mintage 1879-CC was produced to the extent of just 756,000 pieces, and it is generally regarded as the scarcest Carson City Mint silver dollar of the 1878 to 1885 era. Much of this issue's elusiveness in today's market can be explained by the paucity of examples distributed through the various GSA sales of 1972 to 1980. Only 4,123 coins were included in those sales, a total that represents just 0.50% of the mintage. This appealing Prooflike example is sure to catch the eye of advanced Morgan dollar and/or Carson City Mint enthusiasts.

PCGS# 7087. NGC ID: 253T.



11142

1879-CC VAM-3. Top 100 Variety. Capped Die. MS-63 (NGC). CAC. OH. If the PCGS/CAC MS-64 example in the preceding lot proves elusive, discerning bidders will also find much to admire in this similarly PQ MS-63 in a Generation 4.0 NGC holder. Both sides are lightly toned in peripheral sandy-apricot and powder blue iridescence that is bolder and more extensive on the reverse. Luster is full and softly frosted in texture, and the strike detail is sharp to full throughout. The Capped Die feature is plainly evident with the aid of a loupe, which makes this 1879-CC particularly desirable for astute Morgan dollar VAM variety collectors.

PCGS# 7088. NGC ID: 253T.



11143

1879-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. Clear CC. MS-62 (NGC). CAC. Scarce original GSA packaging for this semi-key Carson City Mint Morgan dollar issue. Frosty and lightly toned in silvery iridescence, both sides of this lovely BU example also sport bold to sharp striking detail throughout the design. The low mintage 1879-CC was produced to the extent of just 756,000 pieces, and it is generally regarded as the rarest Carson City Mint silver dollar of the 1878 to 1885 era. Much of this issue's elusiveness in today's market can be explained by the paucity of examples distributed through the various GSA sales of 1972 to 1980. Only 4,123 examples were included in those sales, a total that represents just 0.50% of the mintage.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518848. BASE PCGS# 7086. NGC ID: 253T.



11144

1879-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. Clear CC. MS-62 (NGC). With blushes of subtle champagne-apricot toning on the reverse, the obverse is fully untuned throughout. Both sides are sharply struck and lustrous with an appealing appearance in a BU Carson City Mint Morgan dollar.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518848. BASE PCGS# 7086. NGC ID: 253T.



11145

1879-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. Clear CC. MS-61 (NGC). Smartly impressed and bold, this BU example also delivers full mint luster through an overlay of delicate silvery tinting. A scarce issue in an original GSA holder, our multiple offerings in this sale notwithstanding.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518848. BASE PCGS# 7086. NGC ID: 253T.



11146

1879-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. Clear CC. MS-61 (NGC). Golden-tinged surfaces are lightly toned over full, intense, satin to softly frosted luster. Somewhat baggy on the obverse, but no more than one should expect for a CC-Mint Morgan dollar in this grade.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518848. BASE PCGS# 7086. NGC ID: 253T.



11147

1879-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. Clear CC. Mint State (Uncertified). Untoned silver-white surfaces allow full appreciation of blazing mint luster in a frosty to semi-reflective finish. Quite baggy on the obverse, an MS-60, yet desirable as a scarce 1879-CC Morgan dollar in its original GSA holder.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518848. BASE PCGS# 7086. NGC ID: 253T.



11148

1879-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. VAM-3. Top 100 Variety. Capped Die. Mint State (Uncertified). A very scarce find, the Capped Die is the more infrequently encountered of the two major varieties of the 1879-CC Morgan dollar in an original GSA holder, the issue itself elusive in this packaging (our multiple offerings in this sale notwithstanding). This is a handsome BU example with delicate golden iridescence on full, billowy mint luster. Well struck with bold to sharp detail throughout the design. A lengthy vertical scratch on the back of the GSA holder interferes with the coin viewing area.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 533225. BASE PCGS# 7088. NGC ID: 253T.



11149

1879-CC VAM-3. Top 100 Variety. Capped Die. EF-45 (ANACS). OH. Pleasingly toned in medium and golden-gray, this lightly circulated example reveals plenty of softly frosted luster as the surfaces dip into a light. Bold Choice EF quality for this scarce, underappreciated VAM number of the semi-key date 1879-CC silver dollar.

PCGS# 133869. BASE PCGS# 7088. NGC ID: 253T.



11150

1879-S MS-67+ (PCGS). CAC. Crescents and blushes of the most vivid and varied colors gracing both sides are sure to endear this beautiful coin to Morgan dollar toning enthusiasts. Worthy of the strongest bids, and certain to sell for a nice premium.

PCGS# 7092. NGC ID: 253X.



11151

1879-S MS-67+ (NGC). CAC. A crescent of lovely lilac-blue and orange-copper iridescence lines the left obverse periphery of this otherwise brilliant Superb Gem. Really a nice piece, as sharply struck, lustrous and expertly preserved as one would expect for an 1879-S Morgan dollar in this grade.

PCGS# 7092. NGC ID: 253X.



11152

1879-S MS-66 DMPL (PCGS). As one of the more frequently encountered Morgan dollars with a prooflike finish, the 1879-S is an outstanding candidate for inclusion in a high quality type set. This is a striking upper end Gem with mirrored fields supporting frosty, smartly impressed motifs. Untoned apart from a tinge of pale silver on the reverse, the surfaces are uncommonly smooth and well preserved for a DMPL Morgan dollar.

PCGS# 97093. NGC ID: 253X.

PCGS Population: 64; 14 finer in this category (MS-67 DMPL finest).



11153

1880/79-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. VAM-4. Top 100 Variety. Reverse of 1878. MS-64 (NGC). Blushes of pretty golden-apricot iridescence drift over smooth, billowy, satin mint luster. This is a sharply struck and nicely preserved Choice Uncirculated example of a popular CC-Mint VAM variety.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518851. BASE PCGS# 7108. NGC ID: 2542.



11154

1880-CC VAM-5. Top 100 Variety. 8/High 7. MS-66 (NGC). Beautiful premium Gem surfaces are otherwise frosty in finish, yet possessed of decided semi-prooflike qualities in the fields. Sharply defined and carefully preserved overall. The 8/High 7 variety is not noted on the NGC insert.

PCGS# 7102. NGC ID: 2542.



11155

1880-CC VAM-6. Top 100 Variety. 8/Low 7. MS-65 PL (PCGS). Fully struck and richly frosted in finish, the devices contrast boldly with shimmering reflectivity in the fields. The entire package is untuned with nicely composed, highly desirable Gem Mint State quality.

PCGS# 7105. NGC ID: 2542.

PCGS Population: 30; 10 finer in this category (MS-66+ PL finest).



11156

1880-CC VAM-6. Top 100 Variety. 8/Low 7. MS-65 (PCGS). Bountiful mint luster shines forth powerfully from brilliant frosty-white surfaces. A sharp and nicely preserved Gem for this popular overdate VAM variety in the CC-Mint Morgan dollar series.

PCGS# 7104. NGC ID: 2542.



11157

1880-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-65 (NGC). A sharply struck, intensely lustrous Gem with flashy mint brilliance remaining to both sides.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518851. BASE PCGS# 7100. NGC ID: 2542.



11158

1880-S MS-67+ (PCGS). CAC. Sweeping crescents of pale, lightly speckled, multicolored bag toning enhance the obverse of this bright and intensely lustrous Superb Gem. Minimally toned on the reverse, and sharply struck overall, this is a gorgeous 1880-S that will appeal to Morgan dollar toning enthusiasts.

PCGS# 7118. NGC ID: 2544.



11159

1881-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-66+ (NGC). CAC. Brilliant surfaces are fully struck, with intense mint luster in a smooth satin texture. Both sides are exceptionally well preserved and virtually pristine during in hand viewing. The 1881-CC boasts the second lowest mintage of all of the Morgan dollar issues struck at the Carson City Mint. Produced to a quantity of just 296,000 pieces, this mintage was considerably scander than those of the more famous 1889-CC and 1879-CC issues. However, few 1881-CC dollars reached circulation, with most being distributed throughout the 20th century in Treasury Department releases and the GSA sales of the 1970s. While Mint State examples are readily available, as such, most of these are confined to grades of MS-66 and below by bag marks and other minor blemishes. Upper end Gems like the present are scarce and eagerly sought. It is an important coin for both Carson City specialists and advanced collectors of the Morgan dollar series.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518863. BASE PCGS# 7126. NGC ID: 2547.



11160

1881-CC MS-66 PL (PCGS). Reflective fields support sharp, frosty motifs on both sides of this elegant Prooflike Morgan. Both sides are untuned and sport a pronounced cameo-like appearance. From a mintage of just 296,000 pieces, considerably less than the totals achieved for the more famous 1889-CC and 1879-CC issues. However, few 1881-CC dollars reached circulation, with most being distributed throughout the 20th century in Treasury Department releases and, especially, the GSA sales of the 1970s. While Mint State examples are readily available, most are in grades of MS-65 and below due to bag marks and other minor blemishes. Upper end Prooflike Gems like the present are scarce, highlighting the significance of this offering for quality-conscious collectors.

PCGS# 7127. NGC ID: 2547.

PCGS Population: 33; 7 finer in this category (Proof-67 PL finest).



11161

1881-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-66 (NGC). Blazing brilliant-white surfaces with a sharp strike and intense mint luster.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518863. BASE PCGS# 7126. NGC ID: 2547.

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11162

1881-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-66 (NGC). Fully struck, fully lustrous and fully untuned, this bright and blazing Gem will prove irresistible to Carson City Mint Morgan dollar enthusiasts.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518863. BASE PCGS# 7126. NGC ID: 2547.



11163

1881-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-66 (NGC). Wisps of light golden toning are more prevalent on the obverse of this boldly lustrous, sharply struck premium Gem.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518863. BASE PCGS# 7126. NGC ID: 2547.



11164

1881-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-66 (NGC). Crisply impressed and predominantly brilliant, there is just a hint of golden-orange iridescence engaging the upper left reverse border.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518863. BASE PCGS# 7162. NGC ID: 2547.



11167

1881-CC MS-65 DMPL (PCGS). A fully struck, boldly cameoed Gem with brilliant surfaces and strong eye appeal. Always a popular issue, the combination of a limited mintage and the distinct CC mintmark has long proved irresistible to collectors.

PCGS# 97127. NGC ID: 2547.



11165

1881-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-66 (NGC). Billowy mint luster is free of both toning and significant marks. This is an attractive upper end Gem, and one that is also fully struck throughout the design.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518863. BASE PCGS# 7126. NGC ID: 2547.



11168

1881-CC MS-65 DMPL (PCGS). This lovely DMPL Gem is fully struck with the lightest silvery tinting to otherwise brilliant-looking surfaces. The fields are deeply mirrored and support thickly frosted devices.

PCGS# 97127. NGC ID: 2547.



11166

1881-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-65+ PL (NGC). Glassy fields support fully struck, frosty motifs on both sides of this brilliant and beautiful Gem.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518864. BASE PCGS# 7127. NGC ID: 2547.

NGC Census (original GSA holder only): 6; 7 finer in this category (MS-66+ PL finest).



11169

1881-CC MS-65 DMPL (PCGS). Mirrored fields contrast frosty design elements on both sides of this bright, brilliant, deeply prooflike Gem. Popular low mintage CC-Mint Morgan dollar issue!

PCGS# 97127. NGC ID: 2547.



11170

1881-S MS-68 (PCGS). A dazzling Ultra Gem to represent America's favorite silver dollar series, this 1881-S is fully struck with intense mint luster. Brilliant and virtually pristine.

PCGS# 7130. NGC ID: 2549.



11173

1882-CC MS-66 (PCGS). Lustrous satin-white surfaces are free of both toning and distracting bag marks. A sharp and attractive premium Gem from one of the quintessential type issues in the Carson City Mint Morgan dollar series.

PCGS# 7134. NGC ID: 254B.



11171

1881-S MS-67+ (PCGS). CAC. A bag-toned beauty whose obverse is dressed in blended crescents of sea-green, salmon-pink, orange-gold, powder blue and pinkish-apricot iridescence. Full striking detail, bountiful luster, and exceptional surface preservation further enhance this coin's awesome desirability.

PCGS# 7130. NGC ID: 2549.



11174

1882-CC MS-65 (PCGS). CMQ. A satiny and sharply struck Gem further enhanced by a crescent of vivid multicolored bag toning at right obverse. Exceptionally pretty in a Mint State example of this popular CC-Mint Morgan dollar issue.

PCGS# 7134. NGC ID: 2574.



11172

1881-S MS-66 (PCGS). CMQ-X. Intensely vivid multicolored bag toning adorns two-thirds of the obverse. Otherwise brilliant, this fully struck and highly lustrous Gem is worthy of the strongest bids for eye appeal.

PCGS# 7130. NGC ID: 2549.



11175

1882-S MS-67+ (NGC). CAC. This frosty and intensely lustrous Superb Gem is further enhanced by vivid multicolored bag toning. The colors are confined to the obverse, the reverse remaining brilliant, while both sides are expectably full in strike for this popular early San Francisco Mint Morgan dollar issue.

PCGS# 7140. NGC ID: 254F.



11176

1883-CC MS-66 DMPL (PCGS). Captivating premium Gem surfaces are not only impressively smooth in hand, but they also deliver strong contrast between frosty devices and mirrored fields. A brilliant and beautiful CC-Mint Morgan dollar that is sure to find many eager buyers among discerning bidders.

PCGS# 97145. NGC ID: 254H.



11179

1884-CC MS-66 DMPL (PCGS). Bold visual appeal with intense reflective fields and frosty devices. Splendid quality with no significant handling marks or detracting toning spots. This issue, plentiful in an absolute sense, is scarce with the degree of contrast and premium Gem Mint State preservation offered here.

PCGS# 97153. NGC ID: 254M.



11177

1883-CC MS-66 DMPL (PCGS). Glassy fields support frosty, smartly impressed design elements. Both sides are free of both toning and detracting marks, a gorgeous upper end Gem for the collector of DMPL Morgan dollars.

PCGS# 97145. NGC ID: 254H.



11180

1884-CC MS-66 DPL (NGC). A fully untoned, fully struck example that also offers decided prooflike reflective in the fields. This is a pretty coin, and also a conditionally scarce one in an NGC MS-66 DPL holder.

PCGS# 97153. NGC ID: 254M.

NGC Census: 66; 13 finer in this category (MS-67 ★ DPL finest).



11178

1883-CC MS-66 DPL (NGC). Captivating premium Gem surfaces are untuned with decided reflective qualities in the fields. The devices are fully struck and nicely frosted, while all areas are expectably well preserved for the assigned numeric grade. Very nice.

PCGS# 97145. NGC ID: 254H.

NGC Census: 56; 21 finer in this category (MS-67 DPL finest).



11181

1884-CC MS-66 (PCGS). Brilliant and intensely lustrous with decided semi-reflective qualities in the fields enhancing otherwise frosty surfaces.

PCGS# 7152. NGC ID: 254M.



11182

1884-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-66 (NGC). CAC. Intensely lustrous satin-white surfaces with decided semi-reflective tendencies in the fields. With a full strike and outstanding eye appeal, the strongest bids are in order for this PQ Gem Mint State example.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518872. BASE PCGS# 7152. NGC ID: 254M.



11183

1884-CC MS-65+ DPL (NGC). Sharp and frosty devices appear to float atop deep pools of reflectivity in the fields. Both sides are brilliant to allow ready appreciation of the strong prooflike finish.

PCGS# 97153. NGC ID: 254M.



11184

1884-O MS-67 (NGC). An icy white beauty with smartly impressed devices, intensely brilliant frosty luster, and silky smooth surfaces. Very scarce so fine, this issue is rare any finer.

PCGS# 7154. NGC ID: 254N.



11185

1884-O MS-66 DMPL (PCGS). CAC. Virtually brilliant surfaces display bold cameo contrast between reflective fields and frosty design elements. The silver dollar is the only denomination produced at the New Orleans Mint in 1884, the mintage amounting to 9,730,000 coins. Although some Mint-sealed bags were paid out from government vaults in earlier decades, most Uncirculated coins in today's market emerged from storage in the Philadelphia Mint beginning in October 1962. Some 10 million examples of the 1883-O, 1884-O and 1885-O were released at that time, and all three issues have been easily available in Mint State ever since. On the other hand, few prooflike examples of the 1884-O are as smooth and attractive as this amazing Gem. An impressive coin that has tremendous appeal for collectors of high grade DMPL Morgan dollars.

PCGS# 97155. NGC ID: 254N.

PCGS Population: 63; 14 finer in this category (MS-68 DMPL finest).

CAC Stickered Population: 17; 0.

Popular Low Mintage 1885-CC Morgan Dollar

Scarce Superb Gem Mint State



11186

1885-CC MS-67 (PCGS). This outstanding Superb Gem Morgan dollar is fully struck with brilliant, highly lustrous surfaces. We are pleased to be offering multiple exceptionally high grade Morgan dollars in this sale, all of which are sure to see spirited bidding.

An extremely popular issue with the third lowest mintage among circulation strike Morgan dollars, the 1885-CC was produced to the extent of just 228,000 pieces. A sizable percentage of

the original mintage (148,285 coins, or 64.9%) was distributed through the various GSA sales of 1972 to 1980, however, which has made Mint State examples readily obtainable in today's market. Even so, this issue is rare above the MS-66 grade level. At PCGS MS-67, that offered here is among the finest certified survivors. It is a serious find for collectors assembling an advanced set of Carson City Mint coinage or Morgan silver dollars.

PCGS# 7160. NGC ID: 254S.

Extraordinary Gem Deep Mirror Prooflike 1885-CC S\$1



11187

1885-CC MS-66 DMPL (PCGS). A gorgeous coin that really needs to be seen to be fully appreciated. The surfaces are untuned and allow ready appreciation of a strongly cameoed finish. The fields are watery and reflective and support satiny, fully impressed motifs. Exceptionally smooth for a CC-Mint Morgan dollar, especially one with such delicate fields.

Of this popular low mintage issue Wayne Miller writes in his *Morgan and Peace Dollar Textbook*:

The 1885-CC is available in very deep cameo prooflike, with frosty devices. Such specimens are beautiful and always command a premium especially when minimally abraded.

A fitting description of the condition rarity PCGS MS-66 DMPL example offered here. Watch this one go!

PCGS# 97161. NGC ID: 254S.

PCGS Population; 50; 13 finer in this category (MS-67 DMPL finest).

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Glorious Gem DMPL 1885-CC Morgan Dollar



11188

1885-CC MS-66 DMPL (PCGS). A brilliant, beautiful coin with highly reflective fields contrasting satiny devices. Both sides are sharply struck and uncommonly smooth for a deep mirror prooflike example of this issue. Our multiple offerings for such example in this sale notwithstanding, the 1885-CC is a major strike and condition rarity in certified MS-66 DMPL. This one is lovely and will certainly see spirited bidding.

Writing in his 1993 silver and trade dollar *Encyclopedia*, Q. David Bowers breaks down the 228,000-piece mintage for this issue as:

-200,000 pieces struck in January and February 1885

-28,000 pieces struck in August 1885

The Mint closed for coinage (temporarily, as it turned out) in November 1885. Bowers relates that, since the August issue was reported in the mint director's report for fiscal year 1886, it gave rise to the theory of yesteryear that there was an "1886-CC" Morgan dollar. An interesting, if seemingly long forgotten story of the type that makes numismatics such an interesting and rewarding pursuit for researchers.

PCGS# 97161. NGC ID: 254S.

PCGS Population: 50; 13 finer in this category (MS-67 DMPL finest).



11189

1885-CC MS-66 PL (PCGS). From a popular low mintage entry in the CC-Mint Morgan dollar series comes this scarce Gem Prooflike example. It is fully struck with brilliant surfaces that allow ready appreciation of glassy fields. Very pretty.

PCGS# 7161. NGC ID: 254S.

PCGS Population: 54; 13 finer in this category (MS-67 PL finest).



11190

1885-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-66 (NGC). A virtually pristine coin with exceptional quality and eye appeal in a GSA 1885-CC dollar. Brilliant satin-white surfaces are highly lustrous with a silky smooth complexion. Fully struck, as befits the issue, and simply a delight to behold. An extremely popular issue with the third lowest mintage among circulation strike Morgan dollars, the 1885-CC was produced to the extent of just 228,000 pieces. A sizable percentage of the mintage (148,285 coins, or 64.9%) was distributed through the various GSA sales, however, which fact has made Mint State examples readily obtainable in today's market. On the other hand, relatively few survivors that are still housed in their original GSA holders have been certified at or above the MS-66 level. This is certainly a notable condition rarity that would serve as a highlight in a specialized collection. Several internal cracks along the left side of the GSA holder are noted for accuracy.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518875. BASE PCGS# 7160. NGC ID: 254S.



11191

1885-CC MS-65+ DMPL (PCGS). Outstanding field to device contrast is fully appreciable on both sides of this bright and brilliant Gem. A sharp strike and above average surface preservation add to the appeal of this lovely Deep Mirror Prooflike 1885-CC.

PCGS# 97161. NGC ID: 254S.

PCGS Population: 21; 63 finer in this category (MS-67+ DMPL finest).



11192

1885-CC MS-65 (PCGS). From a popular low mintage CC-Mint Morgan dollar issue comes this smartly impressed, fully untuned, highly lustrous Gem.

PCGS# 7160. NGC ID: 254S.



11193

1887 MS-67 PL (PCGS). A lovely brilliant prooflike example, the minimal field to device contrast in keeping with PL-designated examples of this Philadelphia Mint issue. The surfaces are untuned and offer razor sharp striking detail throughout. While the 1887 is plentiful in this category by Morgan dollar standards, precious few examples are as expertly preserved as this top-of-the-pop Superb Gem.

PCGS# 7173. NGC ID: 254Y.

PCGS Population: 9; 0 finer in this category.



11194

1887/6-O VAM-3. Top 100 Variety. MS-64 (PCGS). The final overdate silver dollar from the New Orleans Mint, the 1887/6-O was not discovered until 1972. Mint State survivors are scarce by the standards of the Morgan series, and Gems are so rare as to be virtually noncollectable. This brilliant and lustrous Choice MS-64, therefore, represents a fleeting bidding opportunity not to be missed.

PCGS# 7178. NGC ID: 2552.



11195

1888-S MS-64 (NGC). Satiny mint luster adorns the surfaces, brilliantly highlighting a sharply executed strike. The 1888-S is one of the scarcer Morgan dollars of its era, due primarily to a relatively limited mintage of 657,000 pieces. For reasons that have been lost to history, silver dollar production at the San Francisco Mint remained low during to mid to late 1880s as the Philadelphia and New Orleans mints accounted for the vast majority of examples struck. Survivors have long been popular with numismatists, and this is an endearing Choice Mint State piece in NGC MS-64.

PCGS# 7186. NGC ID: 2557.



11196

1889-CC Fine-15 (NGC). Boldly and evenly toned in dove gray with all major design elements bold. This is the scarcest CC-Mint Morgan dollar issue, survivors eagerly sought by collectors in all grades.

PCGS# 7190, NGC ID: 2559.



11197

1890-CC MS-65+ (PCGS). A satiny and highly lustrous example. Brilliant untuned silver surfaces are uncommonly smooth, free from distracting marks of any kind, shape, or size. The strike is sharp with essentially full details in Liberty's hair and the eagle's breast feathers. Scarcer than the 2,309,041 mintage might otherwise suggest, and rare in Gem Mint State. This 1890-CC is a perfect fit for any high ranked Morgan dollar set.

PCGS# 7198, NGC ID: 255D.



11198

1890-CC MS-64 DMPL (PCGS). A bright white coin that shows strong reflectivity in the fields and billowy frost on the devices. The Deep Mirror Prooflike designation is very desirable, especially when found on coins in high grade, as the delicate mirror fields show marks with ease. Hence this lovely Choice Morgan dollar would be a fine acquisition for the date or Carson City Mint collector. Finer DMPL examples are indeed rare and bring multiples of the price expected for this near-Gem.

PCGS# 97199, NGC ID: 255D.



11199

1890-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-62 (NGC). Frosty surfaces are brilliant on the reverse, lightly toned in mottled sandy-gold iridescence on the obverse. Only 3,949 examples of the 1890-CC were distributed through the various GSA sales of 1972 to 1980, representing just 0.10% of the mintage of 2,309,041 pieces. A find for the specialist.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518878, BASE PCGS# 7198, NGC ID: 255D.



11200

1890-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-60 (NGC). Boldly to sharply struck with strong mint luster shining forth nicely from brilliant surfaces. Our multiple offerings for such pieces in this sale notwithstanding, the 1890-CC is one of the more challenging Carson City Mint Morgans to locate in an original GSA holder.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518878, BASE PCGS# 7198, NGC ID: 255D.



11201

1890-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. MS-60 (NGC). A minimally toned, strongly lustrous example at the BU grade level. The strike detail is sharp to full throughout.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518878, BASE PCGS# 7198, NGC ID: 255D.



11202

1890-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. Mint State (Uncertified). Silver-gray surfaces are sharply struck with nice, satiny mint luster that provides modest cartwheel visual effects.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 518878. NGC ID: 255D.



11203

1890-S MS-66+ (NGC). As with so many issues in the Morgan silver dollar series, the 1890-S is a major condition rarity in the finest Mint State grades, as here. An elegant brilliance on both sides shows off sensational premium Gem surfaces. Sharply struck on both sides with razor sharp details, this beautifully preserved example ranks among the top 11 pieces seen by NGC.

PCGS# 7202. NGC ID: 255F.

NGC Census: 9; 2 finer in this category (both MS-67).



11204

1891-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. VAM-3. Top 100 Variety. Spitting Eagle. MS-62 (NGC). An untoned, frosty white example with full striking detail to the design elements. One of the scarcest Carson City Morgan dollars in an original GSA holder, only 5,687 examples of the 1891-CC (0.30% of the mintage of 1,618,000 pieces) were distributed through the GSA sales of the 1970s. A find for the advanced collector.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 544108. BASE PCGS# 7206. NGC ID: 255H.



11205

1891-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. VAM-3. Top 100 Variety. Spitting Eagle. MS-61 (NGC). Brilliant surfaces are sharply struck with bountiful mint luster. A scarce find for the GSA Morgan dollar enthusiast.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 544108. BASE PCGS# 7206. NGC ID: 255H.



11206

1891-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. VAM-3. Top 100 Variety. Spitting Eagle. MS-61 (NGC). This boldly impressed and highly lustrous example makes a lovely impression at the BU grade level. A popular and readily attributable VAM variety, the 1891-CC Spitting Eagle gets its name from the tiny reverse die chip in the field before the eagle's open beak.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 544108. BASE PCGS# 7206. NGC ID: 255H.



11207

1891-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. VAM-3. Top 100 Variety. Spitting Eagle. MS-61 (NGC). Blazing silver-white surfaces are untuned with strong, satiny mint luster. Sharply struck.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 544108. BASE PCGS# 7206. NGC ID: 255H.



11208

1891-CC GSA Morgan Silver Dollar. VAM-3. Top 100 Variety. Spitting Eagle. MS-61 (NGC). Faintly reflective in the fields, especially on the obverse, this otherwise frosty example is fully untuned with a sharply executed strike.

The original box and card are not included.

PCGS# 544108. BASE PCGS# 7206. NGC ID: 255H.



11211

1892-CC AU-55 (PCGS). An untuned example with plenty of sharp striking detail and ample evidence of a frosty to semi-reflective finish. The 1892-CC is scarce in Mint State by Carson City Mint Morgan dollar standards, which fact explains the heightened demand enjoyed by attractive AU survivors, as here.

PCGS# 7214. NGC ID: 255M.



11209

1892-CC MS-64 PL (NGC). A lightly toned Prooflike silver dollar from the Carson City Mint, with appreciable reflectivity in the fields and richly frosted devices. Minimally marked, and a great representative for the grade. The 1892-CC is one of the more conditionally challenged issues in the mintmarked Morgan series, with relatively few coins extant that grade finer than MS-63, especially with a PL designation.

PCGS# 7215. NGC ID: 255M.

NGC Census: 54; 4 finer in this category (all MS-65 PL).



11212

1893 Proof-64 Cameo (PCGS). This peripherally toned beauty exhibits halos of reddish-gold with wisps of cobalt blue around brilliant centers. Both sides are strongly cameoed in finish with an exceptionally full strike for this often noticeably blunt issue. One of 792 Proofs of the date produced, survivors of which enjoy heightened demand among specialists given the low mintage, key date status of the circulation strike 1893 Morgan dollar.

PCGS# 87328. NGC ID: 27ZN.



11210

1892-CC MS-61 (NGC). Crisply impressed with razor sharp motifs, both sides also deliver bright mint luster in a frosty to semi-reflective finish. Virtually untuned and visually appealing at the assigned grade level. The 1892-CC is one of the scarcer, more conditionally challenging Carson City Mint Morgan dollar issues in Mint State.

PCGS# 7214. NGC ID: 255M.



11213

1893 Proof. Unc Details—Repaired (PCGS). One of 792 Proofs of the date produced, survivors of which enjoy heightened demand among specialists given the low mintage, key date status of the circulation strike 1893 Morgan dollar.

PCGS# 7328. NGC ID: 27ZN.



11214

1893-O MS-63 (PCGS). Warmly toned overall, otherwise mauve and olive-gray surfaces reveal hints of cobalt blue in isolated areas. A bit lightly struck in the centers, typical of the issue, yet with an uncommonly smooth-looking appearance for the assigned grade. The 1893-O is a classic issue in the Morgan dollar series. The mintage was small by Morgan dollar standards, as only 300,000 fell from the dies. Those that did not disappear into circulation (the average piece is very heavily circulated), later disappeared into the melting pots following passage of the Pittman Act in 1918. Choice Mint State pieces, as here, are scarce and the 1893-O is rare any finer.

PCGS# 7224. NGC ID: 255T.



11215

1894 MS-60 (PCGS). OGH Rattler. Only 110,000 1894 dollars were struck for circulation, and this one is quite nice for the assigned grade. Pearly silver luster highlights some pale golden-russet patina on the obverse. Generally well struck and uncommonly smooth in appearance given the MS-60 designation. The reverse, in fact, is fully Choice. Housed in a Generation 1.2 holder, this coin will delight any Morgan dollar collector.

PCGS# 7228. NGC ID: 255V.



11216

1894-S MS-64 (PCGS). A crisply impressed, razor sharp example of a key date entry in the San Francisco Mint Morgan dollar series. Brilliant, lustrous and a delight to behold. One very shallow milling mark is noted on Liberty's cheek, this possibly the grade-limiting factor.

PCGS# 7232. NGC ID: 255X.



11217

1895-O EF-45 (PCGS). One of just 450,000 coins struck, this is a highly collectible example of a key date Morgan dollar issue from the New Orleans Mint.

PCGS# 7236. NGC ID: 255Y.

Seldom Offered Gem Uncirculated 1896-S Dollar



11218

1896-S MS-65+ (PCGS). A richly and handsomely toned Gem to represent the conditionally challenging 1896-S Morgan dollar. The obverse is particularly vivid with a dense mottling of antique gold, cobalt blue, pinkish-rose and olive-gray patina. The lighter, more uniform reverse shows blushes of iridescent olive-blue peripheral color to dominant pinkish-apricot toning. A touch of softness in the centers is so minor as to be hardly worth mentioning, and there are no marks of consequence. Fully lustrous with superior quality and eye appeal.

While fairly common in circulated grades, the 1896-S is very rare in Mint State. Roughly half of the 5,000,000 pieces struck ended up in the melting pot thanks to the 1918 Pittman Act, and only the occasional bag or two has since turned up. Nowadays, with emphasis on premium quality coins, premium Gems such as this are eagerly sought for top of the line Morgan dollar collections.

PCGS# 7244. NGC ID: 2564.

PCGS Population: 9; 6 finer in this category (MS-69 finest).



11219

1897 Proof-63 (PCGS). OGH. A Choice Proof Morgan dollar certified graded ages ago by PCGS. Sharply struck devices are surrounded by a brilliant, watery reflection in the fields. Both sides have iridescent verdant and azure hues dusted on the surfaces. A very attractive example for the assigned grade and worthy of a strong bid. Proof mintage: 731 coins.

PCGS# 7332. NGC ID: 27ZV.

From our sale of the Springfield Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 5509.



11220

1897-S MS-65+ DPL (NGC). Flashy premium Gem surfaces are untuned and fully lustrous. The fields are deeply mirrored and highly reflective, forming a splendid backdrop to sharply impressed devices. The 1897-S is scarce with a Deep Mirror Prooflike finish, as here, and most such examples are heavily abraded and confined to lower grades through MS-64. A truly exceptional coin, and ideal for inclusion in even the finest collection of prooflike Morgan dollars.

PCGS# 97251. NGC ID: 2567.

NGC Census: 1; 5 finer in this category (all MS-66 DPL).



11221

1898-S VAM-4. Repunched Mintmark. MS-65 (NGC). Lustrous, minimally toned surfaces with a sharp strike and full Gem Mint State preservation. A popular, later S-Mint VAM variety that exhibits a noticeably repunched mintmark on the reverse.

PCGS# 7256. NGC ID: 256A.

From our sale of the Knohl Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 5512.



11222

1899 MS-67 (PCGS). Incredibly lively cartwheel luster and virtually impeccable silver surfaces make for an appealingly beautiful Superb Gem example. Nicely struck for the issue, with full details on both sides; Morgan's design details are crisp and inviting. From a limited mintage for the type of 330,000 pieces, and one of the finest seen by PCGS with only four examples certified finer.

PCGS# 7258. NGC ID: 256B.

PCGS Population: 46; 4 finer in this category (all MS-67+).



11223

1900 MS-66 PL (NGC). Strong uniform reflectivity in the fields on both sides in modest contrast to the sharp, frosty to semi-reflective devices. Brilliant and visually appealing, this is one of the very finest 1900 Morgan dollars certified in the PL category. Worth a close look and a strong bid.

PCGS# 7265. NGC ID: 256E.

NGC Census: 2; 0 finer in this category. The corresponding PCGS Population is 5/1 (MS-66+ PL finest).



11224

1900-O/CC Top 100 Variety. MS-65 (NGC). OH. A brilliant and frosty Gem Mint State example to represent this ever-popular overmintmark variety from the later Morgan dollar series. A hint of peripheral patina graces the upper obverse. Well struck, the O/CC is visible without minimal magnification.

PCGS# 7268. NGC ID: 256G.



11225

1900-O/CC Top 100 Variety. MS-64 (PCGS). OGH. Brightly lustrous with brilliant, satiny surfaces that deliver strong eye appeal. A sharp and inviting near-Gem to represent this popular Morgan dollar overmintmark variety.

PCGS# 7268. NGC ID: 256G.



11226

1900-S MS-65 (PCGS). Boldly to sharply struck with bountiful satin luster on brilliant surfaces.

PCGS# 7270. NGC ID: 256H.



11227

1901 MS-61 (NGC). The 1901 is the scarcest Philadelphia Mint Morgan dollar in Mint State. The number of coins struck, 6,962,000, conceals the true rarity of Uncirculated survivors. Thousands of examples seem to have been released into commercial channels at or near the time of striking. Even so, much of the mintage was likely retained in federal vaults until destroyed pursuant the terms of the 1918 Pittman Act. The present offering is a significant find in today's market.

PCGS# 7272. NGC ID: 256J.



11228

1901-O MS-67 (NGC). A softly frosted Superb Gem of the finest order. Briskly moving cartwheel luster enhances the brilliant surfaces of this undeniably beautiful example. Sharply struck with crisp definition from the rims to the centers. Widely represented in the Treasury Department silver dollar releases of 1962 to 1964, as well as in early government distributions, the 1901-O is one of the most plentiful late date Morgan dollars in Mint State. When it comes to Superb Gems, however, the term "plentiful" has no place in any discussion. Such coins remain rare from a condition standpoint and enjoy strong demand among high grade type and date collectors.

PCGS# 7274. NGC ID: 256K.

NGC Census: 50; 5 finer in this category (all MS-67+).



11229

1903 MS-67 (PCGS). Sharply struck with intense mint luster, this completely untoned example is far finer than the typically offered survivor of this otherwise readily obtainable Morgan dollar issue. Outstanding!

PCGS# 7284. NGC ID: 256R.



11230

1903-O MS-67 (PCGS). A fully brilliant and satiny Gem example of the date with a strong strike and exceptional eye appeal. The cartwheel luster is nothing short of spectacular. Exceptional for the grade. A century ago this coin would have been counted as one of the most fantastic Morgan dollars in existence. For decades the 1903-O was known only in circulated grades with but few exceptions. A VF-20 coin 60 years ago was considered a remarkable example of the issue. Then, in the early 1960s, the Treasury hoard revealed a few bags of Mint State 1903-O Morgans and the rush was on. Those poor collectors who found themselves with circulated examples of the date worth up to \$1,500 in the *Red Book* now owned a relatively "common" coin in only average condition. With the advent of third party grading, however, it was soon learned that in Superb Gem Mint State the 1903-O remains a very scarce Morgan dollar.

PCGS# 7286. NGC ID: 256S.



11231

1904 MS-65+ (NGC). CAC. A premium Gem in all regards, both sides of this lovely coin are brilliant with strong mint luster. Sharply struck with a smooth and inviting appearance, we anticipate strong competition for this piece among advanced Morgan dollar enthusiasts. The 1904 is a conditionally challenging issue that is scarce in grades up to MS-65, and rare in finer Mint State grades.

PCGS# 7290. NGC ID: 256U.

NGC Census: 5; 9 finer in this category (MS-66+ finest).

Extraordinarily Rare DMPL 1921 Morgan Dollar



11232

1921 Morgan. MS-64 DMPL (PCGS). Offered is a legendary strike rarity for the otherwise readily obtainable 1921 Morgan dollar. The finish is remarkably reflective overall, both in the fields and over the design elements, although the latter display a tinge of mint frost that imparts very modest cameo-like contrast. This outstanding finish is readily appreciable in the absence of even the lightest toning, the surfaces bright, brilliant, and sparkling white. A minor planchet flaw in the left obverse field, off Liberty's chin, is as made and serves as a useful identifier for provenance purposes; there are none but a few wispy handling marks that do not detract. Fully struck with exceptional eye appeal.

Writing in his *Morgan and Peace Dollar Textbook*, Wayne Miller observes:

Despite the enormous mintage [of 44,690,000 circulation strikes], the 1921-P [sic] is somewhat scarce in prooflike condition.

A gross understatement when applied to DMPL examples. In the latter finish, as certified by PCGS, this final year Morgan dollar issue is a major rarity. We have not sold one through auction in any grade in more than 20 years, during which time numerous PL-designated examples passed through our sales. The fleeting nature of this offering for advanced collectors or DMPL Morgan dollars cannot be overstated.

PCGS# 97297. NGC ID: 256X.

PCGS Population: 7; with a single MS-65 DMPL finer in this category. PCGS reports only 19 grading events in its DMPL category.



11233

1921-S MS-66 (PCGS). A vivid orange-copper glow encircles softly colored silver-olive centers on both sides of this impressively struck example. The high production and survival rates may be deceiving, because in grades above MS-65 this issue becomes very scarce. With only 23 graded finer at PCGS, this is a choice opportunity to acquire an example of this challenging final year San Francisco Mint Morgan dollar issue.

PCGS# 7300. NGC ID: 256Z.



11234

1921 Peace. High Relief. MS-65+ (NGC). This richly original example exhibits mottled steel and copper-russet peripheral patina that is slightly more extensive on the reverse. Frosty and smooth in hand, emerging detail in the centers further confirms the conditionally scarce nature of this premium Gem High Relief Peace dollar.

PCGS# 7356. NGC ID: 2U4E.



11235

1921 Peace. High Relief. MS-64 (PCGS). A handsome near-Gem to represent this perennially popular High Relief Peace dollar issue. Frosty with a suitably bold strike for the type, the surfaces are enhanced by light rose-gray patina that is more widespread on the reverse.

PCGS# 7356. NGC ID: 2U4E.



11236

1921 Peace. High Relief. MS-64 (PCGS). Essentially brilliant surfaces boast an uncommonly sharp strike for this challenging High Relief Peace dollar issue. The centers are particularly noteworthy in this regard, with emerging to bold detail within Liberty's hair curls and the eagle's feathers.

PCGS# 7356. NGC ID: 2U4E.



11237

1922 MS-67 (PCGS). This fully struck example boasts the razor sharp detail for which many Philadelphia Mint Peace dollars are known. What sets it apart from the majority of Mint State survivors of the 1922 issue, however, is the smooth satin surfaces that border on pristine. Mostly brilliant - traces of attractive, irregular golden color are seen on each side - this is an impressive Superb Gem that is sure to please. None have been certified finer at PCGS.

PCGS# 7357. NGC ID: 257C.

PCGS Population: 59; 0 finer.



11238

1922-D MS-66+ (NGC). A fine speckling of iridescent rose-russet toning overlays the surfaces of this attractive piece. Lustrous throughout, both sides exhibit the sharp strike that would be expected for a Denver Mint silver dollar of this design. While the 1922-D is the most available Denver Mint issue of this type in terms of total number of Mint State coins known, most survivors are heavily abraded and grade MS-60 to MS-64. A find for the advanced collector that is sure to sell for a strong premium.

PCGS# 7358. NGC ID: 257D.

NGC Census: 53; 27 finer (MS-67+ ★ finest).



11239

1923 MS-67 (NGC). Whether a quality conscious Peace dollar specialist or high grade type collector, discerning numismatists are urged to pursue this offering to the utmost. This is truly a beautiful 1923 dollar, its surfaces exceptionally smooth for the type. Intensely lustrous, as well, with a full strike and just a blush of pale golden iridescence to otherwise brilliant surfaces. Exquisite!

PCGS# 7360. NGC ID: 257F.



11240

1924-S MS-64+ (PCGS). CAC. Sharply struck with a full endowment of frosty mint luster, this attractive near-Gem is lightly toned in a gentle mottling of sandy-rose and golden-russet. A key date issue in the Peace dollar series at all levels of preservation, the 1924-S has a relatively limited mintage of 1,728,000 pieces. With Gems particularly elusive (and costly) in today's market, this premium quality MS-64+ has much to offer the astute bidder.

PCGS# 7364. NGC ID: 257K.



11241

1925 MS-67 (NGC). Fully struck with bountiful satin to softly frosted luster, this beautiful example features full mint brilliance over both sides, appearing to have just been struck. Scarce in this grade, despite the fact that the 1925 is the most readily obtainable Peace dollar in Superb Gem Mint State.

PCGS# 7365. NGC ID: 257L.



11242

1925-S MS-64+ (NGC). An impressively bold, fully lustrous near-Gem to represent a conditionally challenged Peace dollar issue that is very difficult to obtain any finer. Fully original with a beautiful iridescent hue of pale gold evident on the obverse with persistence.

PCGS# 7366. NGC ID: 257M.

From our November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 9885.



11243

1927-S MS-64 (CACG). A smartly impressed, fully lustrous example with brilliant, satiny surfaces overall. This challenging San Francisco Mint Peace dollar issue is very scarce in Gem MS-65, the just-miss example offered here representing outstanding value for the astute collector.

PCGS# 7372. NGC ID: 257U.



11244

1934-S MS-63 (NGC). Attractive mint brilliance graces lustrous satin surfaces. The strike is impressively sharp for a San Francisco Mint Peace dollar, and the in hand appearance is pleasingly smooth. A desirable key date issue, the 1934-S is the rarest silver dollar of this design type in terms of total number of Mint State coins known.

PCGS# 7377. NGC ID: 257Z.

Ex Mysza Collection.



11245

1934-S MS-62 (PCGS). The key date to the Mint State Peace dollar series, the 1934-S has the lowest overall population of Uncirculated survivors for any issue of this type. This is a pleasing BU example with golden-gray surfaces and crescents of deeper patina at selected border areas. The strike is suitably bold by S-Mint Peace dollar standards, and most of the grade-defining marks are small in size and singularly inconspicuous to the unaided eye.

PCGS# 7377. NGC ID: 257Z.

TRADE DOLLARS



11246

1875-CC Type I/II. AU Details—Cleaned (PCGS). This is the most readily obtainable CC-Mint trade dollar, but the facility's popularity as part of Old West history means that examples in all grades enjoy strong demand among specialist collectors. This sharp AU survivor exhibits faint silver-lilac iridescence on bright, semi-reflective surfaces.

PCGS# 7038. NGC ID: 2535.



11247

1877 MS-64 (PCGS). Totally original olive-copper surfaces with blended multicolored iridescence that includes shades of steel-blue, salmon-pink and antique gold. A rich underlying mint luster captures the subtle variations in color and give this very Choice example a lovely look. Overall nicely defined and free of distracting marks, this 1877 trade dollar makes for a good representative for the type.

PCGS# 7044. NGC ID: 253C.



11248

1877-S MS-63 (NGC). Although a great success in Oriental commerce beginning with its introduction in 1873, the trade dollar suffered a setback in 1876 from which the denomination never recovered. In that year silver prices dropped to the point where a trade dollar contained only 91 cents worth of silver, a significant reduction from the \$1.02 bullion value of these coins at the series' debut. The federal government reacted quickly and, as one of its provisions, the Act of July 22, 1876, demonetized the trade dollar within the United States and limited its coinage for use in the export trade (the *raison d'être* for the denomination, anyhow). Circulation strike production continued apace, as a result, with the 1877-S even setting the mintage record for the series at 9,519,000 pieces. On February 22, 1878, however, Treasury Secretary John Sherman halted trade dollar coinage for commercial use. Brother of the famous Civil War general, Sherman was a foe of the trade dollar and, with the standard silver dollar re-authorized through the Bland-Allison Act of February 28, 1878, western mining interests were more than content that there was still a ready outlet for their precious metal. Thanks to its record mintage, as above, the 1877-S is one of the quintessential type candidates in this short-lived series. The Choice example offered here features mottled reddish-rose iridescence on highly lustrous, smartly impressed surfaces.

PCGS# 7046. NGC ID: 253E.

GOLD DOLLARS



11249

1849-O Winter-3. MS-64 (NGC). Although a fair number of these were struck - 215,000 in all - not many survived in high grades of Mint State. In fact, true Gems are virtually unobtainable while patience is required to find a Choice Uncirculated example this well preserved. Rich frosty mint luster and a sharp strike are evident. Nicely composed overall and an important first year of issue for this denomination.

PCGS# 7508. NGC ID: 25BE.



11250

1850-C Winter-1. AU-58 (NGC). Light green-gold with an essentially untuned appearance over each side. A modest amount of retained luster enlivens the recesses of the design elements of this scarce Charlotte Mint issue from the early days of the denomination. One of just 6,966 examples struck.

PCGS# 7510. NGC ID: 25BG.



11252

1853 MS-66 (NGC). Produced in prodigious quantities, slightly more than four million gold dollars were struck at the Philadelphia Mint in 1853, making for one of the most available issues of the entire denomination. Readily available in Mint State, the issue becomes challenging above the Gem level, with this MS-66 example numbering among the highest graded at NGC. A tiny jewel of a coin within striking range of Condition Census.

PCGS# 7521. NGC ID: 25BU.

NGC Census: 48; 18 finer (MS-67+ finest).



11251

1850-D Winter 2-C. AU-50 (PCGS). CAC. OGH. Ample satin luster remains to surfaces that are further enhanced by original color in a blend of pale olive and warmer orange-gold shades. The reverse is rotated approximately 20 degrees clockwise from normal coin alignment. Gold dollar production at the Dahlonega Mint fell off markedly in the second year of this series, a total of 8,382 coins struck for the 1850-D probably more accurately reflecting demand from local bullion depositors than the 21,588-piece mintage achieved for the 1849-D. The 1850-D is one of the rarer Dahlonega Mint gold dollars, especially in grades above EF. The second edition of Q. David Bowers' *Guide Book of Gold Dollars* (2011) notes, "True Mint State coins are so rare as to be virtually unobtainable." Doug Winter (2023) adds that the 1850-D "remains underrated and undervalued in all grades." Premium About Uncirculated examples such as this, while very scarce in their own right, represent the finest in quality that most advanced Southern gold enthusiasts can hope to obtain for this issue.

PCGS# 7511. NGC ID: 25BH.

CAC Stickered Population: 15 in all AU grades.

From Heritage's sale of the Ellijay Georgia Collection, January 2020 FUN Signature Auction, lot 5103; our sale of the Srotag Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 5576.



11253

1853-D Winter 5-G. AU-55 (PCGS). CAC. Vivid rose-orange and deep honey-gold features are uncommonly sharp by Dahlonega Mint standards. Frosty in texture and quite vibrant, this is a lovely example of an issue that is typically offered well worn, impaired, or both. Of the 6,583 gold dollars produced in Dahlonega in 1853, the typical grade today is apt to be VF to EF, "although About Uncirculated coins are seen now and then" according to the Bowers-Whitman gold dollar reference. It is thought that just 175 to 225 circulated examples of the date can be found today, a small population when the number of collectors is considered. At premium Choice AU the scarcity of the date increases significantly, and many will be the bidding paddles aloft when this pleasing specimen comes up for bids.

PCGS# 7523. NGC ID: 25BW.

CAC Stickered Population: 17 in all AU grades.

From Heritage's Long Beach Signature Auction of May-June 2012, lot 4730; our sale of the Srotag Collection, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 5580.

QUARTER EAGLES



11254

1839-O HM-1, Winter-1. Rarity-3. High Date, Wide Fraction. AU Details—Cleaned (PCGS). Sharp striking detail, appreciable frosty luster, and bright olive-gold color offset faint hairlines and a touch of glossiness to enhance the desirability of this more affordable example. The 1839-O is a numismatically significant issue with tremendous appeal for advanced gold enthusiasts. It is the first New Orleans Mint quarter eagle, the only one of the Classic Head design type, and the only one that displays the O mintmark on the obverse. The mintage is limited at 17,781 pieces, although its first year status explains an above average rate of survival for a Southern gold issue from the pre-Civil War era. Even so, the 1839-O is scarce in AU and, with so few examples certified as Mint State, this minimally circulated example will catch the eye of budget minded collectors.

PCGS# 7701. NGC ID: 25G7.



11255

1895 MS-64 (PCGS). CAC. The mintage of just 6,000 circulation strikes ensconces this as a rarity among later issues in the Liberty Head quarter eagle series. In Gem Mint State the population is thin, with the present coin in premium PCGS/CAC MS-64 representing excellent value for the astute gold collector.

PCGS# 7847. NGC ID: 25LK.

CAC Stickered Population: 13; 14.



11256

1905 MS-67 (PCGS). Expertly preserved with outstanding visual appeal, this vivid rose-gold example is equally well suited for high grade type and date purposes.

PCGS# 7857. NGC ID: 25LW.



11257

1925-D MS-65 (NGC). Sharply struck and fully lustrous Gem Mint State quality for this popular mintmarked type issue in the Indian quarter eagle series of 1908 to 1929. Vivid color in rose-orange with strong eye appeal.

PCGS# 7949. NGC ID: 289B.



11258

1926 MS-65+ (NGC). A fully struck, lustrous and vivid rose-gold Gem from this quintessential type issue in the circulation strike Indian quarter eagle series.

PCGS# 7950. NGC ID: 289C.

THREE-DOLLAR GOLD PIECE



11259

1888 MS-62 (NGC). The 1888 has long provided Mint State \$3 gold coins for collections. It is thought that about 350 to 450 examples of the date can be found in Mint State, attesting to the fact that many examples were set aside by contemporary dealers. This is a pleasing BU example with softly lustrous surfaces and iridescent pinkish-rose toning on warm orange-gold color.

PCGS# 8010. NGC ID: 25NB.

HALF EAGLES



11260

1834 Classic Head. HM-1. Rarity-3. Plain 4. AU-58 (PCGS). An intensely lustrous, frosty example further enhanced by vivid golden-olive color. Only a trace of light handling is noted on otherwise virtually Mint State surfaces. This lot includes an old collector tag for the coin on which is written, among other notes, "Treasury Dept. Verification" and "Red Book 1970 Unc \$200.00."

PCGS# 8171. NGC ID: 25RR.



11261

1834 Classic Head. HM-8. Rarity-4. Plain 4. VF-35 (PCGS). A pleasing example of the Classic Head half eagle type, showing even circulation and a natural olive-gold color.

PCGS# 8171. NGC ID: 25RR.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenae Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4001.



11262

1835 HM-2. Rarity-3. EF-45 (PCGS). Glints of honey-apricot peripheral color give way to dominant golden-honey. Moderately abraded, yet generally free of sizable or otherwise individually mentionable marks. Bold to sharp detail with a hint of luster in the protected areas.

PCGS# 8173. NGC ID: 25RV.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenae Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4002.



11263

1836 HM-7. Rarity-3. EF-40 (PCGS). Sharp detail at the assigned grade level. Both sides are dressed in an original light olive color with splashes of deeper orange in the protected areas of the design. After the first year 1834, the 1836 is the most readily obtainable half eagle of this type. Most survivors are well worn and a fair number are impaired. Finding choice, problem free examples is becoming increasingly difficult.

PCGS# 8174. NGC ID: 25RY.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenae Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4003.



11264

1843-O Small Letters. Winter-2. AU-58 (PCGS). This vivid bright olive-orange example is sharply struck in most areas with plenty of frosty luster remaining. The Small Letters is the first variety of half eagle struck in the New Orleans Mint during 1843. Its mintage is estimated at just 19,075 pieces, as opposed to 82,000 coins for the 1843-O Large Letters. Scarce to rare in all grades, the Small Letters commands the respect of Liberty Head and New Orleans Mint gold enthusiasts at all levels of preservation. Die State I.

PCGS# 8217. NGC ID: 25T5.

PCGS Population: 3; 6 finer (MS-65 finest).

Extraordinarily Rare Choice Mint State 1849 Half Eagle Intriguing Repunched Date Variety



11265

1849/49 Breen-6582, VP-001. Repunched Date. MS-63 (NGC). This is the finest 1849 half eagle that we have offered in at least 20 years. An undeniable Choice Mint State example, it delivers smooth, softly frosted luster and vivid deep honey-rose color. Sharply struck, as well, and uncommonly smooth during in-hand viewing for both the issue and the assigned grade.

With a high mintage (for the era) of 133,070 pieces, and as a product of the Philadelphia Mint, one might expect the 1849 to rank among the more readily obtainable pre-Civil War era issues in the Liberty Head half eagle series. Nothing could be farther from the truth, however, for as Jeff Garrett and Ron Guth (2008) report, “The 1849 half eagle is actually seen less often than some of the very popular branch-mint [sic] issues.” Of course, some of this discrepancy is caused by the stronger premiums attached to circulated examples of Charlotte and Dahlonega mint issues; in worn condition the 1849 Philadelphia Mint is often considered unworthy of third party certification and/or consignment to

auction. In Mint State, however, the status of the 1849 as an underrated condition rarity is undeniable. The present offering deserves the undivided attention of advanced gold collectors, for once this coin sells, it may be decades before another 1849 half eagle of comparable quality is offered for sale.

The interesting Breen-6582 Repunched Date variety of this issue was discovered in 1963 (per Walter Breen, in his 1988 *Encyclopedia*). It shows dramatic repunching to the final two digits in the date. Interestingly, three of the four MS-63s certified for the 1849 half eagle by NGC are examples of this variety, suggesting that a (very small) group from this die pair managed to escape both commercial use and melting, to survive as some of the finest examples of the issue.

PCGS# 8240. NGC ID: 25TV.

NGC Census (all varieties of the issue): 4; with a single MS-64 finer. Interestingly, three of the MS-63s are examples of the Repunched Date variety offered here. PCGS reports only a single 1849 half eagle in MS-63, and none finer.



11266

1856-D Winter 39-FF. VF-20 (PCGS). OGH Rattler. This piece retains an uncommon amount of frosty mint luster for the assigned grade. There is rub to the high points, especially on the obverse, but considerable sharpness remains. Pretty orange-gold color, as well, light hairlines and a curiously bright appearance suggest that the VF-20 assessment represents a net grade of a lightly cleaned coin on the part of PCGS. Still, this is a visually appealing piece and a desirable survivor of “one of the scarcest and most undervalued half eagles from [the Dahlonega Mint],” as observed by Doug Winter (2023).

PCGS# 8268. NGC ID: 25UX.

From our June 2022 Auction, lot 2106.



11267

1858-C Winter-1. EF-45 (PCGS). Here is a handsome 1858-C half eagle, displaying flashy mint frost and bright orange-honey color. The surfaces are uncommonly smooth for the grade with no sizeable marks to report. With a production figure of 38,856, the 1858-C half eagle is one of the more readily available half eagles from the Charlotte Mint. As a mainstay gold denomination and the largest produced at this North Carolina facility, virtually the entire issue experienced much use in circulation. Most are in lower to middle level circulated condition and are often scraped, heavily abraded, or otherwise damaged. For the advanced specialist in Southern gold, the chance to acquire an attractive example in certified Choice EF is quite rare indeed.

PCGS# 8277. NGC ID: 25V8.



11268

1880 MS-65 (NGC). From a mintage of 3,166,400 coins, which represents a quantum leap over the totals achieved by the Philadelphia Mint for circulation strike half eagle production from the 1862 through 1879 era. While the 1880 is readily obtainable in lower Mint State grades, however, it is very rare as a certified Gem. This frosty and sharply struck example also offers lovely color in vivid rose-gold.

PCGS# 8351. NGC ID: 25XA.

NGC Census: 28; 6 finer (MS-66 finest).

Condition Rarity 1882 Half Eagle



11269

1882 MS-66 (NGC). Warm golden-rose color blankets both sides and delivers strong eye appeal. This is a fully lustrous, sharply struck Gem with razor sharp detail from the rims to the centers.

Scarce even at the MS-64+ level, this otherwise readily obtainable 1880s half eagle issue is an extraordinary condition



rarity in premium Gem Mint State. This is the finest certified that we have offered in at least two decades, and an NGC MS-66 has not sold in any major numismatic auction since 2013. A fleeting offering, and an impressive coin that will please even the most discerning gold enthusiast.

PCGS# 8358. NGC ID: 25XD.

NGC Census: 3; 0 finer. The corresponding PCGS Population is similar at 2/0.



11270

1882-CC AU-55 (NGC). This light honey-wheat example retains overall bold striking detail and appreciable luster in a softly frosted texture. Unlike the previous year, 1882 proved to be quite productive at Carson City. A modest increase in bullion coming out of the Comstock combined with a full uninterrupted year of operation allowed the Mint to increase its output significantly. Striking quality improved, as well; the 82,817 coins produced for the 1882-CC half eagle were struck from a single pair of dies, a different story from just a decade earlier. Thanks in part to the more generous mintage figures, around 750 examples (per Rusty Goe, 2020) are believed to exist for present generations to appreciate. This Choice AU is a desirable example that will draw the attention of gold type collectors, Carson City Mint specialists, and aficionados of Western gold.

PCGS# 8359. NGC ID: 25XH.



11271

1891 MS-64 (PCGS). Luxurious softly frosted luster blends with light wheat-gold and pale pink colors on both sides of this outstanding near-Gem Mint State \$5 gold coin. Far fewer circulation strike 1891 half eagles were struck in the Philadelphia Mint - 61,360 pieces - than in Carson City, the only other coinage facility to produce this denomination that year. The 1891 is anything but plentiful in Mint State and has a far lower certified population than the 1891-CC. With no Gems graded by PCGS, this lovely MS-64 example would be difficult to improve upon when seeking an example of this scarce and underrated Philadelphia Mint issue.

PCGS# 8377. NGC ID: 25Y4.



11272

1891-CC MS-63 (PCGS). An endearing example of both the type and the issue, the desirable CC mintmark enhances this coin's considerable appeal. Satiny honey-apricot surfaces are originally and well preserved, fully worthy of the Choice Mint State rating from PCGS. Sharply struck with eye appeal to spare. Due to financial setbacks, the demand for gold specie from European countries increased markedly in 1891, and the Carson City Mint stepped up gold coin production. The facility's output of half eagles reached its peak in 1891 at 208,000 pieces, and for the second year in a row coinage of this denomination at the Carson City Mint outstripped that at the Philadelphia Mint. Many of these coins were exported, as intended. Repatriations from European vaults in recent decades have provided a windfall of Mint State examples. There are quite a few Choice coins in MS-63 and MS-64 extant, and the present example with its strong eye appeal will be just right for a world class numismatic cabinet.

PCGS# 8378. NGC ID: 25Y5.



11273

1892-CC MS-61 (PCGS). Vivid honey-apricot surfaces are sharply struck with full, frosty mint luster. The penultimate Carson City Mint half eagle, the 1892-CC is one of the more readily obtainable issues in this popular mintmarked gold series. It is much scarcer than the 1891-CC, however, especially in Mint State. This attractive PCGS MS-62 is sure to appeal to advanced Carson City Mint enthusiasts.

PCGS# 8380. NGC ID: 25Y7.



11274

1893-CC AU-55 (NGC). Sharply struck and with lively frosty to semi-reflective luster, this half eagle from the last year of coinage at Carson City will be just right for many bidders. Enough examples exist that it will be affordable, although one should expect strong competition.

PCGS# 8384. NGC ID: 25YB.



11275

1893-O Winter-1. MS-63+ (PCGS). A delightful half eagle with handsome honey-apricot surfaces. Well struck by New Orleans Mint standards, the luster is full with a softly frosted texture. Despite its status as the second most plentiful New Orleans Mint half eagle, the 1893-O is scarce in an absolute sense with a mintage of 110,000 coins. With survivors seldom encountered in grades below AU-50, it is likely that the issue did not circulate to any great extent but, rather, was exported in quantity. Indeed, repatriations from foreign bank hoards undoubtedly account for the majority of Mint State survivors, most of which grade no finer than MS-62. The 1893-O is rare at and above Choice Mint State, ensuring this example will serve with pride in an advanced Liberty Head half eagle collection.

PCGS# 8385. NGC ID: 25YC.

PCGS Population: 9; 2 finer (MS-64+ finest).



11276

1903-S MS-65 (PCGS). A sensational orange-gold Gem, this 1903-S is far finer than usual for the date. It exhibits frosty luster with bold design definition on both sides. Collectors seeking a single high quality example to represent this series typically gravitate to late date issues like the 1903-S for, generally speaking, they include most of the best produced and most carefully preserved Liberty Head \$5s. The currently offered piece is just such a coin. The softness of gold as a coinage metal and the manner in which these issues were handled means that most Mint State survivors of even overall plentiful issues are usually confined to lower grades through MS-64 due to abrasions. The present example is an exception and is sure to sell for a premium bid.

PCGS# 8408. NGC ID: 25Z3.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenae Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4078.



11277

1904 MS-65 (PCGS). A vivid golden-orange example with razor sharp design elements and outstanding mint luster. Despite a not overly generous mintage of 392,000 circulation strikes, the 1904 is a plentiful issue by Motto Liberty Head half eagle standards. Several thousand Mint State coins have survived but, as with virtually all classic U.S. Mint gold issues, the 1904 is a formidable condition rarity in the finest grades. The offered coin in premium Gem MS-65 will please even the most discerning gold enthusiast.

PCGS# 8409. NGC ID: 25Z4.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenae Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4079.



11278

1909 MS-64 (PCGS). Smartly impressed and frosty in texture, this lovely Choice example also displays vivid color in lovely honey-apricot. The 1909 is common enough to be considered a type coin in the Indian half eagle series, although astute bidders will recognize that it is much scarcer than its identically dated Denver Mint counterpart.

PCGS# 8513. NGC ID: 28DH.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Sussex Set, August 2024 Global Showcase Auction, lot 2051.



11279

1909 MS-64 (NGC). A desirable near-Gem type coin from the Indian half eagle series, especially for bidders who wish to avoid the truly common date 1909-D. Sharply struck and lustrous, both sides also sport lovely color in a bold, vivid, honey-rose hue.

PCGS# 8513. NGC ID: 28DH.



11280

1909 MS-63+ (PCGS). CAC. Lustrous and frosty with delightful color in rose-honey. Crisp striking detail further enhances already strong eye appeal for this desirable Choice Mint State Indian \$5.

PCGS# 8513. NGC ID: 28DH.

Highly Desired 1909-O Half Eagle



11281

1909-O MS-60 (PCGS). A technically and aesthetically superior example of this well known rarity among Indian half eagles. Quite nice for the assigned grade, with sharp definition and considerable remaining luster. The O mintmark is fully outlined and well rounded, readily appreciable. Warm honey-gold color envelops all natural surfaces, with splashes of dark gray patina that provide character and originality to this piece. The high points of the design are well preserved with no detectable wear when examined under a loupe.

From a mintage of 34,200 pieces struck during the final year of operations at the New Orleans Mint, this issue has always been considered a key date to the series. Its status as the only Indian half eagle struck at this branch mint has put perennially strong demand on survivors at all levels of preservation. Expect strong bidder competition for the present offering.

PCGS# 8515. NGC ID: 25ZK.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenae Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4091.



11282

1913 MS-64 (PCGS). Sharply struck with vivid golden-yellow color, both sides are further enhanced by frosty mint luster. A desirable Choice Mint State example of the conditionally challenged Indian half eagle series of 1908 to 1929.

PCGS# 8525. NGC ID: 28DT.

Rarely Offered Gem Mint State 1914-D Half Eagle



11283

1914-D MS-65 (PCGS). Soft satin to frosty luster mingles with vivid rose-gold color to provide outstanding eye appeal. The technical quality of this piece is no less impressive, both sides boldly struck and so well preserved as to rank among the finest examples of the issue known to PCGS. A premium Gem that will please even the most discerning collector.

A median rarity in the Indian half eagle series, the 1914-D is actually one of the more frequently encountered mintmarked issues of this type. The mintage is a respectable, if not overly generous 247,000 pieces, and enough have survived that locating

a lower grade Uncirculated coin in the MS-60 to MS-62 range should prove a relatively easy task. Any finer and the 1914-D develops into a notable condition rarity. This is the first Gem in PCGS MS-65 that we have offered in a decade, quite a statement given our distribution of the remarkable Fairmont Collection holdings in recent years. Clearly this is a fleeting opportunity worthy of the utmost attention from advanced 20th century gold collectors.

PCGS# 8528. NGC ID: 28DV.

PCGS Population: 18; 5 finer (MS-66+ finest).



11284

1914-S MS-62 (PCGS). CAC. An attractive honey-orange coin well a well executed strike that includes a bold S mintmark. Lustrous and frosty with attractive originality. As one of the rarest 20th century U.S. Mint gold issues of any denomination in MS-64 and higher grades, the 1914-S half eagle represents a significant find at all levels of Uncirculated preservation. This premium quality and aesthetically pleasing BU example represents outstanding value for astute gold enthusiasts. Sure to see spirited bidding.

PCGS# 8529. NGC ID: 28DW.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenee Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4105.



11285

1915-S MS-62 (PCGS). Lustrous honey-orange surfaces are boldly to sharply defined over the focal features. The peripheries shows signs of die fatigue, typical of the issue, but the S mintmark is fully outlined and readily appreciable. One of the leading condition rarities in the Indian half eagle series of 1908 to 1929, the 1915-S (just 164,000 pieces produced) is scarce to rare in all Mint State grades. With Choice and Gem-quality examples particularly elusive, this lovely MS-62 represents the finest realistically obtainable for most advanced gold enthusiasts.

PCGS# 8531. NGC ID: 25ZR.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenae Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4107.



11286

1916-S MS-63 (PCGS). A delightful pinkish-honey example with lovely mint luster and a generally sharp strike. The S mintmark, while devoid of finer detail, is fully outlined and distinct from the surrounding field area. Although several small hoards of Uncirculated coins entered the numismatic market from overseas beginning in the early to mid 1980s, the 1916-S remains elusive in grades above MS-63. The typical hoard coin, while invariably well struck, is heavily abraded with inferior luster quality. Additionally, not enough Mint State examples have been located to place the 1916-S among the more plentiful Indian half eagles. Accordingly this is one of the scarcer issues of its type in Mint State. With the technical quality and eye appeal offered here the 1916-S is rarer yet, a fact that is sure to result in strong competition for this lot.

PCGS# 8532. NGC ID: 28DY.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenae Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4108.

EAGLES



11287

1853 AU-58 (NGC). Warm honey-apricot surfaces are sharply struck with plenty of eye appeal. The 1853 has a respectable mintage for the type of 201,253 circulation strikes, and it is generally obtainable in circulated condition. Mint State coins are scarce in an absolute sense, as are premium Choice AUs. That offered here is fit for inclusion in an advanced gold cabinet.

PCGS# 8610. NGC ID: 263E.



11288

1862 AU-55 (NGC). Offered is a desirable example of this extremely popular, yet highly elusive Civil War era gold eagle. Sharply struck with frosty mint luster, both sides are enhanced by attractive color. Minimally circulated, and visually appealing, there is much to recommend this exceptional coin to advanced numismatists. As Union hopes for a quick victory in the Civil War were dashed with their defeat at the First Battle of Bull Run (a.k.a. First Manassas) in July 1861, Eastern banks suspended first gold and then silver specie payments. By early 1862, gold coins had effectively disappeared from circulation in the Eastern and Midwestern states, the yearly output of circulation strikes from the Philadelphia Mint also dropping off markedly as little bullion reached the facility for coinage. The 1862 has a modest mintage of 10,960 pieces, many examples of which were exported and eventually melted. When we further consider that most of the few survivors are well worn, the significance of the present offering should be obvious even to the casual observer. A coin that is sure to see spirited bidding at auction and achieve a strong realized price.

PCGS# 8635. NGC ID: 2649.

Eagerly Sought 1871-CC Eagle



11289

1871-CC AU-53 (NGC). A highly significant absolute and condition rarity from the early Carson City Mint eagle series. Evenly colored in a blend of warm honey-gold and more vivid deep orange patina, both sides retain appreciable remnants of frosty luster as the coin dips into a light. Striking detail is bold over most design elements. Quoting Rusty Goe's contributions to our presentation of the Battle Born 1871-CC eagle offered in our August 2012 ANA Auction:

Superintendent Henry F. Rice's success in deploying a bullion fund, which allowed him to pay depositors promptly, and in gaining approval for his mint to accept custom assaying and refining work, had increased business substantially. Bullion deposits soared to over \$5 million in 1871 compared to 1870's total of \$266,000. This meant the Carson Mint had received nearly half of the precious metals mined on the Comstock in 1871. During the Big Bonanza period from 1874 through 1878, Nevada's coin factory would consider it fortunate to receive one fifth of the Comstock's yield.

Still, with the huge increase in bullion deposits in 1871, coinage production in Carson City, while advancing substantially from 1870's output, remained sparse. The

Carson Mint turned out 4,225 eagles in the first half of the year and added 2,960 more in the second half. Some sources have reported that an additional 900 pieces were minted sometime between July and December; but I believe this has to do with fiscal-year versus calendar-year reporting.

The exact mintage is in doubt, therefore, with the *Guide Book* providing a figure of 8,085 pieces and Goe accepting a lower total of 7,185 coins that does not include the 900 examples referred to above. Regardless, the 1871-CC went the way of all early Carson City Mint gold issues, circulating extensively in the American West and suffering a high rate of attrition. In his outstanding 2020 reference *The Confident Carson City Coin Collector*, Rusty Goe asserts that only 100 to 120 coins are extant in all grades, and most of these are clustered at the VF level. Retaining unusually bold definition and pleasing surface quality, this noteworthy AU would make an impressive addition to an advanced gold cabinet.

PCGS# 8661. NGC ID: 264X.

NGC Census: 19; 22 finer, just three of which are Mint State (MS-62 finest).

From our sale the PentaMint™ Collection, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 3158.

Among the Finest Certified 1871-S Eagles Unknown in Mint State



11290

1871-S AU-55 (NGC). One of numerous gold coin offerings in our current sale that could very likely represent a once-in-a-lifetime bidding opportunity for the advanced Liberty Head eagle collector. This extraordinary 1871-S is appreciably lustrous with subtle semi-reflective qualities to an otherwise frosty finish. Handsome deep honey-orange color is seen throughout, along with wisps of lighter toning in iridescent pinkish-rose. Both sides sport a bold to sharp strike and possess strong eye appeal.

Relatively generous by the standards of the era, a mintage of 16,500 coins belies the true rarity of the 1871-S. Attrition through circulation was high and, like many San Francisco Mint eagles from the Civil War and Reconstruction eras, the 1871-S is unknown in Mint State. Of the 100 or so coins believed extant (per *PCGS CoinFacts*), well worn or impaired examples are the norm. As one of very few AU-55s certified, the offered coin is an extremely rare find that is sure to appeal to astute bidders.

PCGS# 8662. NGC ID: 264Y.

NGC Census: 11; 4 finer (all AU-58). There are also no Mint State examples listed at PCGS.

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Condition Rarity 1884-CC Eagle



11291

1884-CC AU-58 (PCGS). CAC. This phenomenal offering is for a richly original 1884-CC eagle, nearly Condition Census for the issue based on the AU-58 grade assigned by PCGS. It is a lovely coin - handsome honey-gold surfaces with overlying reddish-apricot toning, fully struck design elements, and virtually complete mint luster in a softly frosted texture. Attractive for both the issue and the assigned grade, and sure to sell for a strong premium.

The final CC-Mint ten struck prior to 1890, the 1884-CC has a mintage of 9,925 pieces and likely suffered attrition predominantly through domestic circulation in the American

West with limited numbers of coins (mostly worn) finding their way to Europe in later years. Repatriations and other newcomers to today's market tend to be in well circulated grades. The example offered here is a notable exception as it is very close to Mint State. It has come down to us today still fresh and original, and its offering in this sale represents a significant opportunity for the collector of condition rarity Carson City Mint gold coinage.

PCGS# 8704. NGC ID: 266B.

PCGS Population: 35; 14 finer (MS-63 finest).

CAC Stickered Population: 16; 6.

Superior 1891-CC \$10 Eagle



11292

1891-CC MS-63 (PCGS). CAC. As one of the finer certified examples of the perennially popular 1891-CC ten-dollar gold issue, this condition rarity PCGS/CAC MS-63 will hold tremendous appeal for advanced CC-Mint gold enthusiasts and mintmarked type collectors. Beautiful satin to softly frosted surfaces are also bathed in original color of vivid honey-rose. Razor sharp striking detail and an uncommonly smooth appearance enhance this coin's desirability.

103,732 eagles were struck in the penultimate year of the Carson City Mint's coining operations and, unlike for many issues in this

mintmarked gold series, thousands were exported to Europe. Repatriations beginning in the second half of the 20th century have swelled the Mint State population to upward of 2,300 coins (per Rusty Goe, 2020). Most of these grade no finer than MS-62, at which levels the 1891-CC is a mainstay of Mint State gold type sets and CC-Mint collections. Scarce in MS-63, higher grade pieces are formidable condition rarities. With coveted CAC approval, this coin is sure to have no difficulty finding its way into an advanced cabinet.

PCGS# 8720. NGC ID: 266U.

CAC Stickered Population: 37; 1.



11293

1901 MS-66 (PCGS). Exceptionally vivid surfaces exhibit blended rose-gold color and full, billowy mint luster. Sharply struck. While the 1901 is one of the most available issues of this type in Mint State, few examples are as smooth and attractive as this premium quality Gem. A find for quality conscious gold type and date collectors.

PCGS# 8747. NGC ID: 267P.

PCGS Population: 59; 12 finer (MS-67 finest).



11294

1901 MS-64 (PCGS). Swirling cartwheel visual effects and vivid pinkish-honey color greet the viewer from both sides. Several glints of carbon are noted for accuracy, but fewer marks are seen relative to the assigned grade. Fully struck and crisp.

PCGS# 8747. NGC ID: 267P.

Superb Mint State 1901-S Eagle



11295

1901-S MS-67 (NGC). A virtually pristine example that is seemingly earmarked for inclusion in a high quality gold type set. Both sides of this lovely coin are fully struck with razor sharp detail from the rims to the centers. Bathed in frosty mint luster and vivid golden-apricot color, to look upon this piece is to admire both its advanced technical quality and outstanding eye appeal. Among a relatively tiny group of Superb Gem

survivors from a sizeable mintage of more than 2.8 million coins, this Condition Census 1901-S ten is absolutely worthy of the assigned grade. One would be hard pressed to find a better Mint State example of the issue in the current market.

PCGS# 8749. NGC ID: 267S.

NGC Census: 27; 0 finer. The corresponding PCGS Population is even more limited at 6/0.



11296

1903 MS-64 (PCGS). Softly frosted in finish with a razor sharp strike, this lovely coin is further enhanced by original honey-gold color. Upon close observation under a loupe, as-made die polish lines are apparent, dressing this example in prooflike qualities and an early die state sharpness. A lower mintage (125,830 circulation strikes) 20th century Liberty Head eagle, the 1903 is actually relatively obtainable in today's market. Many examples have been located in foreign bank hoards and repatriated to the United States in recent decades. Even so, this issue remains rare in grades above the basal MS-64 level, the present near-Gem seemingly earmarked for inclusion in a high quality collection of this challenging classic gold series.

PCGS# 8752. NGC ID: 267V.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenae Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4182.



11297

1903-O Winter-1. AU-58 (PCGS). Smartly impressed with bountiful, bright satin luster and warm, original, golden-olive color. Though the 1903-O is the most plentiful New Orleans Mint eagle, the issue is scarce when compared to common Philadelphia and San Francisco Liberty Head issues from the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

PCGS# 8753. NGC ID: 267W.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenee Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4183.



11298

1904-O Winter-1. AU-58 (PCGS). CAC. An attractive eagle, displaying honey-orange color with a tinge of pale apricot iridescence. Both sides exhibit softly frosted luster that includes some satiny qualities. Sharply struck. This is the second most obtainable New Orleans Mint eagle, trailing only the 1903-O, and enough examples have been repatriated from foreign bank hoards that the collector should have no difficulty locating a nice Choice About Uncirculated or Uncirculated coin in grades of AU-55 through MS-62. Few such pieces, however, deliver the undeniable originality and strong eye appeal of this Fairmont Collection specimen. It represents a noteworthy bidding opportunity for the astute gold collector.

PCGS# 8756. NGC ID: 267Z.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenee Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4184.



11299

1906-D MS-64 (PCGS). CAC. Frosty rose-gold surfaces with a full strike and strong eye appeal. The 1906-D is the first Denver Mint eagle, and has a generous mintage of 981,000 pieces. Enough Uncirculated coins have been located in foreign bank reserves that the 1906-D is available in grades up to and including MS-64, but is challenging any finer. This lovely Choice example would make an equally impressive addition to a mintmarked gold type set or specialized Liberty Head eagle collection.

PCGS# 8760. NGC ID: 2685.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenee Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4186.



11300

1906-O Winter-1. MS-61 (PCGS). Natural honey-gold color blankets on both sides of this lustrous and smartly impressed example. The 1906-O is the final New Orleans Mint eagle, and the penultimate gold issue from this Southern coinage facility (the final is the 1909-O Indian half eagle). It is among the scarcer New Orleans Mint tens of the Motto design type, although locating an example in the MS-60 to MS-62 grade range should prove fairly easy under normal market conditions. Offering excellent value, this handsome piece will appeal to both New Orleans Mint specialists and advanced gold enthusiasts.

PCGS# 8761. NGC ID: 2686.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenee Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4187.



11301

1907 Indian. No Periods. MS-64 (PCGS). Smartly impressed with sharp to full detail throughout the design. This lovely near-Gem is satiny in texture and delivers solid Choice Mint State quality. It is a great Mint State type example to represent this early Indian eagle design.

PCGS# 8852. NGC ID: 28GE.



11302

1908-D No Motto. MS-62 (PCGS). Lovely honey-gold color blends with appealing mint luster on both sides of this attractively original example. The conditionally challenging 1908-D No Motto is scarce to rare in all Mint State grades despite a fairly generous mintage of 210,000 pieces. A little recognized fact about this issue is that it is the only branch mint Indian eagle with the mintmark positioned above the end of the branch on the reverse. For all other Denver and San Francisco mint issues of this type the mintmark is located in front of the arrow heads.

PCGS# 8854. NGC ID: 28GH.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenee Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4189.



11303

1908 Motto. MS-64 (PCGS). This is the first appearance of the Motto on the Saint-Gaudens design, which Congress insisted on adding to these handsome eagles in early 1908 (after 33,500 No Motto examples came off the dies). The Motto was placed before the eagle's chest and sort of balances out the two primary reverse fields, the other with E PLURIBUS UNUM behind the eagle's back. The powerful designs of the genius sculptor Saint-Gaudens are still evident despite these minor changes.

PCGS# 8859. NGC ID: 28GJ.



11304

1908 Motto. MS-62 (PCGS). A honey-orange example with a sharp strike and nice luster for the assigned grade.

PCGS# 8859. NGC ID: 28GJ.



11305

1908 Motto. MS-62 (PCGS). Pretty rose-honey color greets the viewer from both sides of this boldly struck and lustrous BU example.

PCGS# 8859. NGC ID: 28GJ.



11306

1908-D Motto. MS-63 (PCGS). With delicate pinkish-rose highlights on dominant honey-gold color. Sharply struck with soft mint luster.

PCGS# 8860. NGC ID: 28GK.



11307

1908-D Motto. MS-62 (PCGS). An attractive example of this transitional type with warm rose-gold surfaces. Sharply struck and uncommonly smooth for the assigned grade level. Initially, when the No Motto Denver Mint coins were struck, the D mintmark was very broad and boldfaced, and located above the leaves of the branch at the same angle as the rim in that area. When the Motto was added, the mintmark placement was lowered to near the end of the fasces below the leaves, where it remained for the duration of the series. Enough low end Mint State 1908-D Motto eagles are extant to satisfy demand from less discerning collectors. This premium coin from the Fairmont offering is sure to see spirited bidding among discerning 20th century gold enthusiasts.

PCGS# 8860. NGC ID: 28GK.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenae Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4190.



11308

1909 MS-63 (PCGS). Warm and inviting golden-honey surfaces are intensely lustrous with a sharp to full strike throughout the design. Although readily obtainable in an absolute sense, the 1909 is one of the scarcer Philadelphia Mint issues among circulation strike Indian eagles.

PCGS# 8862. NGC ID: 28GM.



11309

1909-D MS-63 (NGC). Pretty rose-orange color blends with billowy mint luster. Both sides are further enhanced by crisp striking detail that calls forth even the most trivial elements of the design. Given the rarity of the 1909-D eagle in higher grades, this attractive MS-63 is sure to catch the eye of astute 20th century gold enthusiasts.

PCGS# 8863. NGC ID: 28GN.



11310

1909-D MS-62 (PCGS). Attractive honey-orange surfaces are boldly to sharply struck with a pleasingly original appearance in a BU Indian eagle.

PCGS# 8863. NGC ID: 28GN.



11311

1909-D MS-62 (PCGS). Boldly struck and lustrous with warm honey-gold color overall. This is a lower mintage entry in the challenging Indian eagle series, and this BU example represents excellent value for the astute gold collector.

PCGS# 8863. NGC ID: 28GN.



11312

1912 MS-63 (NGC). Vivid orange-apricot color with a tinge of warm rose iridescence evident as the surfaces rotate under a light. Lustrous and satiny with a sharp strike to boot. The mintage of 405,000 pieces produced enough 1912 eagles for collectors today in most grades, but if an example in higher Mint State grades is required, there certainly are not many to go around.

PCGS# 8871. NGC ID: 28GW.



11313

1915 MS-64+ (PCGS). Frosty honey-apricot surfaces are well struck with billowy mint luster. A lovely Choice Mint State survivor from a mintage of 351,000 circulation strikes that would make an excellent addition to a high grade gold type or date set.

PCGS# 8878. NGC ID: 28H5.



11314

1915 MS-64 (NGC). With full striking detail and strong mint luster in a satin to softly frosted texture. Vivid and attractive, 20th century gold enthusiasts will flock to this Choice Uncirculated Indian \$10.

PCGS# 8878. NGC ID: 28H5.



11315

1915 MS-64 (NGC). With full striking detail and soft, attractive mint luster, this is a lovely coin to represent the challenging with Motto Indian eagle design in an Uncirculated type set. Pretty bright honey-gold color with a tinge of pale pinkish-apricot overall.

PCGS# 8878. NGC ID: 28H5.



11316

1915 MS-63+ (PCGS). Smartly impressed surfaces are fully lustrous with a satiny texture and warm honey-orange color. This is an attractive Choice Uncirculated 1915, and a strong candidate for inclusion in a Mint State gold type set that requires an Indian eagle.

PCGS# 8878. NGC ID: 28H5.



11317

1916-S MS-62 (PCGS). A pretty rose-honey example with sharp striking detail and billowy mint luster. The 1916-S is the 10th scarcest of the 32 issues in the Indian eagle series. Although the recorded mintage of 138,500 pieces implies availability, this is only true in lower Mint State or, even more so, circulated grades. Furthermore, this issue suffered particularly from the massive meltings that gobbled up the survivors in later years, most of those known today having returned from European banks in recent decades. Premium examples like the present piece are truly scarce.

PCGS# 8880. NGC ID: 28H7.

DOUBLE EAGLES

Historically Significant 1850-O Double Eagle



11318

1850-O Winter-3. AU-55 (NGC). A particularly desirable example of this historic first year issue that will appeal to double eagle enthusiasts and New Orleans Mint specialists. Vivid olive-gold color blankets both sides, and there are tinges of reddish-rose and ample remaining luster. Boldly to sharply defined overall with significant quality and eye appeal for this conditionally challenging issue.

The perennially popular 1850-O is the premier double eagle from the Louisiana branch mint. A mintage of 141,000 pieces for this issue is considerably lower than the 1,170,261-coin mintage reported for the Philadelphia Mint's circulation strike delivery of the year. This began a trend that would continue throughout the early New Orleans Mint double eagle series of 1850 to 1861. While the vast quantities of gold that flowed east from California provided the bullion for double eagle coinage at both the Philadelphia and New Orleans mints, the majority of

this precious metal found its way to the Northeast rather than the Deep South.

The 1850-O is one of the more challenging early date New Orleans Mint double eagles to collect. Survivors are rarer than those of the 1851-O and 1852-O issues, and most are well worn in grades such as VF or EF. As with the Philadelphia Mint's issue of 1850, the 1850-O saw extensive use in domestic circulation, primarily in regions west of the Mississippi River where gold coins were a preferred medium of exchange. Other examples were exported, primarily to London, where they were eventually melted. With its first year status resulting in particularly strong demand among mintmarked gold type collectors and New Orleans Mint enthusiasts, this impressive Choice About Uncirculated 1850-O double eagle is sure to see spirited bidding at auction.

PCGS# 8903. NGC ID: 268G.

Desirable 1852-O Liberty Head Twenty



11319

1852-O Winter-1. AU-58 (NGC). Handsome honey-olive surfaces with a tinge of light iridescence evident. Both sides are uncommonly sharp for the issuing mint with abundant mint luster. Nicely composed overall for an early date New Orleans Mint gold coin that saw light commercial use, although a few light marks over and before Liberty's cheek are noted for accuracy. Still, this is a desirable piece that is sure to sell for a solid bid.

The New Orleans Mint was the only Southern mint to produce the double eagle and only did so in modest quantities using gold provided from the vast California gold fields. 190,000 examples of the denomination were struck there in 1852, making it the second largest mintage for an O-Mint double eagle. These coins saw use throughout the South and the Atlantic Seaboard and seem

to have only infrequently been shipped abroad in international trade. One of the most available of all the O-Mint double eagles, the 1852-O can still be a challenge for the discerning specialist. Estimates vary on the number of surviving specimens, most likely in the range of 1,500 to 1,750 pieces, almost all of which are in mid-level circulated states of preservation. No vast quantities have so far been found in repatriated hoards, though several have appeared from such holdings. A few have been found in the S.S. *Central America* and S.S. *Republic* treasures, but these have not substantially augmented the supply. Above EF, this issue is quite scarce and with fewer than two dozen different Mint State examples believed extant, appealing Choice AU specimens - rare in their own right - are in constant demand from double eagle collectors and Southern gold specialists.

PCGS# 8907. NGC ID: 268L.



11320

1853 MS-60 (PCGS). Beautiful honey-gold surfaces are wonderfully original with a full endowment of softly frosted luster. Boldly to sharply struck. The Philadelphia Mint's output of double eagles in 1853 fell somewhat from the previous year, resulting in a mintage of 1,261,326 circulation strikes. Some portion of this mintage went overseas in later years, primarily to London, with many such pieces returning to the United States after World War II. Despite third party certification data that suggests otherwise - undoubtedly due to multiple resubmissions - we believe that perhaps as few as 50 to 75 different Mint State 1853 double eagles can be accounted for today. This is a remarkably limited total considering the "common date" status this issue has in numismatic circles. Obviously, the 1853 is far more elusive in Mint State than the relatively generous mintage suggests. A find for the astute double eagle enthusiast.

PCGS# 8908. NGC ID: 268M.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenae Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4208.

Uncommonly Well Preserved 1853-O Double Eagle



11321

1853-O Winter-1. AU-50 (PCGS). CAC. Offered is an important coin for advanced double eagle or New Orleans Mint enthusiasts, as relatively few 1853-O \$20s survive from the mintage of 71,000 pieces, and very few grade finer than Choice EF. This is a fully About Uncirculated example with vivid, original surfaces that retain a background of mint luster. The strike is impressively sharp throughout the design, with the surfaces displaying only the most trivial rub confirming a short stint in commerce. Virtually all known surviving 1853-O double eagles show some degree of circulation, and finding an example in such a high technical grade as AU-50 usually requires considerable patience and much persistence. Definitely

a find, the present 1853-O is in a grade high enough to attract an advanced specialist, yet it is much less expensive than a Mint State coin would be, if indeed you could find a nice one.

New Orleans Mint double eagles were important in the trade of their day - by steamboat up the Mississippi River connecting to inland cities and towns, and by sea to foreign countries. It is little wonder, then, that issues such as the 1853-O saw intense use, and suffered a high rate of attrition.

PCGS# 8910. NGC ID: 268N.

From our sale of the Fairmont Collection - Athenae Set, November 2024 Showcase Auction, lot 4209.



11322

1861 MS-61 (PCGS). With an unusually large mintage achieved to help fund the initial Union effort during the Civil War, this historic double eagle issue is readily accessible to many collectors. The offered coin is strictly Mint State with a sharp strike and full, hard, frosty mint luster. Generally pinkish-honey in color, yet with considerable reddish-russet staining that is more extensive on the obverse.

PCGS# 8932. NGC ID: 269G.

Seldom Offered 1861-S \$20 in Mint State



11323

1861-S MS-60 (NGC). Appealing honey-rose coloration adorns both sides of this significant example, accented by hints of pinkish-apricot iridescence. Luster is solid with a nice frosty texture. Attractive for the grade, and sure to please the discerning double eagle enthusiast.

After producing 19,250 double eagles in early 1861 using the famed Paquet Reverse, the San Francisco Mint went on to strike an additional 768,000 examples using the pre-existing "regular" Longacre reverse. Most of these coins entered circulation in the West and were eagerly accepted, leaving most survivors in

heavily worn condition for today's collectors. Recovered treasure ship finds have yielded the majority of the estimated 40 to 55 Mint State survivors, most of which have already been snatched up by collectors and are solidly off the market as part of tightly held collections. For the particularly advanced numismatist, this offering provides an opportunity to acquire an exceedingly rare Mint State 1861-S that does not appear to be a shipwreck find. It is a superior coin at the MS-60 grade level that is sure to sell for a nice premium.

PCGS# 8935. NGC ID: 269K.

NGC Census: 8; 22 finer (MS-63 finest).



11324

1862-S AU-58 (NGC). Plenty of soft mint luster remains on both sides of this warmly colored honey-orange example. Striking detail is universally sharp, the surfaces with some wispy handling marks, yet no singularly distracting blemishes. With Mint State survivors of the 1862-S highly elusive in today's market, this Choice About Uncirculated example is sure to see spirited bidding among advanced double eagle collectors.

PCGS# 8938. NGC ID: 269N.

Delightful 1863 Double Eagle Rare and Desirable Civil War Issue



11325

1863 AU-58 (PCGS). A visually appealing example with bright, vivid, pinkish-orange color on lustrous surfaces. Bold to sharp striking detail is also notable, as is significant semi-prooflike reflectivity in the fields.

The Philadelphia Mint produced just 142,790 circulation strike double eagles in 1863. Due to hoarding, the issue did not circulate in the East or Midwest. Gold coins were available only by paying a sharp premium for them. It is likely that many double eagles of this era were exported and melted at their destination, as examples have not turned up in European bank

hoards to any great extent. In fact, many of the 50 to 55 Mint State pieces believed extant have been recovered from the wreck of the *S.S. Republic* by Odyssey Marine Exploration. Given that this is scarce even in circulated grades (Bowers, 2004, accounts for just 200 to 300 worn examples), the opportunity to acquire this flashy AU-58 deserves serious bidder attention.

PCGS# 8939. NGC ID: 269P.

PCGS Population: 21; 28 finer (MS-64 finest).

From Heritage's Dallas Signature Auction of December 2005, lot 1634; Heritage's FUN Signature Auction of January 2022, lot 4748.

When Great Collections are Sold,
Stack's Bowers Galleries Sells Them



Noteworthy 1863 Philadelphia Mint \$20



11326

1863 AU-53 (PCGS). The second About Uncirculated example of this normally elusive Civil War era issue to cross your cataloger's desk for this sale, this captivating PCGS AU-53 shows much reflectivity in the fields. The design elements are



softly frosted in finish and retain plenty of sharp striking detail. Light hairlines and other handling marks keep the grade within the lower reaches of AU, but vivid rose-orange color is a strong suit, and the in-hand appearance is quite pleasing.

PCGS# 8939. NGC ID: 269P.

Handsome AU 1863 Double Eagle



11327

1863 AU-53 (NGC). Seldom do we have the opportunity to present multiple examples of this key date Type I Liberty Head double eagle issue in the same sale. Certified by NGC, this offering at the AU-53 grade level boasts warm, handsome color in a blend of honey-gold and pinkish-rose. Light high point rub



only minimally interferes with strike detail that is bold to sharp overall. Appreciable luster remains and while there are scattered handling marks and some light hairlines, few singularly distracting blemishes are seen.

PCGS# 8939. NGC ID: 269P.

Noteworthy Choice AU 1864 Double Eagle



11328

1864 AU-55 (PCGS). A premium quality Choice AU example of this key date Civil War era gold issue. Lovely deep honey-rose color blankets both sides, the surfaces near-fully lustrous with strong eye appeal. Bold to sharp in strike and nicely composed overall.

Federal records report that 204,235 circulation strike double eagles were coined at the Philadelphia Mint during 1864, and due to the continued problem with hoarding - which lasted until late December 1879 - none were used in regular day-to-day transactions in the eastern half of the United States. It seems that many were exported, and to the extent that this happened, most were likely melted into bullion, as examples have not turned up in European bank hoards to any great extent. We estimate a surviving population of between 300 to 450 circulated pieces, most of which grade VF or EF. Dave Bowers, in his study of the

series, estimated a Mint State population of only between three and five pieces. David Akers, writing in 1982, stated: "I have never personally examined a true Mint State piece, and despite the rather numerous auction records, have seen relatively few that could even be graded AU." Jeff Garrett and Ron Guth (2008) commented: "There were 42 examples of the 1864 Philadelphia issue on board the *S.S. Republic*, but this is very small in comparison to the large number of double eagle collectors." Not all of these coins were Uncirculated or choice.

As a non-shipwreck example with above average surface preservation and strong eye appeal, the example offered here is one of the most desirable 1864 double eagles available to today's collectors. It will certainly see spirited competition at auction.

PCGS# 8941. NGC ID: 269S.



11329

1864 AU-53 (PCGS). Handsome honey-gold surfaces with tinges of iridescent pinkish-rose also very much in evidence. This is a lustrous AU coin that retains ample evidence of a soft satin finish. It is also boldly struck overall with only light wear and wispy handling marks confirming a short stint in active circulation. Our multiple offerings for About Uncirculated survivors in this sale notwithstanding, this Civil War era double eagle issue is very scarce to rare in all grades.

PCGS# 8941. NGC ID: 269S.



11330

1864 AU-50 (PCGS). Boldly to sharply defined overall, both sides also retain appreciable mint luster in a soft satin texture. The extant population of this challenging classic gold issue is nowhere sufficient to meet demand from advanced double eagle enthusiasts, especially in attractive AU preservation, as here.

PCGS# 8941. NGC ID: 269S.



11331

1864 AU-50 (NGC). Pale pinkish overtones blend with dominant honey-gold color on both sides of this handsome piece. This is a boldly to sharply defined AU example with plenty of softly frosted luster remaining. Scarce Civil War era double eagle issue!

PCGS# 8941. NGC ID: 269S.



11332

1866 AU-55 (NGC). Warmly colored golden-honey surfaces. Both sides are sharply struck with a soft satin finish from the dies. The first year of the Type II design with the addition of the motto IN GOD WE TRUST on the reverse, the post-Civil War economy was still quite tenuous when the Philadelphia Mint struck 698,745 double eagles in 1866. The entire issue entered circulation with little fanfare, the coins subject to hoarding or used for overseas payments where specie was the preferred medium of exchange, a situation that would persist well into the 1870s. Even though a few thousand survivors are thought extant, almost all are in lower circulated grade levels. Popular as the first year for the type, here is a desirable and scarce Choice AU example for the double eagle connoisseur.

PCGS# 8949. NGC ID: 269X.



11333

1866 EF-45 (NGC). OH. This is a sharply struck and vivid orange-gold example with plenty of bright frosty luster remaining. Nearly complete striking detail is also noted, and with fine hairlines in places and a touch of haziness, it is clear that this is a Choice AU coin that NGC net graded to EF-45 to account for some light mischief. A perennially popular issue, and in all grades, the 1866 is the premier Liberty Head double eagle of the Type II design.

PCGS# 8949. NGC ID: 269X.



11334

1866-S Motto. EF-40 (NGC). OH. Generally honey-gold surfaces with tinges of light rose in areas. There is evidence of an old cleaning here, but no sizeable marks, and the design elements retain plenty of bold to sharp strike detail. 842,250 double eagles of the With Motto design were struck at the San Francisco Mint in 1866 according to government records. Most circulated extensively on the West Coast, and some others were shipped overseas to facilitate trade and were melted at their destinations. Although the 1866-S With Motto is readily obtainable in most circulated grades thanks to repatriations of survivors from foreign bank hoards, this issue is still scarce when viewed in the wider context of the Liberty Head double eagle series.

PCGS# 8950. NGC ID: 269Y.



11335

1872-S AU-50 (PCGS). Pretty orange-gold color greets the viewer from both sides, as does considerable frosty luster that is most intense in the protected areas around the design elements. This is a scarcer, more conditionally challenged Type II Liberty Head double eagle issue, and the offered AU survivor will appeal to many bidders.

PCGS# 8965. NGC ID: 26AF.

Condition Rarity 1873 Open 3 Double Eagle



11336

1873 Open 3. MS-63+ (PCGS). Beautiful golden-rose surfaces are fully lustrous with a satiny texture to the finish. The strike detail is razor sharp to full throughout, the surfaces remarkably well composed for the issue.

With 1,500 to 2,500 or more examples extant, the 1873 Open 3 is one of the most readily obtainable issues of its design type in Mint State. Many of the Uncirculated pieces were repatriated

from foreign bank hoards in the decades following World War II. This is still a conditionally challenging issue, however, the vast majority of examples confined to the MS-60 to MS-62 grade range. A lovely survivor at the MS-63+ level, the offered coin is a delight to behold and would do nicely in either a high grade type set or advanced gold cabinet.

PCGS# 8967. NGC ID: 26AH.

PCGS Population: 63; 27 finer (MS-65+ finest).



11337

1873 Open 3. MS-63 (NGC). A lovely Type II Liberty Head double eagle irrespective of date or issuing mint. Displaying full mint luster, both sides are enhanced by vivid golden-apricot color. The strike is sharp to full throughout, the surfaces uncommonly smooth for both the type and issue. An ideal example for inclusion in a high grade type set or double eagle collection.

PCGS# 8967. NGC ID: 26AH.



11338

1873 Open 3. MS-62+ (PCGS). A superior BU example with strong mint luster and sharply struck design elements. The 1873 Open 3 double eagle, with a high mintage of more than 1.7 million pieces, is an ideal coin to represent the Type II Liberty Head \$20 in a type set. While readily available in grades up to and including MS-63, it is a considerable challenge to find this issue any finer. The word opportunity comes to the fore for our offering of this premium quality Uncirculated example in PCGS MS-62+.

PCGS# 8967. NGC ID: 26AH.



11339

1876-S AU-55 (NGC). OH. Pretty deep orange honey color with tinges of pinkish-rose iridescence. Lustrous for the grade and sharply defined, wispy hairlines are noted for accuracy, but there are no singularly mentionable marks.

PCGS# 8978. NGC ID: 26AX.



11340

1877-S MS-62 (NGC). Both sides are fully struck and bathed in frosty orange-apricot luster. Pleasingly smooth for this conditionally challenging issue, and worthy of a solid bid, as such. The 1877-S double eagle registered a mintage of 1,735,000 pieces, down some 138,000 coins from the previous year. Some portion of the mintage made it into overseas banking transactions, a familiar scenario - and a blessing to later generations of numismatists. Thanks to repatriations from foreign bank hoards, in fact, our estimate for Mint State survivors is a rather generous 1,500 to 2,500 coins. Most of these, however, hover around the MS-60 and MS-61 grade levels. As a solidly graded MS-62, this nearly Choice offering represents the finest realistically obtainable for the issue as far as most of today's double eagle specialists are concerned.

PCGS# 8984. NGC ID: 26B2.



11341

1879-S EF-40 (NGC). OH. Honey-orange surfaces are lightly hairlined from an old cleaning, yet offer plenty of bold striking detail and traces of original mint luster to enhance the desirability.

PCGS# 8991. NGC ID: 26B9.



11342

1890-CC AU-58 (PCGS). Warm orange-rose color overall, the upper reverse is further enhanced by splashes of steel-blue and reddish russet patina that provide considerable visual interest. Both sides are sharply struck with strong mint luster for the grade. The mintage for this popular issue is 91,209 pieces, up more than 60,000 coins from the preceding year's double eagle tally at the Carson City Mint. Survivors are equally popular with mintmarked type collectors, Liberty Head double eagle specialists, and Carson City Mint enthusiasts.

PCGS# 9014. NGC ID: 26BY.



11343

1891-S MS-64+ (NGC). Enchanting pinkish-honey surfaces are sharply struck with a full quota of satiny mint luster. Mintage for the 1891-S double eagle amounted to 1,288,125 pieces, up more than 485,000 coins from the preceding year's tally at the West Coast mint. We estimate that 6,000 to 8,000 or even more Mint State coins are extant, most of those in the MS-60 to 62 grade range, but with enough forays into MS-63 or marginally finer to go around. As with so many issues in the Liberty Head double eagle series, the 1891-S is rare in the finest Mint State grades, the present example ranking among the nicest available to today's advanced collectors.

PCGS# 9018. NGC ID: 26C4.

NGC Census: 2; 2 finer (both MS-65). The corresponding PCGS Population is 10/2 (MS-65+ finest).

Historic Final Year 1893-CC Double Eagle



11344

1893-CC MS-61 (PCGS). Warm golden-honey and vivid rose-apricot surfaces are lustrous with a satin to softly frosted finish. Both sides are boldly struck with an exceptionally smooth appearance for a CC-Mint double eagle.

The Carson City Mint's final double eagle issue has a mintage of just 18,402 pieces. The institution had struggled against politics and other factors since its opening in 1870, but time had finally run out in 1893. Perhaps not coincidentally, the nearby Comstock Lode also largely dried up by 1893, as the heady days of gold mining at the site rapidly came to an end. With an above

average rate of survival for a Carson City Mint double eagle, the 1893-CC is more obtainable in today's market than the mintage might suggest. This is fortunate for collectors, allowing many to acquire an example of a historic issue from one of the nation's most romanticized and popularly collected coinage facilities. For the advanced collector only a Mint State coin will do, however, and such pieces are scarce in an absolute sense with Rusty Goe (2020) allowing for only 290 to 350 examples. The present example is among the nicer obtainable in today's market and is highly recommended.

PCGS# 9023. NGC ID: 26C9.



11345

1896-S MS-63+ (PCGS). A bright and beautiful example, both sides are aglow with frosty mint luster and vivid golden-apricot color. Sharply struck and a delight to behold. The mintage of the 1896-S double eagle amounted to 1,403,925 pieces, up more than 260,000 coins from the previous year's total at the San Francisco Mint. Much of the mintage was exported, repatriations in recent decades swelling the Mint State population to 10,000 to 16,000 or more examples. This piece is finer than the typical survivor in the MS-60 to MS-62 grade range, and it is sure to catch the eye of discerning bidders.

PCGS# 9030. NGC ID: 26CG.



11346

1899-S MS-64 (PCGS). Lovely golden-orange color mingles with lively mint luster, and both sides are exceptionally attractive even for the impressive Choice Mint State grade. Sharply to fully struck and nicely preserved in all regards. The San Francisco Mint produced 2,010,300 double eagles in 1899, many of which saw use in foreign banking and business transactions. The mintage was down nearly 565,000 pieces from the preceding year's production figure. We suggest that some 12,000 to 18,000 or more Mint State examples of this bountiful issue are available, with coins up to MS-63 available with regularity; higher grades, as here, are scarce to rare. Many of the known pieces have been repatriated from European holdings in recent decades, though Mint State examples of the date have always been available to the numismatic community. A lovely near-Gem equally well suited for inclusion in a high quality type or date set.

PCGS# 9036. NGC ID: 26CN.

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11347

1900-S MS-61 (PCGS). Double eagle production at the San Francisco Mint in 1900 amounted to 2,459,500 pieces. Writing in 2004, Q. David Bowers estimated that the Mint State population might top out at more than 16,000 pieces. This is clearly one of the more readily obtainable Liberty Head double eagles and this vivid, frosty to semi-reflective BU example would do nicely in a Mint State type set.

PCGS# 9038. NGC ID: 26CR.

Legendary High Relief MCMVII (1907) Saint-Gaudens \$20 Wire Rim Variant



11348

MCMVII (1907) Saint-Gaudens. High Relief. Wire Rim. MS-64 (PCGS). An elegant example of one of the most legendary issues in U.S. numismatics, this piece offers hard frosty luster and vivid medium golden-honey color with a tinge of pale pinkish-rose. The strike is expertly rendered, with Liberty's portrait and the eagle fully pronounced and intricate. Fine swirling die polish imparts a rich, matte-like texture to the surfaces. This Choice Mint State example represents one of the finer certified survivors of the High Relief Saint-Gaudens, Wire Rim design type currently available. Well composed and visually stunning.

In 1905 and 1906, Augustus Saint-Gaudens prepared sketches and models, including for the cent, \$10 and \$20. However, he was in failing health, and when he passed away on August 3,

1907, his work was unfinished. The cent never went beyond the concept stage, but the Indian Head \$10 and the High Relief \$20 were essentially done, with finishing details provided by Saint-Gaudens' assistant, Henry Hering. Fortunately for numismatists today, the MCMVII High Relief was a sensation when examples were first released to the public in December 1907. Bank tellers and others saved all they could find, and soon they sold at a premium, \$25 and then \$30. Years later, as the passion faded, many were turned in and spent, including in the 1930s when the government called in all gold coins. Today, Mint State examples in all grades are eagerly sought; the inclusion of such a coin is sufficient to confirm the significance of any numismatic cabinet.

PCGS# 9135. NGC ID: 26F2.

Significant Gem Mint State 1908 Double Eagle Underrated With Motto Design Type



11349

1908 Motto. MS-65 (PCGS). The luster is soft and satiny across this beautiful Gem, blanketing the surfaces in a uniform matte-like texture. Rich, medium golden-orange in color and sharply rendered on each side, this coin is outstanding in both technical and aesthetic quality.

Far scarcer than its identically dated No Motto counterpart, the 1908 Motto double eagle saw just 156,258 circulation strikes produced. An even more significant factor in determining this issue's rarity is its distribution. Most early dates in the Saint-Gaudens series were shipped overseas as international trade coins. While we believe that many examples of the 1908 Motto

were used in this manner, an unusually large percentage of the mintage seems to have been retained in America until melted in 1937. Indeed, the 1908 Motto has only been minimally represented in repatriations of classic U.S. Mint gold coins from foreign bank hoards, and today it is among the scarcer issues of its type in Mint State. In Gem MS-65 the 1908 Motto is a decided condition rarity, and this is one of our finest offerings for the issue in recent years. The present example is a delightful representative of this rare population and approaches the very finest known, with just 28 coins graded finer by PCGS through MS-67.

PCGS# 9147. NGC ID: 26F8.



11350

1908 Motto. MS-64 (PCGS). Vivid and fully lustrous surfaces are sharply struck with solid Choice Mint State quality. A fresh, premium quality MS-64 for this scarce and challenging early date Saint-Gaudens \$20 gold issue. Much rarer than its identically dated No Motto counterpart from the Philadelphia Mint.

PCGS# 9147. NGC ID: 26F8.

Superior Quality 1910-D Double Eagle



11351

1910-D MS-66 (PCGS). This delightful example exhibits bold rose-orange color to smooth, highly lustrous surfaces. The texture is satiny, the strike is full, and the eye appeal is strong.

A mintage of 429,000 pieces for the 1910-D is neither abundant nor scanty for a Saint-Gaudens double eagle. Typical of many issues in this series, the 1910-D was exported in quantity with numerous bags remaining in European bank vaults until after

World War II. Repatriations since then have been sufficient to make the 1910-D obtainable with ease in grades through MS-63. It can be challenging to locate in grades above MS-64, however, and in MS-65 the issue is scarce. Premium Gems in MS-66 are rare relative to the demand that they enjoy among discerning gold collectors.

PCGS# 9155. NGC ID: 26FG.



11352

1910-D MS-65 (PCGS). Beautiful, vivid, reddish-gold surfaces also boast strong mint luster in a softly frosted texture. A sharp strike and wisps of faint powder blue and pinkish-rose iridescence further enhance the desirability of this early date mintmarked Saint-Gaudens \$20.

PCGS# 9155. NGC ID: 26FG.

Condition Rarity 1911-D Double Eagle Scarce and Desirable FS-501 RPM Variety



11353

1911-D/D FS-501. Repunched Mintmark. MS-66+ (NGC). Ranking 42nd of 53 circulation strike Saint-Gaudens double eagles in terms of total number of Mint State coins extant, the 1911-D is one of the more readily obtainable issues of the type in today's market. Most survivors grade no finer than MS-65, however, and even in MS-66 this issue is scarce by the standards of the type. The MS-66+ grade level is the one at which the 1911-D develops into a true condition rarity, and the offered coin

represents a fleeting bidding opportunity for the high quality gold type or date collector. It is fully lustrous with a satin to softly frosted texture and handsome color in warm rose-orange. The Repunched Mintmark variety adds further scarcity and appeal.

PCGS# 145010. BASE PCGS# 89158. NGC ID: 26FK.

NGC Census (FS-501 attribution only): 11; 5 finer (all MS-67). The corresponding PCGS Population is 13/1 (MS-67 also finest).



11354

1914-D MS-62 (NGC). Smartly impressed with a tinge of pale pinkish-rose iridescence on otherwise honey-orange surfaces.

PCGS# 9165. NGC ID: 26FT.

Landmark 1914-S Saint-Gaudens \$20 Sole MS-67 at PCGS and NGC



11355

1914-S MS-67 (NGC). A premium quality example of both the issue and type with tremendous eye appeal. Highly lustrous with beautiful honey-apricot color, this sharply impressed Superb Gem makes a strong impact when viewed in-hand. Unblemished, near-perfect surfaces are truly a sight to see in an example of this perennially popular type.

Despite its status as one of the most available issues from the pre-1920 Saint-Gaudens double eagle series, the 1914-S is very scarce in MS-66 and virtually unknown any finer. While several large hoards were distributed throughout the second half of the

20th century, the vast majority of these coins feature distracting abrasions from decades of improper storage and mishandling. Only about 0.5% of the original mintage are thought to survive in MS-65 or higher. This landmark opportunity to place the single highest graded example at both PCGS and NGC as a cornerstone into a world-class gold collection should not be taken for granted. Advanced gold specialists would be wise to carefully consider this offering.

PCGS# 9166. NGC ID: 26FU.

Combined PCGS and NGC Population: 1; 0 finer.



11356

1914-S MS-63 (PCGS). An endearing piece, both sides blend warm honey-rose color with soft, satiny mint luster. Well struck with bold to sharp detail throughout the design.

PCGS# 9166. NGC ID: 26FU.

Scarce Premium Gem Mint State 1915-S \$20



11357

1915-S MS-66 (PCGS). Remarkable satiny luster floods the surfaces on both sides of this premium Gem. Bathed in vivid orange-rose color, as well, with a sharp strike and overall stunning preservation. While the 1915-S double eagle is among the most common of the early Saint-Gaudens issues in an

absolute sense, examples are relatively scarce in MS-66. In fact, this piece sits just one grade interval below the finest seen by PCGS in MS-66+.

PCGS# 9168. NGC ID: 26FW.



11358

1915-S MS-66 (NGC). Conditionally scarce premium Gem Uncirculated quality for this early date entry in the San Francisco Mint Saint-Gaudens double eagle series. Both sides are bathed in vivid honey-rose color that blends nicely with billowy mint luster. Sharp striking detail rounds out an impressive list of physical attributes.

PCGS# 9168. NGC ID: 26FW.

Virtually Unsurpassable 1916-S Double Eagle



11359

1916-S MS-66 (PCGS). CAC. A flashy and impressively preserved example of this challenging issue. The complexion is overall satiny, painted in a mix of deep orange-gold and vivid pinkish-apricot colors. Well produced and visually stunning.

One of the more underrated mintmarked issues among pre-1920 Saint-Gaudens double eagles, the 1916-S is rarer than the 1911-D, 1914-D, 1914-S and 1915-S. This despite the fact that thousands of Mint State examples have been repatriated since the 1970s, including a particularly impressive bounty of more than 4,000 coins located in El Salvador in 1983. Although underrated, the

1916-S is still obtainable with ease in most Uncirculated grades, to include even MS-65. In MS-66, as here, the conditionally challenging nature of the issue comes to the fore. Only six coins currently rank finer than the present example at PCGS, in fact, all in MS-66+. With coveted CAC approval, this is definitely a rare offering that represents a significant bidding opportunity for the quality-conscious gold enthusiast.

PCGS# 9169. NGC ID: 26FX.

CAC Stickered Population: 34; 0.



11360

1916-S MS-65 (PCGS). Vivid deep orange-honey color with light silvery overtones. Both sides are sharply struck with a full endowment of billowy mint luster. Desirable Gem Mint State preservation in an early date mintmarked type candidate from the Saint-Gaudens double eagle series.

PCGS# 9169. NGC ID: 26FX.



11361

1920 MS-64 (PCGS). This lovely coin exhibits bright, vivid, golden-rose color. It is also fully lustrous with a bold to sharp strike. As one of the rarest Saint-Gaudens double eagles in Gem Mint State, the 1920 is always in demand in attractive Choice preservation, as offered here.

PCGS# 9170. NGC ID: 26FY.



11364

1923-D MS-66 (PCGS). A sharp and lustrous premium Gem with handsome rose-orange color overall. Highly lustrous, as well, and ideally suited for inclusion in a mintmarked type set of 20th century U.S. Mint gold coinage.

PCGS# 9176. NGC ID: 26G6.



11362

1923 MS-65 (NGC). Pretty rose-gold color blankets both sides of this vivid and attractive double eagle. Soft mint luster and a bold strike enhance this coin's appeal. While the 1923 is part of a run of more available Philadelphia Mint double eagles from the 1922 to 1928 era, it is the scarcest issue in this group in Gem Mint State. Indeed, MS-65s such as this are far rarer than identically graded examples of the 1925, 1926 and 1928, to say nothing of the 1924 and 1927. Sure to appeal to astute gold collectors.

PCGS# 9175. NGC ID: 26G5.



11365

1925 MS-66 (NGC). The 1925 is one in a string of accessible Philadelphia Mint double eagles from the mid to late 1920s, claiming a mintage of just over 2.8 million coins. Many examples were exported, as well, thereby escaping the fate of melting in the United States in 1937. This exquisite upper end Gem is smartly impressed and bathed in a bold blend of honey-apricot color and full mint luster.

PCGS# 9180. NGC ID: 26GA.



11363

1923-D MS-66+ (PCGS). This lovely example exhibits delicate pinkish-apricot highlights to dominant orange-gold surfaces. Sharply struck and highly lustrous with captivating eye appeal. The 1923-D is the most available mintmarked double eagle from the Roaring Twenties. Obviously many of the 1,702,250 coins struck were used in international transactions, and thus spared from the widespread melting of gold coins during the late 1930s. Even so, upper end Gems such as this are scarce from a condition standpoint. An ideal candidate for an advanced type set or double eagle collection.

PCGS# 9176. NGC ID: 26G6.



11366

1926 MS-66 (PCGS). Attractive golden-wheat surfaces are fully struck, softly lustrous and nearly pristine in preservation. Despite its status as one of the more frequently encountered Saint-Gaudens double eagles in today's market, the 1926 is underrated compared to the truly common issues of the type (1924, 1927, 1928). It is seldom encountered finer than MS-66, the present premium Gem among the finest obtainable by today's advanced collectors of 20th century U.S. Mint gold coinage.

PCGS# 9183. NGC ID: 26GD.

COMMEMORATIVE SILVER COINS



11367

1900 Lafayette Silver Dollar. MS-64 (NGC). CAC. A very high end and high quality Choice Mint State Lafayette dollar. This is a conditionally challenged type as many were sold to folks outside of the traditional numismatic marketplace, with the proceeds to fund a statue of General Lafayette. Satiny smooth surfaces with rich frosty mint luster glowing from antique silver surfaces. The peripheries are further enhanced by blushes of iridescent olive-russet. Visually impressive, and important as the only silver dollar type in the entire classic commemorative series. Scarce so fine and very rare any finer.

PCGS# 9222. NGC ID: BYKW.

Condition Census 1921 Plain Alabama Commemorative



11368

1921 Alabama Centennial. Plain. MS-67 (PCGS). As well preserved and visually pleasing as any example of this conditionally challenging design type available to today's discerning numismatists. Wisps of champagne-pink iridescence visit the otherwise antique silver surfaces. Luster is full with a frosty texture, and the appearance is expectably smooth for the assigned grade.

Half dollars of this type commemorate the 100th anniversary of Alabama's admission into the Union, which actually happened two years earlier. Survivors of both the Plain and 2x2 varieties are scarce in MS-66 and exceedingly rare in Superb Gem MS-67. Truly a lovely coin, and worthy of inclusion in the finest collection of classic commemoratives.

PCGS# 9224. NGC ID: BYF2.

PCGS Population: 3; 3 finer (all MS-67+).



11369

1946-S Booker T. Washington Memorial. MS-67+ (PCGS). CAC. Really a beautiful example, the otherwise silver-tinged surfaces are enhanced by blushes of bold reddish-russet patina at the borders. Lustrous satin features are incredibly smooth with eye appeal to spare. For both the type and issue, there are precious few coins that can challenge this 1946-S Booker T. Washington in terms of quality or eye appeal. Worthy of the strongest bids.

PCGS# 9406. NGC ID: BYJU.

PCGS Population: 34; 11 finer (all MS-68).



11370

1947 Booker T. Washington Memorial. MS-67+ (NGC). Generally bright and lustrous with just a dash of russet-gold in select peripheral areas. The strike is sharp throughout and the surfaces are highly lustrous with a pleasing overall appearance. A couple of minor bagging abrasions are noted on the obverse that serve to limit the already outstanding grade from NGC. This series is notorious for poor strikes and even poorer surface quality, hence demand for Gems is always high and finding superb coins at and above the MS-67 level is quite a challenge for specialists.

PCGS# 9408. NGC ID: BYJV.

NGC Census: 8; none are finer. The corresponding PCGS Population is similar at 6/0.

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COMMEMORATIVE GOLD COIN



11371

1903 Louisiana Purchase Exposition Gold Dollar. McKinley Portrait. MS-67+ (NGC). Approaching numismatic perfection, this vivid golden-apricot example offers bountiful mint luster to silky smooth surfaces. Though 125,000 pieces were minted, most failed to sell and it is estimated that only 16,000 to 20,000 McKinley portrait gold dollars were released. While Mint State grades are plentiful, coins certified finer than MS-67 are elusive rarities. This example is one of the highest graded by NGC.

PCGS# 7444. NGC ID: BYLE.

NGC Census: 28; 12 finer (all MS-68).

BULLION



11372

2019-S Silver Eagle. First Strike. Enhanced Reverse Proof-70 (PCGS). The original mint packaging and COA are included. The COA is separately encapsulated in a PCGS holder, with numbers matching to the coin.

PCGS# 807001.

PRIVATE AND TERRITORIAL GOLD COINS AND RELATED

Historic and Popular 1851 Augustus Humbert \$50 Gold “Slug” 880 THOUS., K-5 Variety Rare Mint State Preservation



11373

1851 Augustus Humbert \$50. Reeded Edge. K-5. Rarity-4. 880 THOUS., Target Reverse. MS-62 (NGC). An exciting coin in a survivor of this iconic California Gold Rush era type. Warm olive undertones backlight dominant medium honey-gold color, the surfaces lustrous with a lively frosty texture. Overall striking detail is exceptional, accuracy alone compelling us to mention the often-seen softness on the central obverse high points. We stress, however, that the peripheral legend on that side is legible in full with each individual letter crisp. The edges are remarkably smooth and free of the typically encountered large bumps and deep bruises. Also free of sizeable surface marks, and while faint hairlines are present to explain the MS-62 grade from NGC, both the eye appeal and overall quality are exceptional for the type. This is an outstanding coin that combines absolute scarcity with condition rarity.

Among the most evocative of all the Gold Rush issues, the huge octagonal \$50 gold pieces nicknamed “slugs” have been favorites of numismatists for generations. Tokens and medals made in imitation of the iconic pieces have been produced throughout

the 20th century and even the perennially popular Panama-Pacific Exposition Octagonal \$50 commemoratives were based loosely on the slugs of the United States Assay Office.

Humbert’s \$50 “slugs” are often seen with heavy nicks and edge bruises, as the soft metal would not withstand the hard use that it saw. It was commonplace to toss them into bags of gold in various forms, including bars, for transportation. Those surviving examples that do not show these imperfections have often been repaired in an attempt to “improve” their look over the years. The present specimen is a welcome exception in both regards, a superior example of this impressive and very popular territorial issue produced under the authority of Augustus Humbert, the United States assayer at San Francisco, whose personal collection of coins was sold in 1901 by the Chapman Brothers.

PCGS# 10211. NGC ID: ANH8.

NGC Census: 3; with a single MS-62+ finer. The corresponding PCGS Population is 0/3 (MS-65 finest).



11374

“1854” California Gold Token. Round. Arms of California / Wreath #4b. MS-67 (NGC). 10 mm. Well struck with bright, frosty luster and vivid medium gold color.

Ex Jeff Shevlin Collection.

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6. Payment. Payment is due immediately upon the fall of the auctioneer's hammer. Payment is delinquent and in default if not received in full, in good funds, within fourteen (14) calendar days of the Auction Sale (the "Default Date"), without exception, time being of the essence. Unless otherwise agreed in writing prior to the Auction Sale, all auction sales are payable strictly in U.S. Dollars or Hong Kong Dollars. All invoices will be made in United States Dollars. If paying in Hong Kong Dollars, Buyer's invoices will be credited with the amount of U.S. Dollars at the rate established by the Auctioneer at the time of the Auction Sale. Payments may be made by U.S. or Hong Kong Dollar check from a U.S. or Hong Kong bank, wire transfer, money order and cashier's check. Cash transactions will be accepted at the sole discretion of Stack's Bowers, and if accepted, for any cash transaction or series of transactions exceeding \$10,000, a Treasury Form 8300 will be filed. Contact Stack's Bowers for wiring instructions before sending a wire. Bank wires sent from a foreign bank are subject to an international bank wire fee of \$35. Payment by ACH/eCheck will be accepted upon prior approval by Auctioneer. Payment by credit card (Visa, Mastercard, American Express and Discover) or Paypal will be accepted upon prior approval by Auctioneer. All payments by credit card or Paypal will incur a surcharge of 2.5%. This fee only applies to credit card or Paypal transactions, and does not exceed Auctioneer's cost of processing these payments. Payment by check, ACH/eCheck, wire transfer, money order or cashier's check will not incur a surcharge. All payments are subject to a clearing period. Checks will be subject to up to a 10 business day hold. Stack's Bowers reserves the right not to release lots for which good funds have not yet been received. On any past due accounts, Stack's Bowers reserves the right, without notice, to extend credit and impose carrying charges (as described below). Buyers agree to pay reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred to collect past due accounts. Any invoice not paid by the Default Date will bear a five percent (5%) late fee on the invoice amount. Buyers personally and unconditionally guarantee payment in full of all amounts owed to Stack's Bowers. Any person submitting bids on behalf of a corporation or other entity, by making

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such bid, agrees to be personally jointly and severally liable for the payment of the purchase price and any related charges and the performance of all Buyer obligations under these Terms of Sale and Stack's Bowers reserves the right to require a written guarantee of such payments and obligations. Bidders who have not established credit with Stack's Bowers must furnish satisfactory information and credit references and/or deposit at least twenty-five percent (25%) of their total bids for that Auction Sale session(s) or such other amount as Stack's Bowers may, in its sole and absolute discretion require before any bids from such Bidder will be accepted. Deposits submitted will be applied to purchases. Any remaining deposits will be promptly refunded, upon clearance of funds.

7. Sales Tax. Buyers will be charged all applicable sales tax unless a valid Resale Certificate has been provided to the Auctioneer prior to the auction. Should state sales tax become applicable in the delivery state prior to delivery of the property on the invoice, the Buyer agrees to pay all applicable state sales tax as required by the delivery state as of the shipping date. In the event any applicable sales tax is not paid by Buyer that should have been paid, even if not such tax was not charged or collected by Stack's Bowers by mistake, error, negligence or gross negligence, Buyer nonetheless acknowledges responsibility to pay such sales tax and remains fully liable for and agrees to promptly pay such taxes on demand, together with any interest or penalty that may be assessed by the taxing authority and agrees to indemnify and hold Auctioneer harmless from any applicable sales tax, interest or penalties due. Lots from different Auctions may not be aggregated for sales tax purposes.

8. Financial Responsibility. In the event any applicable conditions of these Terms of Sale herein are not complied with by a Buyer or if the Buyer fails to make payment in full by the Default Date, Stack's Bowers reserves the right, in its sole discretion, in addition to all other remedies which it may have at law or in equity to rescind the sale of that lot or any other lot or lots sold to the defaulting Buyer, retaining all payments made by Buyer as liquidated damages, it being recognized that actual damages may be speculative or difficult to compute, and resell a portion or all of the lots held by Stack's Bowers, in a commercially reasonable manner, which may include a public or private sale, in a quantity sufficient in the opinion of Stack's Bowers to satisfy the indebtedness, plus all accrued charges, and Stack's Bowers may charge a seller's commission that is commercially reasonable. More than one such sale may take place at the option of Stack's Bowers. If Stack's Bowers resells the lots, Buyer agrees to pay for the reasonable cost of such sale, together with any incidental costs of sale, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs, cataloging and any other reasonable charges. Notice of the sale shall be by U.S.P.S. Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested to the address utilized on the Bid Sheet, Auction Consignment and Security Agreement or other last known address by Stack's Bowers. The proceeds shall be applied first to the satisfaction of any damages occasioned by Buyer's breach, then to any other indebtedness owed to Stack's Bowers, including without limitation, commissions, handling charges, carrying charges, the expenses of both sales, seller's fees, reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, collection agency fees and costs and any other costs or expenses incurred. Buyer shall also be liable to Stack's Bowers for any deficiency if the proceeds of such sale or sales are insufficient to cover such amounts.

Buyer grants to Stack's Bowers, its affiliates and assignees, the right to offset any sums due, or found to be due to Stack's Bowers, and to make such offset from any past, current, or future consignment, or purchases that are in the possession or control of Stack's Bowers; or from any sums due to Buyer by Stack's Bowers, its affiliates and assignees. In addition, defaulting Buyers will be deemed to have granted to Stack's Bowers, its affiliates and assignees, a security interest in: (x) the purchased lots and their proceeds, and (y) such sums or other items and their proceeds, in the possession of Stack's Bowers, its affiliates or assignees, to secure all indebtedness due to Stack's Bowers and its affiliated companies, plus all accrued expenses, carrying charges, seller's fees, attorney fees, and costs, until the indebtedness is paid in full. Buyer grants Stack's Bowers the right to file a UCC-1 financing statement for such items, and to assign such interest to any affiliated or related company or any third party deemed appropriate by Stack's Bowers. If the auction invoice is not paid for in full by the Default Date, a carrying charge of one-and-one-half percent (1-1/2%) per month may be imposed on the unpaid amount until it is paid in full. In the event this interest rate exceeds the interest permitted by law, the same shall be adjusted to the maximum rate permitted by law, and any amount paid in excess thereof shall be allocated to principal. Buyer agrees to pay all reasonable attorney's fees, court costs and other collection costs incurred by Stack's Bowers or any affiliated or related company to collect past due invoices or to interpret or enforce the terms hereof or in any action or proceeding arising out of or related to the Auction Sale. Stack's Bowers reserves the right to assign its interest to any third party. To the extent that the Buyer for any lot consists of more than one person or entity, each such person or entity is jointly and severally liable

for all obligations of the Buyer, regardless of the title or capacity of such person or entity. Stack's Bowers shall have all the rights of a secured creditor under Article 9 of the California Commercial Code and all rights of the consignor to collect amounts due from the Buyer, whether at law or equity.

9. Shipping. It is the Buyer's responsibility to contact Stack's Bowers after the sale to make shipping and packaging arrangements. Due to the fragile nature of some lots, Stack's Bowers may elect not to assume responsibility for shipping or packing, or may charge additional shipping and handling. Stack's Bowers, in its sole discretion, may not ship to select countries. Lots indicated as being "framed" or that are specifically identified in the catalog are shipped at Buyer's risk. All taxes, postage, shipping, if applicable, handling, insurance costs, the Buyer's Premium, and any other fees required by law to be charged or collected will be added to the invoice for any lots invoiced to Buyer. All lots shipped to foreign countries will be billed an additional one-half percent (1/2%) for insurance (minimum of \$10). For any lots delivered outside the country where the auction is hosted, the declaration value shall be the item's hammer price plus its buyer's premium. Auctioneer shall not be liable for any loss caused or resulting from seizure or destruction under quarantine or customs regulation or confiscation by order of any government or public authority. Buyer shall be responsible for paying all applicable taxes, duties and customs charges for all lots delivered outside the country where the auction is hosted. All lots will be shipped FOB Destination, freight prepaid and charged back. Title and risk of loss pass to the Buyer at the destination upon tender of delivery. Acceptance of delivery constitutes acceptance of the purchased lots. Inspection of the purchased lots is not required for acceptance. Any and all claims based upon Buyer's failure to receive a purchased lot, Buyer's receipt of a lot in damaged condition, or otherwise related to delivery, must be received in writing by Stack's Bowers no later than the earlier of thirty (30) days after payment, or the date of the Auction Sale (the "Outside Claim Date"). As Buyers may not receive notification of shipment, it is Buyer's responsibility to keep track of the Outside Claim Date and make timely notification of any such claim. The failure to make a timely claim, time being of the essence, shall constitute a waiver of any such claim. Orders paid by credit card will only be shipped to the verified address on file with the credit card merchant.

It shall be the responsibility for Buyer to arrange pick-up or shipping in a timely manner (within 10 days). All Lots left at our facility or under our control after an Auction Sale for more than 60 days will be sent to secure storage and incur a storage fee in the amount of \$10.00 per item per day starting upon our written notice to you and continuing until the Lots are retrieved. Ninety (90) days after the date of such notice, if the Lots have not yet been retrieved, we may sell the Lots in a commercially reasonable manner, which may include a public or private sale, in a quantity sufficient in the opinion of Auctioneer to satisfy any unpaid amounts, plus all accrued charges, and Auctioneer may charge a seller's commission that is commercially reasonable. More than one such sale may take place at the option of Auctioneer. The net proceeds of such sale shall then be applied to the satisfaction of any unpaid amounts, including the costs of storage and sale (including reasonable expenses and attorney's fee) and the excess, if any, will be remitted to you, held for your account or disposed of as required by law.

10. DISCLAIMER AND WARRANTIES. NO WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE IS MADE OR IMPLIED ON ANY LOT. NO WARRANTY, WHETHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, IS MADE WITH RESPECT TO ANY LOT EXCEPT FOR WARRANTY OF TITLE, AND IN THE CASE OF TITLE, AUCTIONEER IS SELLING ONLY THAT RIGHT OR TITLE TO THE LOT THAT THE CONSIGNOR MAY HAVE AS OF THE AUCTION SALE DATE. ALL LOTS ARE SOLD "AS IS" AND WITH ALL FAULTS. PURCHASER HEREBY ASSUMES ALL RISKS CONCERNING AND RELATED TO THE GRADING, QUALITY, DESCRIPTION, CONDITION, AND PROVENANCE OF A LOT.

a. COINS, CURRENCY AND CRYPTOCURRENCY TOKENS LISTED IN THIS CATALOG AS GRADED AND ENCAPSULATED BY PCGS, NGC, CAC GRADING, ANACS, ICG, PCGS CURRENCY, PMG, PCGS BANKNOTE GRADING, CMC OR ANY OTHER THIRD PARTY GRADING SERVICE ARE SOLD "AS-IS" EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH HEREIN AND MAY NOT BE RETURNED FOR ANY REASON WHATSOEVER BY ANY BUYER. ALL THIRD PARTY GRADING SERVICE GUARANTEES, INCLUDING AUTHENTICITY, ARE THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE THIRD PARTY GRADING SERVICE AND NOT WARRANTIES OR GUARANTEES OF THE AUCTIONEER. BUYERS SHOULD CONTACT THESE THIRD PARTY GRADING SERVICES DIRECTLY WITH RESPECT TO ANY CLAIMS OR QUESTIONS THEY MAY HAVE CONCERNING THEIR GUARANTEES AND WARRANTIES. BUYERS ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT AUCTIONEER IS NOT BOUND BY OR LIABLE FOR ANY OPINION OR CERTIFICATION BY ANY THIRD PARTY GRADING SERVICE.

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b. In the case of non-certified coins, currency and cryptocurrency tokens that have neither been examined by the Buyer prior to the Auction Sale, nor purchased by the Buyer or Buyer's agent at the Auction Sale, if it is determined in a review by Stack's Bowers that there is a material error in the catalog description of a non-certified coin, currency, or cryptocurrency token such lot may be returned, provided written notice is received by Stack's Bowers no later than seventy-two (72) hours of delivery of the lots in question, and such lots are returned and received by Stack's Bowers, in their original, sealed containers, no later than fourteen (14) calendar days after delivery, in the same condition the lot(s) were delivered to the Buyer, time being of the essence. Non-certified coins, currency and cryptocurrency tokens that have been either examined by the Buyer prior to the Auction Sale or purchased by the Buyer or Buyer's agent at the Auction Sale, will not be granted return privileges, except for authenticity.

c. All non-certified coins and currency are guaranteed to be genuine.

d. All certified and non-certified cryptocurrency tokens are guaranteed to be genuine only. Auctioneer disclaims any guaranty of any kind with respect to cryptocurrency tokens, including, but not limited to: face value, the contents or existence of any accounts, wallets, or other physical, digital or other receptacles of value, the existence of a cryptographic private key, or the ability to fund any cryptocurrency. Actual cryptocurrency value is neither confirmed nor guaranteed by Auctioneer.

If an item or items are returned pursuant to the terms herein, they must be housed in their original, sealed and unopened container.

e. Late remittance or removal of any item from its original container or third party graded holder, or altering a coin constitutes just cause for revocation of all return privileges.

f. Grading or condition of rare coins, currency and cryptocurrency tokens may have a material effect on the value of the item(s) purchased, and the opinion of others (including independent grading services) may differ with the independent grading services opinion or interpretation of Stack's Bowers. Stack's Bowers shall not be bound by any prior, or subsequent opinion, determination or certification by any independent grading service.

g. Questions regarding the minting of a coin as a "proof" or as a "business strike" relate to the method of manufacture and not to authenticity.

h. All oral and written statements made by Stack's Bowers and its employees or agents (including affiliated and related companies) are statements of opinion only, and are not warranties or representations of any kind, unless stated as a specific written warranty, and no employee or agent of Stack's Bowers has authority to vary or alter these Terms and Conditions of Auction Sale. Stack's Bowers reserves the right to vary or alter the Terms of Sale, either generally or with respect to specific persons or circumstances, in its sole discretion. Any variation or alteration shall be effective only if in writing and signed by an officer of Stack's Bowers authorized to do so.

i. Stack's Bowers is acting as an auctioneer. Title to the lots purchased passes directly from the Consignor to the Buyer. Accordingly, Stack's Bowers is not making, and disclaims, any warranty of title.

j. Bidders shall have no recourse against the Consignor for any reason whatsoever.

k. Bidder acknowledges that the numismatic and cryptocurrency token market is speculative, unregulated and volatile, and that prices may rise or fall over time. Stack's Bowers does not guarantee or represent that any customer buying for investment purposes will be able to sell for a profit in the future.

l. Bidder acknowledges and agrees that neither Stack's Bowers, nor its employees, affiliates, agents, third-party providers or consignors warrant that auctions will be uninterrupted, error free and accordingly shall not be liable for such events.

11. Waiver and Release. Bidder, for themselves, their heirs, agents, successors and assignees, generally and specifically waives and releases, and forever discharges Stack's Bowers, and its respective affiliates, parents, officers, directors, shareholders, agents, subsidiaries, employees, managers and members and each of them, and their respective successors and assignees from any and all claims, rights, demands and causes of actions and suits, of whatever kind or nature, including but not limited to claims based upon Auctioneer's negligence, whether in law or equity, tort or otherwise, whether known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected (a "Claim"), which Bidder may assert with respect to and/or arising out of, or in connection with any challenge to the title to or authenticity of any goods purchased, the sale itself, any lot bid upon or consigned, and/or the auction, except where such Claim is otherwise expressly authorized in these Terms of Sale. It is the intention of Bidder that this waiver and release shall be effective as a bar to each and every Claim that may arise hereunder or be related to the Auction Sale, and Bidder hereby knowingly and

voluntarily waives any and all rights and benefits otherwise conferred upon him or her by the provisions of Section 1542 of the California Civil Code, which reads in full as follows:

"A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS WHICH THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE, WHICH IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER MUST HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY."

12. Disputes. If a dispute arises concerning ownership of a lot or concerning proceeds of any sale, Stack's Bowers reserves the right to commence a statutory inter-pleader proceeding at the expense of the Consignor and Buyer and any other applicable party, and in such event shall be entitled to its reasonable attorneys' fees and costs. Stack's Bowers reserves the right to cancel or postpone the Auction Sale or any session thereof for any reason whatsoever. No Bidder shall have any claim as a result thereof, including for incidental or consequential damages. Neither Stack's Bowers nor any affiliated or related company shall be responsible for incidental or consequential damages arising out of any failure of the Terms of Sale, the auction or the conduct thereof and in no event shall such liability exceed the purchase price, premium, or fees paid. Rights granted to Bidders under the within Terms and Conditions of Auction Sale are personal and apply only to the Bidder who initially purchases the lot(s) from Stack's Bowers. The rights may not be assigned or transferred to any other person or entity, whether by sale of the lot(s), operation of law or otherwise. Any attempt to assign or transfer any such rights shall be absolutely void and unenforceable. No third party may rely on any benefit or right conferred by these Terms and Conditions of Auction Sale.

Any dispute arising out of or related to these Terms of Sale, the Auction Sale or any lot, with the sole exception of actions by Stack's Bowers to collect amounts owed to it and other damages, shall be submitted to binding arbitration pursuant to the commercial arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association, with any arbitration hearing to occur in Orange County, California. Absent an agreement of the parties, the arbitrator shall limit discovery to that which is necessary to enable the hearing to proceed efficiently. The arbitrator shall not have the power to award punitive or consequential damages, nor alter, amend modify any of the terms of this Agreement. The award by the arbitrator, if any, may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. Each party shall pay one-half the costs of the arbitration. Bidder acknowledges and agrees that the competent courts of the State of California shall have exclusive in personam jurisdiction, subject to the requirement to arbitrate, over any dispute(s) arising hereunder, regardless of any party's current or future residence or domicile. Bidder further agrees that venue of the arbitration proceeding shall be in Orange County, California; and any court proceeding shall be in the Orange County Superior Court, in the State of California, and in each case waive any claim of Forum Non Conveniens. Bidder agrees that any arbitration or legal action with respect to this Auction Sale is barred unless commenced within one (1) year of the date of this Auction Sale. AUCTION PARTICIPANTS EXPRESSLY WAIVE ANY RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY.

13. General Terms. These Terms and Conditions of Auction Sale and the auction shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, and governed by, the laws of the State of California, regardless of the location of the Auction Sale. These Terms of Sale and the information on the Stack's Bowers' website constitute the entire agreement between the parties hereto on the subject matter hereof and supersede all other agreements, understandings, warranties and representations concerning the subject matter hereof. If any section of these Terms of Auction Sale or any term or provision of any section is held to be invalid, void, or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining sections or terms and provisions of a section shall continue in full force and effect without being impaired or invalidated in any way. Stack's Bowers may at its sole and absolute discretion, make loans or advances to Consignors and/or Bidders.

14. Non-English Translation. The non-English translations are provided as a matter of convenience. In the event of a conflict, all English Terms and Conditions and lot descriptions take precedence and are binding.

Bidding in this auction sale constitutes unconditional acceptance by the Bidder of the foregoing Terms of Sale.

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