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GOLD (lots nos. 1-51 are gold)

Gold coins of the Ancient World

1. **KIDARITE: Salanivira**, 5th century, AV dinara (7.89g), usual types, ruler's name at right on reverse, Mitchiner 3634-35, very fine, R \$350

Gold coins of the Islamic Dynasties

- ABBASID: al-Mu'tasim**, 833-842, AV dinar, (4.08g) Madinat al-Salam 220, A-225, good extremely fine \$450
- al-Musta'sim**, 1242-1258, AV broad dinar (7.56g), Madinat al-Salam 642, choice very fine \$370
- 'AMIRID of Valencia: 'Abd al-Malik**, 1061-1065, AV fractional dinar (1.34g), no mint or date, A-377, very fine (additional specimens available) \$180
- FATIMID: al-Mustansir**, 1036-1094, AV 1/4 dinar (0.97g), (Siqi)lliya 432, very fine, S \$150
- ABBASID of the Yemen: al-Muqtadir**, 908-932, AV dinar (1.89g), San'a 307, A-1058, extremely fine \$300
- same ruler**, AV dinar (1.92g), San'a 313, A-1058, choice extremely fine \$300
- SULAYHID: Queen 'Arwa**, 1091-1138, in the name of her deceased father al-Mukarram, AR 1/2 dinar (1.21g), Dhu Jibla 487, A-1078, extremely fine \$125
- SAMANID: Nuh I**, 943-954, AV dinar (3.24g), Amul 343, ruler with title *al-malik al-mu'ayyad* and caliph al-Mustakfi, A-1454, very fine but slightly uneven, RR \$400
- Nuh II**, 976-997, AV dinar (4.19g), Nishapur 383, citing Abu 'Ali, A-1468, good very fine \$220

- GHAZNAVID: Bahramshah**, 1117-1157, AV dinar (3.92g), (Ghazna) 5xx, A-1651, pale gold, virtually unknown with legible mint or date, very fine, R \$150
 - GREAT SELJUQ: Alp Arslan**, 1063-1072, AV dinar (4.17g), Marw 459, A-1671, good very fine \$185
 - Malikshah I**, 1072-1092, AV dinar (3.87g), Isfahan 477, A-1674, extremely fine, some weakness \$150
 - KHWARIZMISHAH: Il-Arslan**, 1156-1172, AV dinar (2.79g), (Khwarizm) 564, date somewhat weak but certain, citing caliph al-Mustanjid, A-1710, crude very fine, R \$175
 - LU'LU'ID: Rukn al-Din Isma'il**, 1258-1261, AV dinar (4.98g), al-Mawsil 659, citing the Great Mongol Möngke as overlord, A-1877, vf, very slightly crimped, RR \$500
 - ILKHAN: Abu Sa'id**, 1316-1335, AV dinar (7.95g), Sabzawar, khani year 33 (weak), type H, A-2216, very fine (photo missing) \$300
 - QAJAR: Fath 'Ali Shah**, 1797-1834, AV toman (4.56g), Khuy 1232, K753, nearly extremely fine but slightly uneven, lovely type, S \$200
 - same ruler**, AV imitation toman (3.89g), "Yazd", blundered date (but type as Yazd 1232-1235), jeweler's imitation from the time or slightly later, extremely fine, ex-mount \$100
 - OTTOMAN: Süleyman I**, 1520-1566, AV sultani (3.47g), Sidrekipsi (=Siderokastron in Greece), 926, choice xf \$200
 - Murad III**, 1574-1595, AV sultani (3.47g), Khanja (=Gümüşhane in north central Anatolia), 982, extremely fine, scarce mint for type \$550
- Modern & Miscellaneous Gold**
- IRAN: K988**, toman, 1314, uncirculated, very rare type, unusually nice strike \$850
 - KHIVA: Muhamad Amin Khan**, 1845-1855, AV 1/2 tilla (2.26g), Khwarizm 1260, clearly dated 1260 on both sides, though most reference give his first year as 1261 (!), A-3082, extremely fine, RRR \$850
 - TURKEY: K746**, AV 500 piastres, monnaie de luxe (35.74g), 1293, year 27, jeweler's copy, not an original, uncirculated \$320
- Gold Coins of India**
- PALAS of Varendra: AV dinara** based on Gupta prototype, fine style, no inscription on obv (5.69g), Mitchiner 4923, Mukherjee, *Post-Gupta Coinage*, plate II:1, good very fine \$600
 - VANGA: AV dinara** of Gupta inspiration (5.39g), *sri* to upper left and right obv, Mitchiner 4924, Mukherjee II:7, extremely fine \$500
(two specimens available)
 - KADAMBA of Goa: Jayakesin I**, 1050-1080, or II, 1104-1147/48, AV pagoda (4.39g), date formula *pramada*, Mitchiner, *South India*, #237, extremely fine \$500
 - Soyideva**, 1216-1237/38, AV pagoda (4.29g), as Mitchiner 242 but additional inscription after name, crude ex. fine \$550
 - KADAMBA of Hangal: Toyimadeva**, 1048-1075, AV pagoda (4.26g), finest style, dot-in-annulet symbol above lion's rump, variant not in Mitchiner, choice extremely fine but one small test mark, R \$700
 - WESTERN CHALUKYA: probably Jagadekamalla**, 1015-1043, AV dinar (3.40g), punchmarked type with Hanuman in center, appears unpublished, but cf. Mitchiner 275-276 for similar style & fabric, from a hoard said to have contained about 40-45 pieces, extremely fine \$550
another, 3.42g, also xf \$550
a third example, 3.46g, nearly xf \$500
 - VIJAYANAGAR: Hari Hari I**, 1336-1356, AV pagoda (3.23g), running figure with dagger at side, Mitchiner 378, xf/vf, probably scarce \$180
 - GHORID: Mu'izz al-Din**, 1171-1206, AV heavy dinar (22.29g), (Ghazna), date obsucre, variant of A-1761, very fine but some weakness, R so heavy \$950



31. *same ruler*, AV dinar (3.91g), Herat 601, clear mint, most of date clear (reading indisputable), "vf" but half flat struck as typical of this period, A-1763, **RR** \$200
32. **Taj al-Din Yildiz**, 1206-1215, AV dinar (4.39g and 4.71g), (Davar, by type and die-link to only known die for type), 608, clear date on both specimens, A-1791.2, crude vf, **RR**, each specimen \$300
33. **DELHI Sultanate: Muhammad III**, 1325-1351, AV dinar (12.82g), Delhi 728, Rajgor #1211, extremely fine \$550
34. **Ghiyath al-Din Mahmud**, 1351, AV tanka (10.69g), no mint name, 752, Rajgor 1237, good fine, not especially scarce despite his short "reign" \$375
35. **Firuz III**, 1351-1388, AV tanka (10.87g), Delhi, uncertain date, perhaps 762, Rajgor 1281, fine \$300
36. **GUJARAT: Mahmud III**, 1537-1554, AV tanka (11.97g and 11.95g), no mint name, 952, choice ex. fine, each \$650
37. **KULBARGA: Firuz Shah**, 1397-1422, AV tanka (10.96g), without name of mint, 805, lovely type not listed by Rajgor, nearly extremely fine, **RRR** \$2000
38. **MADURA: Muhammad Damghan Shah**, 1340-1344, AV tanka (11.62g), Daulatabad 741, unlisted year for extremely rare type, Rajgor 2939, first I have seen, extremely fine but small trace of mount removal at edge, **RRR** \$8500
39. **MUGHAL Empire: Akbar**, 1556-1605, AV square mohur (10.72g), Fathpur 989, K-112.x, unlisted mint for type, good fine, **RRR** \$650
40. *same ruler*, AV mohur (10.86g), Shehirpatan 984, appears to be unpublished mint for type, good very fine, **RRR** \$1250
41. **Jahangir**, 1605-1628, AV mohur (10.73g), zodiac type, Taurus obverse, Agra 1030, year 16, KM180.5, genuine original, not the later restrike, nearly very fine, somewhat weak on obverse, appears to have been in jewelry but no significant traces of damage, **RR** \$2000
42. **Muhammad Shah**, 1719-1748, AV 1/2 mohur (5.40g), Shahjahanabad, year 12 (partly off flan), K-437A.1, good very fine, **RR** \$700
43. *same ruler*, AV 1/2 mohur (5.49g), Sind, year 12, K-437A.2, good very fine on full flan, **RR** \$1300
44. **Alamgir II**, 1754-1759, AV mohur (10.83g), Lahore 1169, year 2, K467.7, nearly extremely fine \$300
45. **Shah Jahan III**, 1759-1760, AV mohur (11.05g), (Surat, not visible on coin but confirmed by mint mark), year one, nearly extremely fine, **RR** \$1000
46. **JAIPUR: K77**, AV mohur (10.86g) in name of Muhammad Akbar II, extremely fine \$250
47. K102, AV mohur (10.85g) in name of Bahadur Shah II, 125(3), year one, extremely fine \$260
48. K150, AV mohur (10.88g) in name of Victoria & Madho Singh, year 10, choice extremely fine \$225
49. **NABHA (Sikh Empire): K—**, AV mohur (10.56g) with the branch symbol of Jaswant Singh (as rupee C20.3), dated VS [18]89, extremely fine, **RRR** \$2600
50. K—, AV mohur (9.87g) of Bharpur Singh (1846-1863), as Y-A2 but in the name of Guru Gobind Singh instead of Ahmad Shah Durrani, date "3", probably for VS 1903, which falls within the period of Bharpur's vassalage under the Sikhs (1845-1847), nearly unc, clear mint name, **RRR** \$2500
51. **RAJKOT: Y1**, AV nazarana mohur (7.93g), 1945, brilliant uncirculated, **R** \$500
- ANCIENT NEAR EAST**
52. **MACEDON: Alexander III the great**, BC 336-323, AR tetradrachm (17.17g), Amphipolis mint, good extremely fine \$450
53. **SASANIAN: Ardashir I**, 224-241, AR drachm (4.48g), the usual type Göbl #9 but with miniscule bust, extremely fine \$250
54. **Shahpur I**, 241-272, AR drachm (3.91g), Göbl 23 (the common type), dots to either side of altar base, good extremely fine with superb protrait \$200
55. *same ruler*, AR drachm (4.24g), very rare type without earflap on helmet, Göbl #30, good extremely fine, fine style \$750
56. **Vishtahm**, ca. 591-597, AR drachm (4.11g), RD mint (Rayy), year 4, Göbl #205, choice extremely fine, **RR** \$600
- ISLAMIC DYNASTIES**
57. **ARAB-SASANIAN: Khusraw type**, AR drachm (3.98g), WH mint (Veh-Ardashir in Iraq), year 25, A-4, extremely fine, rare mint \$250
58. *same series*, AR drachm (4.04g), WH mint as last, year 37 (of Yazdigerd era), extremely fine, **R** \$250

59. *same series*, AR drachm (3.82g), RD mint (Rayy), year 28, with countermark #21 and another unlisted cmk, extremely rare mint for Arab-Sasanian coinage, vf-xf, very clear countermarks, **RR** \$400
60. *same series*, AR drachm (3.59g), RYW mint (Rishahr? in Fars province), year 35, good very fine, very rare mint, also read as BYW and only tentatively assigned to Rishahr, **RR** \$250
61. **'Ubayd Allah b. Ziyad**, 674-683, AR drachm (3.96g), DSh mint (Dasht Maysan), year 62, choice extremely fine, **R** \$250
62. **Humran b. Aban**, 691, AR drachm (3.52g), ART mint (Ardashir Khurra), AH 72, A-23, technically extremely fine but much light porosity due to careful removal of surface encrustation, **RR** \$500
63. **al-Hajjaj b. Yusuf**, 694-713, AR drachm (3.97g), YZ mint (Yazd), year 81, Gaube #50, very fine, **RR** \$350
64. **Farrukhzad**, mid-690s, AE fals (0.37g), mint name Ardashir Khurra written out in full in Pahlavi, undated, A-41, vf-xf, **S** \$125
65. **UMAYYAD: Anonymous AR dirham** (2.44g), Abarshahr 95, very fine but clipped around margin \$170
66. **ABBASID REVOLUTION: 'Imran b. Isma'il**, local governor in Sijistan, AE fals (3.29g), Sijistan 136, inscribed *sittin bi-dirham* (sixty to a dirham), A-B209, otherwise apparently unpublished, crude vf, **RR** \$200
67. **ABBASID: al-Ma'mun**, 810-833, AR dirham (2.72g), al-Basra 198, citing *dhu'l-yaminayn*, the title of Tahir b. al-Husayn, founder of the Tahirid dynasty, A-223.4, good very fine, **RR** \$250
68. **Kings of CORDOBA: Hamdin b. Muhammad**, 1145-1146, AR qirat (0.96g), Qurtuba, undated, A-A407, superb extremely fine, **R** \$150
69. **Kings of MURCIA: al-Wathiq Muhammad**, 1237-1238 & 1262-1269, AR dirham (1.54g), no mint or date, A-409, extremely fine, **R** \$250
70. **IKSHIDID: Muhammad b. Tughj**, known as al-Ikshid, 935-946, AR dirham (2.71g), Filastin 332, A-675, very fine, some weakness but unusually nice for series, **RR** \$450
71. **FATIMID: al-Mahdi**, 909-934, AR sudayisi (0.47g), 'Athar, undated, rare mint in modern Saudi Arabia, A-A1067, extremely fine, light chip, **RR** \$250
72. **AYYUBID: al-Nasir Yusuf I (Saladin)**, 1169-1193, AR dirham (3.00g), Dimashq 585, with title *sultan al-islam wa al-muslimin*, said to have been granted him in reward for his conquest of Jerusalem from the Crusaders, Balog #96, choice extremely fine, **RR** \$300
73. **AYYUBID of the Yemen: al-Mas'ud Yusuf**, 1215-1229, AR dirham (2.12g), Sana'a 620, xf, slightly crude \$120
74. **SELJUQ of Rum: Qilij Arslan IV**, 2nd reign, 1257-1265, AR dirham (2.90g), Sarus 659, A-1230, very fine, **R** \$100
75. **DANISHMANDID: Muhammad**, in Malatya, 1162-1170 & 1175-1178, AE dirham (13.26g), no mint name, 558, A-1241.1, choice vf-xf \$750
76. **SAMANID: Ahmad b. Asad**, 819-864, AE fals (1.82g), Samarqand 245, A-1440, good very fine, **RR** \$175
77. **Ya'qub b. Ahmad**, fl. 878-879, AE fals (3.34g), al-Shash 265, A-A1442, about very fine, **RRR** \$300
78. **AMIR of BUST: Takantash**, fl. 977-979, AE broad fals (6.08g), Bust 369, without overlord, A-E1478, very fine, full strike, uneven patination, **RRR** \$250
79. **Empire of the KHAZARS: AR dirham** (3.31g) imitating a dirham of the Abbasid caliph al-Mu'tadid (892-902), crude extremely fine \$185
80. *similar*, AR dirham (2.94g), imitating a Samarqand mint dirham of uncertain Abbasid caliph, good very fine \$200
81. **KHWARIZM SHAH: Mangubarni**, 1220-1231, AR dirham (3.49g), unknown mint (no known specimen of type shows the mint!), 6xx (probably 62x), A-1744, previously unreported variant of this type, crude extremely fine, **RRR** \$500
82. *another specimen* (4.78g), none of date showing, extremely fine but 1/3 flat struck, **RRR** \$350
83. **QARLUQID: al-Hasan Qarlugh**, 1224-1249, AR tanka (11.02g), [struck at Ghazna, but mint name never written on coin] 633, A-1813.2, good very fine, **RR** with date \$140
84. *same type*, AR tanka (10.89g), [Ghazna] 634, very fine, part flat but date still bold, **RR** \$115
another, f-vf, bold date \$115
85. **ARTUKID of Mardin: Qara Arslan**, 1260-1294, AR dirham (2.96g), Mardin 660, citing Hulagu as overlord, A-1837, very fine, **RR** \$125





- 86. **ZANGID of Halab: al-Salih Isma'il**, 1174-1181, AR dirham (2.84g, 2.81g, 2.86g), Halab 572, A-1862, good very fine, **R**, each \$125
 - 87. **GREAT MONGOLS: Chingiz Khan**, 1206-1227, AR dirham (3.14g), [Ghazna] ND, A-1967, vf-xf \$400
another (2.87g), vf, cleaned, not illustrated \$275
 - 88. *temp.* **Ögedei**, 1227-1241, AR dirham (2.66g), bow type, mint & date off flan (if any), good very fine \$100
 - 89. **ILKHAN: Abu Sa'id**, 1316-1335, AR 6 dirhams (8.46g), Bahraza, khani year 33, mint written as a wavy line (the name of the city means "wave-making"), ex. fine, **RR** \$200
 - 90. **Shahs of BADAQSHAN: Shah Baha al-Din**, fl. 1344-1358, AR dinar (7.74g), Badakhshan ND, A-2015, very fine but much weakness, **R** \$125
 - 91. **TIMURID: Ulugh Beg I**, 1447-1449, AR tanka (4.99g), Sabzawar 852, good very fine, **R** \$150
 - 92. **MUSHA'SHA': Fallah b. al-Muhsin**, fl. 1500, AR 1/2 "tanka" (1.87g), Shushtar 906, A-2565, crude vf, **RR** \$150
 - 93. **SAFAVID: Isma'il I**, 1501-1524, AR 2 shahi (18.66g), Simnan 912, A-2575, vf-xf, **RR** \$225
 - 94. **Sulayman**, 1666-1694, AR 10 shahi (18.08g), Isfahan 1087, K227, vf, neatly plugged, one shroff mark \$300
 - 95. *same ruler*, AR 20 shahi (36.35g), Isfahan 1096, very fine and never mounted, rare thus \$900
 - 96. **AFSHARID: 'Adil Shah**, 1747-1748, AR 2 rupi (23.13g), Mashhad 1160, K404.2, good very fine+ \$140
 - 97. **Ibrahim**, as king, 1748-1749, AR abbasi (4.55g), Tiflis 1162, K416, good very fine, **R** \$120
 - 98. **Nadir Mirza**, 1796-1803, AR rupi (11.32g), Mashhad, date off flan, not yet in KM, A-2785, vf-xf, **RR** \$175
 - 99. **ZAND: Karim Khan**, 1753-1779, AR abbasi (2.98g), Ganja 1189, A-2844, cmk'd rayij, xf on nearly xf, **R** \$120
 - 100. **DURRANI: Taimur Shah**, 1772-1793, AR rupee (11.44g), Bhakkar 1189, K239a, vf/xf \$125
- MODERN & MISCELLANEOUS**
- 101. **ALGIERS: K59**, AR 1/3 budju (3.36g), 1223, good vf \$275
 - 102. **ANNAM: Sch. 350.2**, AR 1/4 lang (9.44g) of Tu Duc (1848-1883), vf-xf, **R** \$300
 - 103. Sch. 351b, AR 2 tien (7.81), same ruler, ex. fine, **R** \$230
 - 104. **EGYPT: K242**, AE 10 para with flower (Cairo mint), 1277, year 8, good very fine, **RR** \$650
 - 105. **HARAR: K2**, AE mahallak (4.57g), 1204, choice very fine \$125
 - 106. **IRAN: K-M4**, AR toman, 50th anniversary of reign, 1313, choice extremely fine, **R** \$900
 - 107. K972, 1000 dinars, 1318, good ex. fine, nice strike, **RR** \$325
 - 108. K1010, 500 dinars, 1326, choice xf, **R** \$225
 - 109. **KRIM: C138a**, AE kyrmis (66.11g), 1191, year 5, A-2118, extremely fine, rare in this grade \$300
 - 110. **MUKALLA: K2**, khumsi, 1276, good very fine \$120
 - 111. **TURKEY: K397**, piastre (18.97g), toughra begins with 'abd below, 1187, year 1, little wear, much weakness but as struck, **R** \$160
 - 112. K539, piastre of Mustafa IV (12.93g), 1222, year 1, xf, **RR** \$750
 - 113. K703, piastre, 1277, year 1, Bursa city visit, good vf, **R** \$150
- COINAGE OF INDIA**
- 114. **BENGAL: Ali Mardin**, sultan, 1210-1212, AR tanka (10.47g), without mint and date, Rajgor #113, full name of ruler showing, crude ex. fine, carefully cleaned, **RRR** \$2600
 - 115. **Mahmud Shah III**, 1433-1459, AR tanka (10.68g), Khazana, type of year 849, lion left, Rajgor 335, nearly extremely fine, 4 shroff marks, **RR** \$600
 - 116. **GUJARAT: Mahmud I**, 1459-1511, AR 1/2 tanka (5.54g), Muhammadabad urf Champanir, 902, R2210, nearly extremely fine with full mint & date, **R** \$100
 - 117. **MUGHAL Empire: Shah Alam I**, 1707-1712, AR nazarana rupe (11.88g), unpublished, Akbarabad 1123, year 5, choice extremely fine, **RRR** \$1200
 - 118. **Rafi-ud-Darjat**, 1719, AR rupee (11.49g), Allahabad, year one, K405.x, unlisted mint for type, good vf, **RRR** \$450
 - 119. **Muhammad Shah**, 1719-1748, AR rupee (11.18g), Qamar-nagar 1155, year 25, K436.51, nearly vf, **R** \$200
 - 120. **ANANDGARH (Sikh): K30**, rupee (11.15g), VS1841, year one, choice nearly uncirculated, **S** \$175
 - 121. *similar*, AR rupee (11.10g), not quite as nice \$150
 - 122. **BHARATPUR: K157**, rupee (11.13g), VS1910, portrait of Queen Victoria, extremely fine \$100

- 123. **MYSORE: K-B125**, 1/16 rupee or kazimi (0.70g), Patan, 1226, year 16, good very fine, **RR** \$230
- 124. K-D125, 1/4 rupee or baqiri (2.83g), Patan 1217, year 7, choice extremely fine, **RR** \$250
- 125. K125, 1/2 rupee or abidi (5.69g), patan 1215, year 5, choice extremely fine, **R** \$250
- 126. K127, 2 rupees or haidari (22.78g), Patan 1200, year 4, choice extremely, old dark toning, **R** \$800
- 127. **NABHA: Y1.1**, rupee (10.66g), VS 1903, unlisted date, very fine, reverse scraped, **R** \$200
- 128. *same type*, VS1908 on obverse, 1909 on reverse, vf, **RR** \$275
- 129. **GOA (Portuguese): K158**, 1/2 pardao (2.66g), 1772, unlisted date, very fine \$175
- 130. K279, rupia (10.93g), 1855, unlisted date, good vf \$150

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 Santa Rosa 1998, 151 pages, softcover.

Coming soon: A reprint of Richard Plant's most useful, *Arabic Coins and how to Read them*. I've pre-ordered 100 copies and hope to have them in a few months. Spink is doing the reprint and confirmed their decision to me just a few days ago.

COMMENTARY (25 April 2000) — Collectors and scholars of South Asian coins now have their own egroup. It's free, it's fun, it's becoming very informative, subscribe by sending a blank email to: southasia-coins-subscribe@egroups.com

The energy behind the egroup is provided by Chicago collector Satya Bhupatiraju, whom I congratulate for doing a great job and taking on quite a load of work.

I leave next Monday (1 May) for three months' sojourn at Oxford, where I hope to complete a third volume of the Ashmolean syllage, this one the volume on the Arab-Sasanian and Arab-Byzantine coins. I will handle the Arab-Sasanian and collector/scholar Tony Goodwin will edit the Arab-Byzantine portion. Goodwin has been engaged in die-studies of much of the Syrian Arab-Byzantine coinage, and is planning to publish some quite exciting results in the near future.

I'm back in the business of stocking new titles on Islamic and Indian numismatics, and keep my booklist current, as best I can. I intend to start my website, at first for books only, in the middle of August.

