



- 557 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Silver Obol, 0.45g, AP mint. Bust of Yazdgard I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos, letters “a p” to right. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants (SNS type Ia1/1a; Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 896, this coin). Toned, choice very fine. *Very rare.* \$ 500

ex Peus, Auction 323, 1988, lot 988



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- 558 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 3.99g, AW (Ohrmazd-Ardashir). Bust of Yazdgard I on floral ornament right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, inscription “aw” to left of flames (SNS type Ib1/1a (pl. 47, 16); Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 1134; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 897, this coin). Elegant style, nicely toned, superb extremely fine. \$ 500
- 559 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 4.17g, AW (Ohrmazd-Ardashir). Bust of Yazdgard I on floral ornament right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, inscription on altar shaft and letters “aw” to right of flames (SNS type Ib1/1a (pl. 47, 14); Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 1135; Paruck -; Saeedi 232; Sunrise 898, this coin). Lustrous surfaces and lightly toned, superb extremely fine. \$ 500



- 560 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 3.59g, DALAPK (Darabgird). Bust of Yazdgard I on floral ornament right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos, letters “da” behind head. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, inscription on altar shaft and to right of flames (SNS type Ib2/1a (pl. 50, 45); Göbl type I/1; Mochiri, *Petite* 17; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 899, this coin). A couple areas of weakness on the reverse as struck, fully lustrous, mint state. \$ 750

The legend on the reverse reads “Atas Vamsahr Yazdgird az Darabgird” (Fire of Ramsubr Yazdgird from Darabgird), see M. I. Modhiri, *Petite Liste de Quelques Ateliers Sassanides, Yazdgard I #17*, published by the British Institute of Persian Studies, 1996.



- 561 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 4.00g, HLYDY (Herat). Bust of Yazdgard I, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos, letters “յճ” behind crown on the second line, with the remaining letters of “յճեր” above the shoulder on right. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, inscription on altar shaft (SNS type Ia2/1a (pl. 51, A30); Göbl type I/1 (pl. 9, 146); Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 900, this coin). A nice bold strike, toned, choice very fine. *Extremely rare two line legend.* \$ 500



- 562 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 3.56g, HLYDY (Herat). Bust of Yazdgard I, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos, letters “յճ” behind crown. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, inscription on altar shaft (SNS type Ia2/1a; Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 901, this coin). Toned, very fine. *Extremely rare two-line legend.* \$ 400



- 563 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 4.06g, KALCY[DY] (Karzi). Bust of Yazdgard I on floral ornament right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, inscription “ka” to left of flames and “րչ” on altar shaft (SNS type Ib2/1a (pl. 52, A35 var (long form of mintname)); Göbl type I/1; Mochiri, *Petite* -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 902, this coin). Lustrous, superb extremely fine. \$ 500



- 564 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 3.91g, KAL[CYDY] (Karzi). Bust of Yazdgard I on floral ornament right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos, two-line legend on right and three-line on left. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, inscription on altar shaft (SNS type Ib2/1a; Göbl type I/1; Mochiri, *Petite* -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 903, this coin). Toned, choice very fine. *Unique.* \$ 1,000

The legend on the reverse reads “Atas Vamsahr Yazdgard az Darabgard” (Fire of Ramsubr Yazdgard from Darabgard), see M. I. Modhiri, *Petite Liste de Quelques Ateliers Sassanides, Yazdgard I #17*, published by the British Institute of Persian Studies, 1996.



- 565 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 4.18g, “RW/DY” mint. Bust of Yazdgard I on floral ornament right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos, letter “lw” (or “rv”) behind head, double line legend in right field. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, inscription to left and right of flames and on altar shaft (SNS type Ib2/1a (cf. pl. 50, A20); Göbl type I/1; Mochiri, *Petite* -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 904, this coin). Lustrous, superb extremely fine. \$ 1,200

The legend on the reverse reads “Atas Vamsahr Yazdgird az Darabgird” (Fire of Ramsubr Yazdgird from Darabgird), see M. I. Modhiri, *Petite Liste de Quelques Ateliers Sassanides*, Yazdgard I #17, published by the British Institute of Persian Studies, 1996.



- 566 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 3.75g, “RW/DY” mint. Bust of Yazdgard I on floral ornament right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos, double line legend in right field. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, inscription to left of flames and on altar shaft (SNS type Ib2/1a (pl. 51, A25 corr. (mint); Göbl type I/1; Morchiri, *Petite* -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 905, this coin). Extremely fine, lightly toned. Rare. \$ 1,000

The legend on the reverse reads “Atas Vamsahr Yazdgird az Darabgird” (Fire of Ramsubr Yazdgird from Darabgird), see M. I. Modhiri, *Petite Liste de Quelques Ateliers Sassanides*, Yazdgard I #17, published by the British Institute of Persian Studies, 1996.



- 567 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 4.13g, LWDY (RW/DY) mint. Bust of Yazdgard I on floral ornament right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos, double line legend in right field. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, inscription to left of flames and on altar shaft (SNS type Ib2/1a (pl. 51, A25 corr. (mint)); Göbl type I/1; Mochiri, *Petite* -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 906, this coin). Toned, about extremely fine. \$ 600



- 568 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 4.17g, LYW (RYW) (Rev-Ardashir). Bust of Yazdgard I on floral ornament right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, inscription to left and right, on altar shaft, and to left of flames, crescent to right (SNS type Ib1/1a var 3; Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 907, this coin). Lustrous, superb extremely fine. \$ 750



- 569 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Gold Heavyweight Dinar, 7.05g, Merv. Bust of Yazdgard I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos, pseudo-legend to right. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, pseudo-legend on altar shaft, crescent to left of flames, pseudo-legend to right (SNS type Ia1/1a var. 2 (pl. 53, A48); Loginov & Nikitin 3, -; Göbl type I/1 (pl. 9, 145); Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 908, this coin). Choice very fine. *Extremely rare.* \$ 5,000



- 570 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Gold Heavyweight Dinar, 6.88g, Merv. Bust of Yazdgard I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos, pseudo-legend to right. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, pseudo-legend above (SNS type Ia1/2 (pl. 54, A49, same dies); Loginov & Nikitin 3, -; Göbl type I/3 (pl. 9, 150, same dies); Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 909, this coin). Lightly toned, choice very fine. *Very rare.* \$ 5,000



- 571 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Silver Obol, 0.53g, ST (Stakhr). Bust of Yazdgard I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos, inscription to right. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants (SNS type Ia1/1a; Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 910, this coin). *Extremely fine.* \$ 300



- 572 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Silver Obol, 0.47g, ST (Stakhr). Bust of Yazdgard I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos, inscription to right. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, crescent above pellet on either side of flames (cf SNS type Ia1/1a 4; Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 911, this coin). Lustrous, choice very fine. \$ 300



- 573 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgerd I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 3.97g, STH (Stakhr). Bust of Yazdgerd I on floral ornament right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos, double line inscription to right. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, inscription on altar shaft (SNS type Ib1/1a (pl. 53, A46 - this coin (wrong mint listed)); Göbl type I/1; Mochiri, *Petite* -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 912, this coin). Delicately toned, extremely fine. \$ 2,000

ex Spink, 12 October 1993, lot 445

ex Bellaria Collection, Triton VII, January 2004, lot 63



- 574 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgerd I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 4.10g, STHL (Stakhr). Bust of Yazdgerd I on floral ornament right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos, letter “s” behind head. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons; flanked by two attendants, inscription letter “s” to left of flames and on altar shaft (SNS type Ib2/1a; Göbl type I/1; Mochiri, *Petite* -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 913, this coin). Lustrous, extremely fine. \$ 500



- 575 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgerd I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 4.35g, WH (Veh-Andiyok-Shapur). Bust of Yazdgerd I on floral ornament right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, crescent to left of flames and inscription “w/b” to right and on altar shaft (SNS type Ib1/1a var 2 (pl. 54, 66); Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Göbl Coll. 5273; Sunrise 914, this coin). Lustrous and lightly toned, superb extremely fine. \$ 500



- 576 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgerd I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 4.30g, WH (Veh-Andiyok-Shapur). Bust of Yazdgerd I on floral ornament right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, Crescent and letter “w” left of flame and crescent and letter “b” right of flame, illegible inscription on altar shaft, crescents and letter flanking flames (SNS type Ib1/1a var. 4 (pl. 55, 67); Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 915, this coin). Lustrous, superb extremely fine. \$ 500



- 577 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Gold Dinar, 7.14g, Sind. Bust of Yazdgard I right, wearing crown with frontal crescent and korymbos, letter to right. Rev. Fire altar with ribbon, flanked by two attendants, each wearing mural crown with korymbos, pseudo-legend to each side of flames (SNS III pl. 145, C11; Paruck -; Sunrise 916, this coin). Lustrous, choice very fine or better. *Extremely rare.* \$ 5,000



- 578 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Silver Drachm, 4.11g, uncertain mint. Bust of Yazdgard I on floral ornament right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, inscription to left and right, and on altar shaft, illegible inscription to left of flames, letter to right (SNS type Ib1/1a; Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 917, this coin). Lustrous, superb extremely fine. \$ 500



- 579 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard I (AD 399-420). Gold Lightweight Dinar, 4.22g, uncertain mint. Bust of Yazdgard I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, inscription to left and right, and on altar shaft, crescents flanking flames (SNS type Iia/1a var. 4 (pl. 58, N5 - this coin); Göbl type II/1 (cf. pl. 9, 151); Paruck 308; Saeedi AV 65; Sunrise 918, this coin). About extremely fine. \$ 6,000

ex Peus 336, 28 April - 3 May 1993, lot 159
ex Bellaria Collection, Triton VII, January 2004, lot 634



- 580 Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran (Bahram) V (AD 420-438). Silver Obol, 0.29g, BSh mint, c. AD 420-425. Bust of Varhran V right on floral ornament, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent, letter behind crown, inscription "vrhran" to right. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants (SNS type Ib1/1; Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 919, this coin). Extremely fine, lightly toned. \$ 500



- 581 Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran (Bahram) V (AD 420-438). Silver Drachm, 4.12g, GW (Gurgan), c. AD 425-438. Bust of Varhran V right, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent. Rev. Fire altar with head of Varhran V right on shaft, flanked by two attendants, letters to left and right of shaft (SNS type Ia/2 (pl. 63, A17); Göbl type I/2 (pl. 9, 155); Mochiri 1378; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 920, this coin). Lustrous and delicately toned, nearly mint state. \$ 300



- 582 Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran (Bahram) V (AD 420-438). Silver Drachm, 2.92g, GY (RD) mint, c. AD 425-438. Bust of Varhran V right on floral ornament, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, pseudo-legend on altar shaft, letters to left of flames (SNS type Ib1/1 (unlisted mint); Göbl type I/2; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 921, this coin). About extremely fine. \$ 200



- 583 Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran (Bahram) V (AD 420-438). Silver Drachm, 3.93g, "GY" (or "RD"), c. AD 425-438. Bust of Varhran V right, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent. Rev. Fire altar with head of Varhran V right on shaft, flanked by two attendants, letters to left and right of shaft (SNS type Ia/2; Göbl type I/2; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 922, this coin). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 250



- 584 Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran (Bahram) V (AD 420-438). Gold Dinar, 6.99g, Merv, c. AD 425-438. Bust of Varhran V right on floral ornament, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent and inner ribbon. Rev. Fire altar with head of Varhran V right on shaft, flanked by two attendants (SNS type Ib2/2 (pl. 64, A29 ñ same dies); Loginov & Nikitin 3, -; Göbl type I/2; Paruck -; Saeedi AV68; Sunrise 923, this coin). Sharpness of extremely fine. *Very rare.* \$ 7,500

ex Sotheby's, 20 May 1986, lot 149
ex Bellaria Collection, Triton VII, January 2004, lot 636



- 585 Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran (Bahram) V (AD 420-438). Gold 1/6-Dinar, 0.69g, Merv, c. AD 425-438. Bust of Varhran V right on floral ornament, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent and inner ribbon(?). Rev. Fire altar with head of Varhran V right on shaft, flanked by two attendants (SNS type Ib2/2; Loginov & Nikitin 3, -; Göbl type I/2; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 924, this coin, otherwise an unpublished denomination for Varhran V). About extremely fine. \$ 3,000



- 586 Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran (Bahram) V (AD 420-438). Silver Drachm, 4.11g, Merv mint. Bust of Varhran V right on floral ornament, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent. Rev. Fire altar with head of Varhran V right on shaft, flanked by two attendants, inscription to left and right (SNS type Ib1/2 (pl. 67, 88); Göbl type I/2 (pl. 9, 157); Mochiri 132; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 925, this coin). Toned, about extremely fine. \$ 250
- 587 Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran (Bahram) V (AD 420-438). Silver Obol, 0.47g, ST (Stakhr), c. AD 425-428. Bust of Varhran V right, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent and inner ribbon, letter “*st*” behind crown and “*vrhran*” to right. Rev. Fire altar with head of Varhran V right on shaft, flanked by two attendants (cf SNS type Ia/2 (obv. bust type); Göbl type I/2; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 926, this coin). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 300



- 588 Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran (Bahram) V (AD 420-438). Gold Dinar 7.09g, Sind. Bust of Varhran V right, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent, letter to right. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, crescents flanking flames (cf SNS III pl. 145, C13-4 (additional letters before bust); Paruck -; Sunrise 927, this coin, otherwise apparently unpublished). Toned, choice very fine. \$ 2,500



- 589 Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran (Bahram) V (AD 420-438). Gold Dinar 7.09g, Sind. Bust of Varhran V right, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent, letters to right. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, crescents flanking flames (SNS III pl. 145, C14; Paruck -; Senior, *Coinage* 5; Sunrise 928, this coin). Toned, choice very fine. *Very rare.* \$ 4,000



- 590 Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran (Bahram) V (AD 420-438). Gold Dinar 7.07g, Sind. Bust of Varhran V right, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent, symbol and uncertain legend to right. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, crescents flanking flames (cf SNS III pl. 145, C15 (form of symbol); Paruck -; Sunrise 929, this coin). Toned, very fine. *Very rare.* \$ 2,500



- 591 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard II (AD 438-457). Gold Lightweight Dinar, 4.13g, AW (Ohrmazd-Ardashir), c. AD 438. Bust of Yazdgard II right, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent and inner ribbon. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, each raising arms, inscription flanking (SNS type Ic2/1 (pl. 70, A9); Göbl type I/2 (pl. 10, 163); Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 930, this coin). Nicely toned, extremely fine. *Extremely rare with prayer type reverse.* \$ 7,000

ex Spink, 12 October 1993, lot 447
ex Triton VII, January 2004, lot 637



- 592 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard II (AD 438-457). Silver Drachm, 4.16g, GW (Gurgan), c. AD 439-447. Bust of Yazdgard II right, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent and inner ribbon. Rev. Fire altar (flames 4) with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, each holding a staff, inscription flanking (SNS type Ia1/2a (pl. 71, 14); Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 1379; Paruck -; Saeedi 242; Sunrise 931, this coin). Superb extremely fine. \$ 300



- 593 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgerd II (AD 438-457). Silver Drachm, 3.82g, KA (Karzi), c. AD 438-447. Bust of Yazdgerd II right, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent and inner ribbon. Rev. Fire altar (flames 1) with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, each raising arms, inscription flanking right “ka” mintmark (SNS type Ia2/1; Göbl type I/2; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 932, this coin). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 200



- 594 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgerd II (AD 438-457). Gold Heavyweight Dinar, 7.00g, MLWY (Merv), or a local imitation. Bust of Yazdgerd II right on floral ornament, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, inscription flanking (SNS type Ib1/2a (pl. 76, N1 - this coin); Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi AV A72; Sunrise 933, this coin). Extremely fine, lightly toned. \$ 7,000
ex Bellaria Collection, Triton VII, January 2004), lot 639



- 595 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgerd II (AD 438-457). Silver Drachm, 4.22g, WH (Veh-Andiyok-Shapur), c. AD 438-447. Bust of Yazdgerd II right on floral ornament, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent and inner ribbon. Rev. Fire altar (flames 1) with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, each raising arms, inscription flanking (SNS type Ia2/1; Göbl type I/2; Mochiri 729; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 934, this coin). Extremely fine, no toning. \$ 200



- 596 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgerd II (AD 438-457). Silver Obol, 0.41g, uncertain mint, c. AD 447-457. Bust of Yazdgerd II right on floral ornament, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent and inner ribbon, inscription “kdiy Iyzdgerdy” (King Yazdgerd). Rev. Fire altar (flames 6) with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, each holding a staff, inscription on right (SNS type Ib1/2b (pl. 72, 21 (WH mint))); Göbl type I/1; Paruck 340; Saeedi -; Sunrise 935, this coin). Toned, extremely fine. *Extremely rare.* \$ 300

The Sunrise Collection states “This obol belongs to SNS reverse type 2b. On the drachms of this issue, the mint-mark appears on the left side (of the reverse), but it is lacking on all the obols.”



- 597 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard II (AD 438-457). Gold Lightweight Dinar, 4.26g, uncertain mint, c. AD 447-457. Bust of Yazdgard II right on floral ornament, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent and inner ribbon. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, each holding a staff (SNS type Ib1/2c; Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 936, this coin, otherwise unpublished without legends on the reverse). Lustrous, extremely fine. \$ 5,000



- 598 Sasanian Kingdom. Peroz (third crown, AD 457/9-484). Gold Lightweight Dinar, 3.85g, ART (Ardashirkvarrah), c. AD 477-484. Bust of Peroz right, wearing crown with two wings, frontal crescent, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon over each shoulder. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Iiib/1c; Göbl III/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 937, this coin, otherwise an unpublished denomination for the mint). Lustrous, about extremely fine. \$ 3,500



- 599 Sasanian Kingdom. Peroz (first crown, AD 457/9-484). Silver Drachm, 4.09g, AS (Aspahan), c. AD 457/8. Bust of Peroz right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, korymbos set on crescent, and no rear merlon. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants (SNS type I/1a (pl. 78, 18); Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 938, this coin). Lustrous, extremely fine, no toning. *Very rare.* \$ 250



- 600 Sasanian Kingdom. Peroz (third crown, AD 457/9-484). Gold Lightweight Dinar, 4.14g, BBA (Court mint), c. AD 477-484. Bust of Peroz right, wearing crown with two wings, frontal crescent, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon over each shoulder. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Iiib/1c (pl. 85, A22-3); Göbl type III/1; Mochiri 251; Paruck 346; Saeedi AV77-8; Sunrise 939, this coin). About extremely fine. \$ 3,500



- 601** Sasanian Kingdom. Peroz (third crown, AD 457/9-484). Gold Lightweight Dinar, 4.14g, BBA (Court mint), c. AD 477-484. Bust of Peroz right, wearing crown with two wings, frontal crescent, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon over each shoulder. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Iiib/1c (pl. 85, A22-3); Göbl type III/1; Mochiri 251; Paruck 346; Saeedi AV77-8; Sunrise 940, this coin). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 4,500



- 602** Sasanian Kingdom. Peroz (third crown, AD 457/9-484). Silver Drachm (3), 4.15g, 4.09g and 4.16g, BBA (Court mint), c. AD 477-484. Bust of Peroz right, wearing crown with two wings, frontal crescent, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon over each shoulder. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Iiib/1c (pl. 85-6, 99-106), Iia/1e (pl. 88, A38), Iiib/1c, 184-195; Göbl type III/1, II/1, III/1; Mochiri 250, -, 1287; Paruck -, -, 347; Saeedi -, -, -; Sunrise 941, 944, 949, these coins). All nicely toned, generally superb extremely fine. (3) \$ 300



- 603** Sasanian Kingdom. Peroz (third crown, AD 457/9-484). Silver Obol, 0.38g, BB[A] (Court mint), c. AD 477-484. Bust of Peroz right, wearing crown with two wings, frontal crescent, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon over each shoulder. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Iiib/1c (pl. 86, 107); Göbl type III/1; Paruck 357; Saeedi -; Sunrise 942, this coin). Extremely fine. \$ 300



- 604** Sasanian Kingdom. Peroz (first crown, AD 457/9-484). Silver Obol, 0.41g, "BYS" (Bishapur) or (Aspahan), c. AD 457/8. Bust of Peroz right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, korymbos set on crescent, and no rear merlon. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants (SNS type I/1a (pl. 86, A27); Göbl type I/1 (pl. 10, 168); Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 943, this coin). Extremely fine, lightly toned. *Extremely rare for first crown.* \$ 300



- 605 Sasanian Kingdom. Peroz (third crown, AD 457/9-484). Silver Drachm, 3.98g, “LD” (or “RD”), c. AD 474-477. Bust of Peroz left, wearing crown with two wings, frontal crescent, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon over each shoulder. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (cf SNS type Iiib/1e; cf Göbl type III/3; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 945, this coin, otherwise unpublished). Choice very fine. *Unique*. \$ 1,000



- 606 Sasanian Kingdom. Peroz (second crown, AD 457/9-484). Silver Drachm, 4.15g, ST (Stakhr), c. AD 458-465. Bust of Peroz I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, korymbos set on crescent, and rear merlon. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Iia/1c; Göbl type II/1; Mochiri 1285; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 946, this coin). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 200



- 607 Sasanian Kingdom. Peroz (second crown, AD 457/9-484). Silver Obol, 0.43g, ST (Stakhr), c. AD 458-465. Bust of Peroz right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, korymbos set on crescent, and rear merlon. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Iia/1c(?); Göbl type II/1(?); Paruck -; cf Saeedi 253; Sunrise 947, this coin). Toned, extremely fine. *Very rare*. \$ 300



- 608 Sasanian Kingdom. Peroz (third crown, AD 457/9-484). Silver Obol, 0.45g, ST (Stakhr), c. AD 474-477. Bust of Peroz right, wearing crown with two wings, frontal crescent, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon over each shoulder. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Iiia/1c; Göbl type III/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 948, this coin). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 400



- 609 Sasanian Kingdom. Peroz (third crown, AD 457/9-484). Gold Lightweight Dinar, 4.14g, “WHP” (Veh-Andiyok Shapur), c. AD 477-484. Bust of Peroz right, wearing crown with two wings, frontal crescent, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon over each shoulder. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type IIib/1c (pl. 96, A55); Göbl type III/1 (pl. 10, 172); Mochiri 738; Paruck 345; Saeedi AV80; Sunrise 950, this coin). Lustrous, superb extremely fine. \$ 6,000



- 610 Sasanian Kingdom. Peroz (AD 457/9-484). Gold Dinar 7.26g, Sind. Bust of Peroz right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, korymbos set on crescent, and rear merlon, symbol before. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS pl. 145, C17; Paruck -; Senior, *Coin*, fig. 3; Sunrise 951, this coin). Toned, choice very fine or better. *Extremely rare*. \$ 1,000



- 611 Sasanian Kingdom. Peroz (second crown, AD 457/9-484). Silver Obol, 0.32g, uncertain mint, c. AD 458-465. Bust of Peroz right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, korymbos set on crescent, and rear merlon. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, pellet (star) and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Iia/1c(?); Göbl type II/1(?); Paruck -; cf Saeedi 253; Sunrise 952, this coin). Toned, about extremely fine. *Rare*. \$ 300

ex Gorny & Mosch 152, 9 October 2006, lot 1537



- 612 Sasanian Kingdom. Valkash (Balash) (AD 484-488). Silver Drachm, 4.14g, “AS” (Aspahan or Aspahan), c. AD 485-488. Bust of Valkash right, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, flames on right. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons and head of Valkash right on shaft, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Ib/1b (pl. 100, 4-9); Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 553; Paruck 365; Saeedi 255; Sunrise 954, this coin). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 800

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- 613 Sasanian Kingdom. Valkash (Balash) (AD 484-488). Silver Drachm, 4.09g, AW (Ohrmazd-Ardashir), c. AD 485-488. Bust of Valkash right, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, flames on right. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons and head of Valkash right on shaft; flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Ib/1b (pl. 101, 12); Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 990; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 955, this coin). Extremely fine, lightly toned. \$ 800



- 614 Sasanian Kingdom. Valkash (Balash) (AD 484-488). Silver Obol, 0.49g, LD (RD), c. AD 485-488. Bust of Valkash right, wearing mural crown with korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, flames on right, letter "h n" right of face. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons and head of Valkash right on shaft; flanked by two attendants; star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Ib/1b (pl. 104, N1); Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 956, this coin). Lightly toned, superb extremely fine. *Extremely rare*. \$ 500



- 615 Sasanian Kingdom. Kavad I (first reign, AD 488-497). Silver Obol, 0.46g, ART (Ardashir-kvarrah). Bust of Kavad I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, star behind crown. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type I/1 (pl. 105, A3); Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 957, this coin). Toned, extremely fine. *Rare*. \$ 400



- 616 Sasanian Kingdom. Kavad I (first reign, AD 488-497). Silver Drachm (3), 4.09g, 4.07g and 3.89g, AW (Ohrmazd-Ardashir). Bust of Kavad I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, star behind head. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type I/1 (pl. 106, 14-5), I/1 (pl. 108, 35-6), Ic/1a; Göbl type I/1, I/1, III/1; Paruck -, -, -; Saeedi -, -, -; Sunrise 958, 959, 967, these coins). Generally about extremely fine. (3) \$ 300



- 617 Sasanian Kingdom. Kavad I (first reign, AD 488-497). Silver Obol, 0.52g, ST (Stakhr), uncertain date. Bust of Kavad I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, star behind crown, trefoil of pellets to right. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, "X" in margin (SNS type I/1; Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 960, this coin). Toned, about extremely fine. *Rare.* \$ 400



- 618 Sasanian Kingdom. Zamasp (Jamasp) (AD 497-499). Silver Obol 0.46g, "ART(?), RY 1" (AD 496/7). Bust of Zamasp right, wearing mural crown with inner crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, to right, small bust of Ahura Mazda left, holding wreath. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Ia/1a; Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 961, this coin). Delicately toned, superb extremely fine. *Exceedingly rare, "only seen two examples in 30 years" (Bahram Badiyi).* \$ 1,000

ex Peus 380, 3 November 2004, lot 641



- 619 Sasanian Kingdom. Zamasp (Jamasp) (AD 497-499). Silver Drachm, 4.11g, "KL" (Kirman), "RY 1" (AD 496/7). Bust of Zamasp right, wearing mural crown with inner crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, to right, small bust of Ahura Mazda left, holding wreath. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Ia/1a (pl. 111, 14); Göbl type I/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 962, this coin). Delicately toned, superb extremely fine. \$ 600



- 620 Sasanian Kingdom. Zamasp (Jamasp) (AD 497-499). Silver Drachm, 4.10g, "WHP" (Veh-Andiyok-Shapur), RY 2 (AD 497/8). Bust of Zamasp right, wearing mural crown with inner crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, to right, small bust of Ahura Mazda left, holding wreath. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Ib/1a; Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 741; Paruck -; Saeedi 263; Sunrise 963, this coin). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 600



- 621** Sasanian Kingdom. Kavad I (second reign, AD 499-531). Silver Obol, 0.47g, ART (Ardashir-kvarrah), RY 1(?). Bust of Kavad I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two ribbons, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, star (degraded) behind head, trefoil of pellets or degraded letters to right, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Ib/1a; Göbl type II/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 964, this coin). Boldly struck, extremely fine. *Rare.* \$ 300

ex Ponterio, March 2006



- 622** Sasanian Kingdom. Kavad I (second reign, AD 499-531). Silver Obol, 0.40g, DA (Darabgird), uncertain date. Bust of Kavad I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two ribbons, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, star behind head, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Ib/1a (pl. 124, 122-3); Göbl type II/1; Paruck 399; Saeedi -; Sunrise 966, this coin). Extremely fine, lightly toned. *Rare.* \$ 500



- 623** Sasanian Kingdom. Kavad I (second reign, AD 499-531). Silver Obol, 0.37g, ST (Stakhr), RY 31 (AD 518). Bust of Kavad I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two ribbons, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, star behind head, trefoil of pellets to right, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (SNS type Ic/1a; Göbl type III/1; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 968, this coin). Superb extremely fine, no toning. *Very rare.* \$ 500



- 624** Sasanian Kingdom. Kavad I (second reign, AD 499-531). Æ Drachm, 1.94g, Special issue, uncertain mint. Bust of Kavad I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two ribbons, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, star behind head, letters to right, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Bust right, wearing cap with korymbos and pearl diadem, raising right hand (SNS type Ib/3a (pl. 137, A26-8); Göbl type II/4 (pl. 11, 192); Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 969, this coin). Very fine. One of the most important coins of the late Sasanian period. *Extremely rare.* \$ 500

For a comprehensive study of this coin type see "Les Monnaies de Kavad I A Double Effigie" by Societas Iranologica Europaea, 1995.



- 625 Sasanian Kingdom. Husrav (Khosrau) I (AD 531-579). Silver Drachm (2), 4.14g and 3.82g, AW (Ohrmazd-Ardashir), RY 29 (AD 559). Bust of Husrav I right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, korymbos set on crescent, and inner ribbon, ribbons on shoulders, crescent on right shoulder, stars flanking head, crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (Göbl type II/2; Mochiri 1188, -; Paruck -, -; Saeedi -, -; Sunrise 970, 971, these coins). Both lightly toned, extremely fine. (2) \$ 200



- 626 Sasanian Kingdom. Hormizd IV (AD 579-590). Silver Drachm, 4.10g, AM (Amul?), RY 10 (AD 588). Bust of Hormizd IV right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (Göbl type I/1; Mochiri -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 971A, this coin). Attractive light toning, superb extremely fine. \$ 200



- 627 Sasanian Kingdom. Hormizd IV (AD 579-590). Silver Drachm, 4.10g, "BHL" (Balkh), "RY 11" (AD 589). Bust of Hormizd IV right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin, countermark to upper right: head left wearing earring and linear headdress, all within incuse square. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, countermark to upper right: opopo in incuse rectangle (Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 254; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 972, this coin). Very fine. \$ 200



- 628 Sasanian Kingdom. Hormizd IV (AD 579-590). Silver Drachm, 4.10g, "GD" (Gay), "RY 11" (AD 589). Bust of Hormizd IV right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (Göbl type I/1; Mochiri -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 973, this coin). Lustrous and delicately toned, superb extremely fine. \$ 200



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- 629** Sasanian Kingdom. Hormizd IV (AD 579-590). Silver Drachm, 4.05g, RAM (Ram-Hormizd), RY 3 (AD 581). Bust of Hormizd IV right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin, countermark to upper right: symbol in circular incuse. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (Göbl type I/1; Mochiri -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; for countermark: Göbl, *Dokumente*, grp. IV, KM 56; Sunrise 974, this coin). Choice very fine. \$ 200

- 630** Sasanian Kingdom. Varhran (Bahram) VI (AD 590-591). Silver Drachm, 4.10g, GD (Gay), RY 1 (AD 590). Bust of Varhran VI right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, stars flanking crown, crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (Göbl type I/1 (pl. 12, 203); Mochiri 3; Paruck 443; Saeedi 269; Sunrise 975, this coin). Lightly toned with underlying lustre, about extremely fine. *Extremely rare*. \$ 400

This king, throughout Persian literary sources, is also known as Bahram-e Chubin, a great general from a noble Parthian family.



- 631** Sasanian Kingdom. Vistahm (AD 591-597). Silver Drachm, 4.07g, RD (Ray), RY 3 (AD 594/5). Bust of Vistahm right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and pellet-in-crescent set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, stars flanking crown, pellets-in-crescents within crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 16; Paruck -; Saeedi 273; Sunrise 976, this coin). Well struck, delicately toned, extremely fine. *Extremely rare*. \$ 500



- 632** Sasanian Kingdom. Vistahm (AD 591-597). Silver Drachm, 4.13g, LD (Ray), RY 4 (AD 595/6). Bust of Vistahm right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and pellet-in-crescent set on crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, stars flanking crown, pellets-in-crescents within crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames (Göbl type I/1 (pl. 13, 205); Mochiri 19; Paruck -; Saeedi 274; Sunrise 977, this coin). Lustrous, superb extremely fine. *Rare*. \$ 1,000

ex Gorny & Mosch 152, 9 October 2006, lot 1540



- 633** Sasanian Kingdom. Khusru II (AD 590-628). Silver Drachm (4), 4.09g, 4.19g, 4.13g and 4.13g, BBA (Court mint), RY 36 (AD 620). Bust of Khusru II right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and star-in-crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, stars flanking crown, double border, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, triple border, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type II/3, II/3, II/2, II/2; Mochiri 275, 276-7, -, 486; Paruck -, -, -, 447; Saeedi -, -, -, -; Xinjiang -; Sunrise 978, 979, 984, 985, this coin). All well struck and attractively toned, superb extremely fine or better. (4) \$ 400



- 634** Sasanian Kingdom. Khusru II (AD 590-628). Silver Drachm, 4.16g, “DA” (Darabgird), “RY 25” (AD 614). Bust of Khusru II right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and star-in-crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, stars flanking crown, double border, star-in-crescents and inscription “APD” in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, triple border, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type II/3; Mochiri -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Xinjiang WQ-I-2-212; Sunrise 980, this coin). Lightly toned and lustrous, nearly mint state. \$ 200



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- 635** Sasanian Kingdom. Khusru II (AD 590-628). Silver Drachm, 3.94g, “GD” (Jay), “RY 26” (AD 615). Bust of Khusru II right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and star-in-crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, stars flanking crown, double border, star-in-crescents and inscription in margin, countermark: head right in circular incuse. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, triple border, star-in-crescents and inscription “APD” in margin (Göbl type II/3; Mochiri -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Xinjiang WQ-I-2-291 (with countermark); for countermark: Göbl, *Dokumente*, grp. II, KM 68 (Hephthalites); Sunrise 981, this coin). Extremely fine, lightly toned. \$ 250

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- 636** Sasanian Kingdom. Khusru II (AD 590-628). Silver Drachm, 3.97g, “LD” (Ray), “RY 30” (AD 619). Bust of Khusru II right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and star-in-crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, stars flanking crown, double border, star-in-crescents in margin, countermark: tamgha in circular incuse. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, triple border, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type II/3; Mochiri -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Xinjiang -; for countermark: Göbl, *Dokumente*, grp. IV, KM 56; Sunrise 982, this coin). Extremely fine, no toning. \$ 200



- 637** Sasanian Kingdom. Khusru II (AD 590-628). Silver Drachm, 4.05g, “LD” (Rayz), “RY 33” (AD 624). Bust of Khusru II right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and star-in-crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, stars flanking crown, double border, star-in-crescents, inscription “APD”, and eleven-pointed star in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, triple border, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type II/3; Mochiri -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; cf Xinjiang WQ-I-2-307-311 (no star in margin on obv.); Sunrise 983, this coin). Extremely fine, lightly toned. *Extremely rare, apparently only two known examples.* \$ 500
ex William B Warden Jr Collection



- 638** Sasanian Kingdom. Khusru II (AD 590-628). Gold Lightweight Dinar, 4.56g, uncertain mint, RY 21 (AD 610). Inscription: “Khosrau, the king of kings may (he) prosper” in Pahlavi, bust of Khusru II right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and two wings surmounted by star-in-crescent, fillet over each shoulder, crescent over right shoulder, crown flanked by star and star-in-crescent. Rev. Inscription: “Iran has prospered” in Pahlavi, facing bust of Anahit in flame nimbus (Malek 6-7; Göbl type III/4 (pl. 14, 217); Mochiri 916; Paruck -; Saeedi AV94-AV95; Sunrise 986, this coin). Boldly struck and well centred, lustrous, nearly mint state. A magnificent example of this popular issue. *Rare.* \$ 12,500



- 639** Sasanian Kingdom. Khusru II (AD 590-628). Gold Heavyweight Dinar, 7.22g, uncertain mint. Overstruck as a type F Dinar of Ilkhan Abu Saïd (AD 1316-1355). Bust of Khusru II right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and two wings surmounted by star-in-crescent, fillet over each shoulder, crescent over right shoulder, crown flanked by star and star-in-crescent. Rev. Facing bust of Anahit in flame nimbus (Malek 9; Göbl type III/4; Mochiri -; Paruck 457; Saeedi -; Sunrise 987, this coin). Holed, fair. *Extremely rare.* \$ 2,000

Ilkhan Mongols of Persia saw themselves as heir to ancient Persian Empires in order to establish legitimacy. They undertook major repair and renovation of ancient Sasanian sites, most importantly, the compound of the fire temple of “Shiz”, also known as “Azar Goshnasp”. This is where Khusru II, along with many other Sasanian kings, made pilgrimage to. Shiz was considered the holiest fire temple in the Sasanian Empire.

The Sunrise Collection states “The typical dinars of this type weigh an average of approximately. 4.55 grams, but there are also extremely rare issues around 6.5 and 7.2 grams. Malek lists all of these together, but calls the heavy coins 1½-Dinars. While the term 1½-Dinars is accurate for the middle weight coins (c. 6.5 grams), it is not correct for the heaviest coins (c. 7.2 grams), which are about one-and-two-thirds Dinars on a 4.55 gram standard. A more appropriate term for each of the three weight classes would be light Dinars, Dinars, and heavy Dinars, respectively.”

ex Peus, Auction 368, 25-28 April 2001, lot 403
private purchase from Steve Album



- 640** Sasanian Kingdom. Khusru II (AD 590-628). Silver Drachm, 4.04g, uncertain mint, RY 23 (AD 612). Facing bust of Khusru II, wearing mural crown with two wings and star-in-crescent, ribbons on shoulders, monogram to upper left, star-in-crescents flanking crown, double border, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Facing bust of Anahit with flame nimbus, double inner border and single outer border, star-in-crescents in between (Malek, *Khusrau* -; Göbl type IV/5; Mochiri 917; Paruck -; Saedi 277; Sunrise 988, this coin). Boldly struck, beautifully toned and great style, extremely fine and a superb example of this classic Sasanian rarity. \$ 7,500



- 641** Sasanian Kingdom. Kavad II (AD 628). Silver Drachm, 4.10g, “APL” (Abrashahr), “RY 2” (AD 628). Bust of Kavad II right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, star-in-crescents in margin (Malek, *Kavad* -; Göbl type I/1; Mochiri -; Paruck -; Saedi 287; Sunrise 990, this coin). Lightly toned, superb extremely fine. *Extremely rare mint.* \$ 1,250
- 642** Sasanian Kingdom. Kavad II (AD 628). Silver Drachm, 4.13g, *AYLAN* mint, RY 2 (AD 628). Bust of Kavad II right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, star-in-crescents in margin (Malek, *Kavad* 31-50 (this coin unrecorded); Göbl type I/1 (pl 14, 226); Mochiri 925; Paruck -; Saedi 290; Sunrise 991, this coin). Lustrous, superb extremely fine, no toning. *Very rare.* \$ 750



- 643** Sasanian Kingdom. Kavad II (AD 628). Silver Drachm, 4.13g, LD (Ray), RY 2 (AD 628). Bust of Kavad II right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, star-in-crescents in margin (Malek, *Kavad* 70-3 (this coin unrecorded); Göbl type I/1; Mochiri -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 992, this coin). Well struck, extremely fine, no toning. *Very rare.* \$ 750



- 644** Sasanian Kingdom. Ardashir III (AD 628-630). Silver Drachm, 4.16g, ART (Ardashir-kvarrah), RY 2 (AD 629). Bust of Ardashir III right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type I/1; Mochiri -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 993, this coin). Toned, superb extremely fine. *Rare mint for Ardeshir III and also rare for first crown on the second year.* \$ 250

The Sunrise Collection states "It appears that the date [RY2] was re-engraved in the die over the date [RY1]. The mint name also has indications of being reengraved, perhaps from mint ST (cf. Mochiri 1359) or even AT (cf. Mochiri 1358)."



- 645** Sasanian Kingdom. Ardashir III (AD 628-630). Silver Drachm, 4.16g, BYSH (Bishapur), RY 2 (AD 629). Bust of Ardashir III right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type II/1; Mochiri -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 994, this coin). Extremely fine. *Rare mint for Ardeshir III.* \$ 250
- 646** Sasanian Kingdom. Ardashir III (AD 628-630). Silver Drachm, 4.09g, NH (uncertain mint). RY 1 (AD 628). Bust of Ardashir III right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 840; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 995, this coin). Well struck and lightly toned, superb extremely fine. \$ 250



- 647 Sasanian Kingdom. Ardashir III (AD 628-630). Silver Drachm, 4.11g, WH (Veh-Andiyok-Shapur), RY 2 (AD 629). Bust of Ardashir III right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 841; Paruck 472; Saeedi -; Sunrise 996, this coin). Well struck, extremely fine, lightly toned. *Very rare.* \$ 250



- 648 Sasanian Kingdom. Ardashir III (AD 628-630). Silver Drachm, 4.13g, NH (uncertain), RY 2 (AD 629). Bust of Ardashir III right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type II/1; Mochiri 842; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 997, this coin). Extremely fine, lightly toned. \$ 250



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- 649 Sasanian Kingdom. Ardashir III (AD 628-630). Silver Drachm, 4.13g, WLC or (WRCH) mint, RY 2 (AD 629). Bust of Ardashir III right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin, countermark to upper right: tamgha in circular incuse. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type II/1; Mochiri 842; Paruck -; Saeedi -; for countermark: Göbl, *Dokumente*, grp. IV, KM 56; Sunrise 998, this coin). Choice very fine. *Very rare mint.* \$ 250
- 650 Sasanian Kingdom. Ardashir III (AD 628-630). Silver Drachm, 4.15g, WYHC (Veh-az-Amid-Kavad), RY 1 (AD 628). Bust of Ardashir III right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 699; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 999, this coin). Delicately toned, superb extremely fine. \$ 250



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651 Sasanian Kingdom. Ardashir III (AD 628-630). Silver Drachm, 4.16g, “WYHC” (Veh-az-Amid-Kavad), “RY 2” (AD 629). Bust of Ardashir III right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type II/1; Mochiri 435 and 700-1; Paruck -; Saeedi 295; Sunrise 1000, this coin). Delicately toned, extremely fine. \$ 250

652 Sasanian Kingdom. Ardashir III (AD 628-630). Silver Drachm, 4.16g, “WYHC” (Veh-az-Amid-Kavad), “RY 2” (AD 629). Bust of Ardashir III right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and korymbos set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type II/1; Mochiri 435 and 700-1; Paruck -; Saeedi 295; Sunrise 1001, this coin). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 250



653 Sasanian Kingdom. Khusru III (AD 629-631) or Khusru V (AD 631-637). Silver Drachm, 4.14g, . “WYHC” (Veh-az-Amid-Kavad), “RY 2” (AD 630 or 632). Beardless bust of Khusru III or V right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and star-in-crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, stars flanking crown, double border, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, triple border, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type I/1 (pl. 15, 232; Khusru V); Mochiri 437, 482, 487, and 501 (Khusru III); Paruck 481 (Khusru V); Saeedi 310; Sunrise 1002, this coin). Well struck and beautifully toned, extremely fine. *Very rare.* \$ 700

654 Sasanian Kingdom. Khusru III (AD 629-631) or Khusru V (AD 631-637). Silver Drachm, 4.16g, “WYHC” (Veh-az-Amid-Kavad), “RY 2” (AD 630 or 632). Beardless bust of Khusru III or V right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and star-in-crescent, ribbons and crescents on shoulders, stars flanking crown, double border, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, triple border, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type I/1 (pl. 15, 232; Khusru V); Mochiri 437, 482, 487, and 501 (Khusru III); Paruck 481 (Khusru V); Saeedi 310; Sunrise 1003, this coin). Delicately toned, extremely fine. *Very rare.* \$ 700



- 655 Sasanian Kingdom. Buran (Boran) (AD 630-631). Silver Drachm, 4.16g, "APL" (Abrashahr), "RY 1" (AD 630). Bust of Buran right, wearing crown with two wings and korymbos set on crescent; ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, star and star-in-crescent flanking crown; star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons; flanked by two attendants; star and crescent flanking flames; triple border, star-in-crescents in margin. Malek & Curtis 8 (this coin unrecorded); Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 74; Paruck -; Saeedi 299; Sunrise 1004, this coin). *Very rare* mint. A lovely example of this classic Sasanian rarity as Queen Buran had a very short reign. Lightly toned About extremely fine. *Very rare.* \$ 4,000



- 656 Sasanian Kingdom. Buran (Boran) (AD 630-631). Silver Drachm, 4.16g, "GW" (Gurgan), "RY 1" (AD 630). Bust of Buran right, wearing crown with two wings and korymbos set on crescent; ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, star and star-in-crescent flanking crown; star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons; flanked by two attendants; star and crescent flanking flames; triple border, star-in-crescents in margin. Malek & Curtis 15-6 (this coin unrecorded); Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 1466; Paruck -; Saeedi 302; Sunrise 1005, this coin). *Very rare* mint for Buran. Well struck throughout and attractively toned. superb extremely fine. One of the finest examples known of this popular Queen. *Very rare.* \$ 7,000



- 657 Sasanian Kingdom. Buran (Boran) (AD 630-631). Silver Drachm, 4.01g, “SK” (Sakastan), “RY 2” (AD 630/1). Bust of Buran right, wearing crown with two wings and korymbos set on crescent; ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, star and star-in-crescent flanking crown; star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons; flanked by two attendants; star and crescent flanking flames; triple border, star-in-crescents in margin. Malek & Curtis 29-73; Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 385; Paruck 477 corr (mint); Saeedi 303; Sunrise 1006, this coin). Attractive light toning choice very fine. \$ 1,000



- 658 Sasanian Kingdom. Azarmidokht (AD 631). Silver Drachm, 4.15g, “WYHC” (Veh-az-Amid-Kavad), “RY 1” (AD 631). Bust of Azarmidokht right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and star set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl -; Mochiri 507; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 1007, this coin). Boldly struck, beautifully toned, superb extremely fine, a magnificent example of this great rarity. *Extremely Rare, especially without bearded portrait.* \$ 15,000

This is the finest known example and is the rarest Silver Drachm, of Sasanian coinage. This appears to be the first time this coin has ever been offered at auction.



- 659 Sasanian Kingdom. Hormizd V or VI (AD 631-632). Silver Drachm, 4.20g, “AYLAN” or “AYRAN” (Shush) mint, “RY 2” (AD 631/2). Bust of Hormizd V or VI right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and star set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 929; Paruck -; Saeedi 305; Sunrise 1008, this coin). Lustrous, nearly mint state. \$ 400



- 660 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard III (AD 632-651). Silver Drachm, 4.03g, “BBA” (Court mint), “RY 19” (AD 650). Bust of Yazdgard III right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and star set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, double border, star-in-crescents in margin (Tyler-Smith, *Coinage*, type 11/3 (unlisted dies); Göbl type I/1; Mochiri -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 1009, this coin). Lightly toned, choice very fine. *Rare*. \$ 250

By this time Ctesiphon had fallen and since Yazdgard III was on the move during this regnal year, BBA (court mint) refers to the moving mint that accompanied the king on his eastward retreat.



- 661 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard III (AD 632-651). Silver Drachm, 4.07g, “SK” (Sakastan), “RY 3” (AD 634). Bust of Yazdgard III right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and star set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, double border, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type I/1; Mochiri 388; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 1010, this coin). Lightly toned, superb extremely fine. *Rare with beardless portrait*. \$ 200



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- 662 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard III (AD 632-651). Silver Drachm, 4.03g, “SK” (Sakastan), “RY 4” (AD 635). Bust of Yazdgard III right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and star set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, double border, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type I/1; Mochiri -; Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 1011, this coin). An excellent example from this mint, lightly toned very fine. *Very rare this choice and very rare with the beardless portrait*. \$ 200

- 663 Sasanian Kingdom. Yazdgard III (AD 632-651). Silver Drachm, 3.99g, “SK” (Sakastan), “RY 4” (AD 635). Bust of Yazdgard III right, wearing mural crown with frontal crescent, two wings, and star set on crescent, ribbon on left shoulder, crescent and ribbon on right, stars flanking crown, star-in-crescents in margin. Rev. Fire altar with ribbons, flanked by two attendants, star and crescent flanking flames, double border, star-in-crescents in margin (Göbl type I/1; cf Mochiri 388 (date); Paruck -; Saeedi -; Sunrise 1012, this coin). Slightly ragged edge, delicately toned, extremely fine. *Rare with beardless portrait*. \$ 200

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- 664 Anastasius I (AD 491-518). Gold Solidus, 4.37g, Constantinople, c.507-518. D N ANASTASIVS PP AVG, helmeted and cuirassed bust of Anastasius I facing slightly right, holding spear over shoulder and shield decorated with horseman motif on arm. Rev. VICTORI-A AVGGG, Victory standing left, holding staff surmounted by reversed staurogram, star to left, I//CONOB. (DOC 7j; MIBE 7; SB 5). Extremely fine. \$ 400



- 665 Maurice Tiberius (AD 582-602). Gold Solidus, 10.63g, Constantinople, 583 or 602. Crowned figure of Maurice Tiberius enthroned facing, wearing consular robes, holding mappa and cross. Rev. VICTORI-A AVGG, angel standing facing, holding staff surmounted by a staurogram, and globus cruciger, ζ//CONOB. (cf DOC 2 (officina not recorded); MIBE 2; cf SB 474 (same)). Mounted in antiquity on a heavy gold bezel with three loops for suspension, probably part of a chain, wavy flan, about very fine. *Very rare consular issue.* \$ 800



- 666 Maurice Tiberius (AD 582-602). Gold Solidus, 4.36g, Constantinople, 583-601. D N MAVRC Tib PP AVI, draped and cuirassed bust of Maurice Tiberius facing, wearing plumed helmet and holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORI-A AVGG, angel standing facing, holding staff surmounted by a staurogram, and globus cruciger, Γ//CONOB. (DOC 5c; MIBE 6; SB 478). Lustrous, extremely fine. \$ 400



- 667 Phocas (AD 602-610). Gold Solidus, 4.30g, Constantinople, 603-607. O N FOCAE PPRP AVG, crowned, draped and cuirassed bust of Phocas facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGG, angel standing facing, holding staff surmounted by a staurogram, and globus cruciger, H//CONOB. (DOC 5h; MIBE 7; SB 618). About extremely fine. \$ 300



- 668 Phocas (AD 602-610). Gold Solidus, 4.43g, Constantinople, 607-610. d N FOCAS P $\overline{\text{P}}$ RP AVI, crowned, draped and cuirassed bust of Phocas facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, angel standing facing, holding staff surmounted by a staurogram, and globus cruciger, Z//CONOB. (DOC 10g; MIB 9; SB 620). Choice very fine. \$ 300



- 669 Phocas (AD 602-610). Gold Solidus, 4.40g, Constantinople, 603. O N FOCAS P $\overline{\text{P}}$ RP AV-, crowned bust of Phocas facing, wearing consular robes, holding mappa and cross. Rev. VICTORI-A AVGG, angel standing facing, holding staff surmounted by a staurogram, and globus cruciger, E//CONOB. (cf DOC 4 (officina not recorded); MIB 2; SB 623). Choice very fine. *Rare consular type*. \$ 700



- 670 Phocas (AD 602-610). Gold Solidus, 4.40g, Carthage, Indictional year 6 (602/3). D N FOCA P[]RP AN ζ , crowned and draped bust of Phocas facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORI-A AVGG, angel standing facing, holding staff surmounted by a staurogram, and globus cruciger, ζ //CONOB. (cf DOC 108-11 (Indiction); MIBE 32; SB 681). Toned, about extremely fine. *Very rare*. \$ 1,500



- 671 Revolt of the Heraclii (AD 608-610). Æ Follis, 10.57g, Alexandria, regnal year 14 (610). [d] m N ERACLIO CO[NSUL II], crowned busts of Heraclius, on left, and his father the exarch Heraclius, on right, facing, both wearing consular robes, cross above. Rev. Large M between A/N/N/O [X]/III; cross above, A//AΛEΞAN[Δ]. (DOC 17 (Alexandretta); MIBE 16b; SB 723 (Alexandretta)). Dark brown patina, very fine. \$ 300

A deplorable state of unrest existed towards the end of the reign of Phocas, and the Emperor was generally detested by both the aristocracy, who he had cruelly persecuted, and by his subjects, who were opposed to his orthodox religious policies. The frontiers of the Empire were being tested on all sides, with the Avars and Slavs overrunning the Balkans, and the Sasanians under Khusrow II invading from the East. It appeared that the Empire was close to collapse.

In 608 in Carthage, the venerable exarch Heraclius raised the standards of rebellion. While he dealt with the loyal Niketas, a nephew of the general Bonosus, his son marched to confront Phocas in Constantinople. It took two years for the latter to reach the capital, but once there he was warmly welcomed by the people. The Patriarch of Constantinople crowned Heraclius emperor, and Phocas, who had been abandoned by his bodyguard, was and quickly deposed and executed.



- 672 Revolt of the Heraclii (AD 608-610). Æ Decanummium, 4.31g, Carthage. ERACIAIO [CONSVΛ] I, bare-headed bust of Heraclius facing, wearing consular robes, cross above. Rev. Large X, N M with pellets above and below across field, cross above, star below (DOC 8; MIB 13; SB 715). Green patina, about very fine. \$ 250



- 673 Heraclius (AD 610-641). Gold Solidus, 4.52g, uncertain eastern military mint, c. 613-616. [d]d NN hERACLIXS ET hRA CONST P, crowned and draped busts of Heraclius, on left, and Heraclius Constantine, on right, facing on exergual line, cross above. Rev. VICT[O]RIA AVGX, cross potent set on two steps, III//CONOB. (DOC 187b (Alexandria); Bendall type 4, figs. 14 and 16; MIBE 77/8-77/9 (Cyprus); SB 851 (Jerusalem)). Extremely fine. \$ 500

These Solidi of Heraclius with coarse, squat figures (often above an exergual line) and with the letters I, IX or I? at the end of the reverse legend, are likely from a military mint operating in northern Syria, or perhaps in Egypt, which supplied coinage for the forces of Heraclius fighting the Sasanians who had occupied much of the region. There are other Solidi of Heraclius, struck at Constantinople early in the reign, which also sometimes have an exergual line on the obverse, but the style of the figures on these Solidi is considerably more refined, and also they lack the reverse letters. For additional information on this interesting period and coinage, see S. Bendall, *The Byzantine coinage of the mint of Jerusalem*, RN 159 (2003), pp.307-22.



- 674 Heraclius (AD 610-641). Gold Solidus, 4.37g, Constantinople. Crowned figures of Heraclius, in centre, and Heraclius Constantine, on right, standing facing, each holding globus cruciger, to left, much smaller diademed figure of Heraclonas, standing facing, holding globus cruciger, cross above Heraclonas. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, monogram to right, I//CONOB. (DOC 33g; MIB 39; SB 758). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 500



- 675 Heraclius (AD 610-641). Gold Solidus, 4.41g, Constantinople, 629-632. DD NN HERACLIXS ET hERA CONS PP AVG, crowned and draped busts of Heraclius, on left, and Heraclius Constantine, on right, facing; cross above. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, Δ//CONOB. (DOC 30a; MIB 35; SB 752). Edge bump, excellent well-detailed portraits, choice extremely fine. \$ 500
- 676 Heraclius (AD 610-641). Gold Solidus, 4.35g, Constantinople, Indictional year 12 (638/9). Crowned figures of Heraclius between Heraclonas, on left, and Heraclius Constantine, on right, standing facing, each holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, monogram to left, IB monogram (Indictional year) to right, I//CONOBA. (DOC 42d; MIB 49; SB 768). Choice very fine. \$ 300



- 677 Heraclius (AD 610-641). Gold Solidus, 4.45g, Constantinople, 639(?)–641. Crowned figures of Heraclius between Heraclonas, on left, and Heraclius Constantine, on right, standing facing, each holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, monogram to left, E//CONOB. (DOC 43d; MIB 50; SB 769). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 400



- 678 Heraclius (AD 610-641). Gold Solidus, 4.28g, lightweight issue of 23 Siliquae, Constantinople, 610-613. d N HERACLI-XS PP AVI, draped and cuirassed bust of Heraclius facing, wearing plumed helmet, holding cross; star to right. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, star to right, E//CONOB. (DOC 5a; MIB 54; SB 772). Graffito 'X' in obverse field, small scratch on edge, nearly extremely fine. *Very rare.* \$ 700



- 679 Heraclius (AD 610-641). Gold Solidus, 4.43g, Constantinople, c.610. d N HERAC-LI PER AVI, draped and cuirassed bust of Heraclius facing, wearing plumed helmet, holding cross. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on two steps, CONOB. (DOC -; MIB 1b; SB 729A). About extremely fine. *Very rare, earliest issue solidus of Heraclius.* \$ 500



- 680 Heraclius (AD 610-641). Gold Solidus, 4.42g, Constantinople, c.616-625. dd NN HERACLIXS ET HERA CONST PP AVG, crowned and draped busts of Heraclius, on left, and Heraclius Constantine, on right, facing, cross above. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, Θ following officina letter, I//CONOB. (DOC 17e; MIB 19; SB 742). Extremely fine. \$ 400



- 681 Heraclius (AD 610-641). Gold Solidus, 4.45g, Constantinople, 629-632. dd NN HERAC[LIXS] ET HERA CONST PP AV, crowned and draped busts of Heraclius, on left, and Heraclius Constantine, on right, facing, cross above. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, I//CONOB. (DOC 26i; MIB 29; SB 749). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 400



- 682** Heraclius (AD 610-641). Gold Solidus, 4.46g, Carthage, Indictional year 4 (628/9). d N ERACLIVS E ERA CONST PP V, crowned and draped busts of Heraclius, on left, and Heraclius Constantine, on right, facing; cross above. Rev. VICTOR-IA AVGG, cross potent set on two steps, Δ//CONOB. (DOC 222; MIB 84b; SB 867). About extremely fine. \$ 400

- 683** Heraclius (AD 610-641). Gold Semissis, 2.13g, Constantinople, 610-613(?). d N hERACLI-XS PP AVI, diademed, draped and cuirassed bust of Heraclius right. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on globe, I. (DOC 51c; MIBE 70; SB 784). Excellent style, extremely fine. \$ 250



- 684** Heraclius (AD 610-641). Gold Semissis, 2.19g, Constantinople, 613(?)-641. d N hERACLI-XS τ PP AV, diademed, draped and cuirassed bust of Heraclius right. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on globe, ς. (DOC 52b; MIBE 72; SB 785). Lustrous, superb extremely fine. \$ 300

- 685** Constans II (AD 641-668). Gold Solidus, 4.38g, Constantinople, 641-646. D N CONSTAN-τINVS PP AV, crowned and draped bust of Constans II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, B//CONOB. (DOC 1b; MIB 24; SB 958). Extremely fine. \$ 400



- 686** Constans II (AD 641-668). Gold Solidus, 4.44g, Constantinople, Indictional year 5 (646/7). d N CONSTAN-τINXS PP AVX, crowned and draped bust of Constans II facing bust, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set upon three steps, E (Indictional year) to right, B//CONOB. (DOC 5a; MIB 9; SB 942). Small scrape on obverse and a few other light marks in fields, about extremely fine. \$ 300

- 687** Constans II (AD 641-668). Gold Solidus, 4.40g, Constantinople, 650/1. d N CONSTANτ-INXS PP AVI, crowned bust of Constans II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, ς//CONOB. (DOC 16b; MIB 20; SB 953). A couple of light scratches in fields and softness around the legends, very fine. \$ 300



- 688** Constans II (AD 641-668). Gold Solidus, 4.35g, Constantinople, 651-654. D N CONSTAN-τINVS PP AVG, crowned and draped bust of Constans II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, I//CONOB+. (cf DOC 21 (officina not recorded); MIB 24; SB 958). Very fine. \$ 300



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- 689** Constans II (AD 641-668). Gold Solidus, 4.15g, lightweight issue of 23 Siliquae. Constantinople, 651-654. [δ N] CONSτANτINXS P P AVI, crowned bust of Constans II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VI[CTORIA] AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, eight-rayed star in right field, B//CONOB. (DOC 22b; MIB 46; SB 977). Small graffito in reverse field, very fine. \$ 300

- 690** Constans II (AD 641-668). Gold Solidus, 4.44g, Constantinople, 654-659. d N CONSτANτINXS C CONSTANT, crowned busts of Constans, on left, and Constantine, on right, facing; cross above. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, I//CONOB. (DOC 25j; MIB 26; SB 959). Light graffito on obverse, extremely fine. \$ 400



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- 691** Constans II (AD 641-668). Gold Solidus, 4.30g, Constantinople, 659-c.661. D N CONSτANτIN[...], helmeted and draped bust of Constans II, on left, and crowned and draped bust of Constantine IV, on right, facing; cross above. Rev. VICTORI-A AVGX, long cross set on globe between Heraclius, on left, and Tiberius, on right, both beardless, each wearing crown and chlamys, and holding globus cruciger, H+//CONOB. (DOC 29e; MIB 30; SB 963). Lustrous, extremely fine. \$ 500

- 692** Constans II (AD 641-668). Gold Solidus, 4.29g, Constantinople, c.661-c.663. Legend very fragmentary, helmeted and draped bust of Constans II, on left, and crowned and draped bust of Constantine IV, on right, facing; cross above. Rev. VICTORIA A-VGX, cross potent set on three steps between Heraclius, on left, and Tiberius, on right, both beardless, each wearing crown and chlamys, and holding globus cruciger, Z (retrograde) //CONOB. (DOC 30f; MIB 31; SB 964). Lustrous, extremely fine. \$ 500



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- 693** Constans II (AD 641-668). Gold Solidus, 4.28g, Constantinople, c. 663-668. VICTORIA AVGX, helmeted and draped bust of Constans I facing, holding globus cruciger, cross on helmet, Θ at end of legend. Rev. Crowned figures of Constantine IV between Heraclius, on right, and Tiberius, on left, standing facing, each wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger, CONOB. (DOC 40c; MIB 39; SB 972). Extremely fine. \$ 500

- 694** Constans II (AD 641-668). Gold Solidus, 4.33g, Constantinople, c. 663-668. VICTORIA AVGX E, helmeted and draped bust of Constans facing, holding globus cruciger; no cross on helmet. Rev. figures of Constantine IV between Heraclius, on right, and Tiberius, on left, standing facing, each holding globus cruciger, CONOB. (DOC 42d; MIB 41; SB 974). Lustrous, extremely fine. \$ 400

- 695** Constans II (AD 641-668). Gold Solidus, 4.31g, Carthage, Indictional year 3 (644/5). D N CON-TATHOA, crowned bust of Constans II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTOR-I AVG, cross potent set on two steps, Γ (Indictional year) following legend, CONOB. (cf DOC 107 (year not recorded); MIB 56; SB 1029). Choice very fine. \$ 300



- 696** Constans II (AD 641-668). Gold Solidus, 4.32g, Carthage, Indictional year 14 (655/6). D N [...]TA-NTINV, crowned busts of Constans II, on left, holding globus cruciger, and Constantine IV, on right, facing. Rev. VICTO-RI AV, cross potent set on three steps, I in left field, P in right field, IA (Indictional year) following legend, CONOB. (cf DOC 123 (year not recorded); MIB 68; SB 1041). Choice very fine. \$ 300
- 697** Constans II (AD 641-668). Silver Hexagram, 6.76g, Constantinople, 647-651. d N CONSTAN-TINXS PP AVG, crowned and draped bust of Constans II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. dEXS AdIXTA ROMANIS, cross potent on globe set on three steps (DOC 50; MIB 144; SB 991). Old cabinet toning, clashed reverse die, very fine. \$ 300



- 698** Constantine IV Pogonatus (AD 668-685). Gold Solidus, 4.38g, Constantinople, 668-673. d N CONST-[A]-NXS PP, helmeted and cuirassed bust of Constantine IV facing slightly right, holding spear over shoulder. Rev. VICTORIA A-VGX, cross potent set on three steps between crowned standing figures of Heraclius, on left, and Tiberius, on right, each wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger, B//CONOB. (DOC 6b; MIB 4C; SB 1153). Lustrous, extremely fine. \$ 500
- 699** Constantine IV Pogonatus (AD 668-685). Gold Solidus, 4.27g, Constantinople, 674-681. d N IICO-A-NXS P, helmeted and cuirassed bust of Constantine IV facing slightly right, holding spear over shoulder and shield with horseman motif on arm. Rev. VIC:TOR [A]VGX, cross potent set on three steps between crowned standing figures of Heraclius, on left, and Tiberius, on right, each wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger, I//CONOB. (DOC 8e; MIB 7a; SB 1154). Lustrous, superb extremely fine. \$ 500



- 700** Constantine IV Pogonatus (AD 668-685). Gold Solidus, 4.34g, Constantinople, 681-685. P CONST-A-NXS (X retrograde) PP A, helmeted and cuirassed bust of Constantine IV facing slightly right, holding spear over shoulder and shield with horseman motif on arm. Rev. VICTORA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, E//CONOB. (cf DOC 12 (officina not recorded); MIB 10; SB 1157). A few light marks and a small nick on edge of reverse, about extremely fine. \$ 400
- 701** Constantine IV Pogonatus (AD 668-685). Gold Semissis, 2.09g, Constantinople, 669-c.674. d N COSTAN-τINXS (X retrograde) PP A, diademed, draped and cuirassed bust of Constantine IV right. Rev. VICTORIA AVGXS, cross potent set on globe (DOC 16; MIB 15B; SB 1161). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 250
- 702** Constantine IV Pogonatus (AD 668-685). Gold Semissis, 2.14g, Constantinople, 669-c.674. d N COST-ANτS VXS PP A, diademed, draped and cuirassed bust of Constantine IV right. Rev. VICTORIA AVGXS, cross potent set on globe (DOC 16; MIB 15B; SB 1161). Lustrous, superb extremely fine. \$ 400



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703 Constantine IV Pogonatus (AD 668-685). Gold Tremissis, 1.36g, Syracuse. d N COSτ-ANτS AX, diademed, draped and cuirassed bust of Constantine IV right. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, I between two pellets following legend, CONOB (two pellets) (DOC 59 ter; MIB 42; SB 1206). Beautiful style, superb extremely fine. \$ 300

704 Constantine IV Pogonatus (AD 668-685). Gold Tremissis, 1.40g, uncertain Italian mint. d N CONSTANTINXS P P AG, diademed, draped and cuirassed bust of Constantine IV right. Rev. VICTORI-A [A]VGX IA, cross potent, CONOB. (cf DOC 77 (without Δ); MIB 49 (Rome); SB 1228). Planchet flaw on reverse, extremely fine. \$ 300



705 Constantine IV Pogonatus (AD 668-685). Gold Solidus, 4.27g, possibly Naples, 681-685. P OCNS-TA-N PP A, helmeted and cuirassed bust of Constantine IV facing slightly right, holding spear over shoulder and shield with horseman motif on arm. Rev. VICTRIA ANRTO, cross potent set on three steps, ²I² following legend, CONOB. (DOC -; cf MIB pl. 34, X2; SB 1230A). Minor striking weakness on obverse, extremely fine. *Extremely rare.* \$ 3,000

Hahn attributed this anomalous issue to Naples, but it is possible that it was struck at either a different subsidiary mint or, perhaps more likely, a mobile military mint operating in Italy.



706 Constantine IV Pogonatus (AD 668-685). Gold Solidus, 4.20g, Carthage, 674-c.675. D ON-CS VO, crowned bust of Constantine IV facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. Long cross set on three steps between crowned facing busts of Heraclius, on left, and Tiberius, on right, each wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger (DOC 42; MIB 18; SB 1187). Choice very fine. \$ 500



707 Constantine IV Pogonatus (AD 668-685). Gold Solidus, 4.34g, Carthage, c.675/6. D O-N-S (S retrograde) VGG, helmeted and cuirassed bust of Constantine IV facing slightly right, holding spear over shoulder and shield with horseman motif on arm. Rev. Cross potent set on three steps between crowned standing figures of Heraclius, on left, and Tiberius, on right, each wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger, ONB. (DOC 43a.2; MIB 20; SB 1188). Seemingly overstruck, toned, choice very fine. \$ 500



- 708 Constantine IV Pogonatus (AD 668-685). Gold Solidus, 4.26g, Carthage, Indictional year 8 (679/80). D ONS (S retrograde) [...], helmeted and cuirassed bust of Constantine IV facing, holding spear over shoulder. Rev. Cross potent set on three steps between crowned standing figures of Heraclius, on left, and Tiberius, on right, each wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger, H (Indictional year) to left, S (retrograde) to right, [C]ONOB. (DOC -; MIB 26 (Sardinia); SB 1189A). Extremely fine. *Extremely rare.* \$ 700



- 709 Constantine IV Pogonatus (AD 668-685). Gold Solidus, 4.30g, Carthage, 681-685. [...]ONST-A-NVS PP, helmeted and cuirassed bust of Constantine IV facing slightly right, holding spear over shoulder and shield with horseman motif on arm. Rev. VICTOR[IA] A[V] A, cross potent set on three steps, CONOB. (DOC 49; MIB 29; SB 1192). Well struck and lustrous, about extremely fine. *Very rare.* \$ 500



- 710 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Solidus, 4.39g, Constantinople, 686/7. IXSTINIA-NXS PE AV, crowned bust of Justinian II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTOAA AVÇX, cross potent set on three steps, Δ//CONOB. (cf DOC 1 (officina not recorded); MIB 1; SB 1242). Much lustre in the fields, extremely fine. \$ 1,200
- 711 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Solidus, 4.44g, Constantinople, 686/7. IXSTINIA-NXS PE AV, crowned bust of Justinian II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVÇX, cross potent set on three steps, Γ//CONOB. (DOC 2a; MIB 2; SB 1243). Faint scratch in reverse field, toned, extremely fine. \$ 800



- 712 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Solidus, 4.02g, lightweight issue of 23 Siliquae. Constantinople, 686/7. IXSTINIA-NXS PE AV, crowned and draped bust of Justinian II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, eight-rayed star in right field, I//CONOB. (DOC 2b corr. (not described as light weight); MIB 10; SB 1250). About extremely fine. *Extremely rare.* \$ 2,500



- 713 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Solidus, 4.42g, Constantinople, 686/7. IXSTINIA-NXS PE AV, crowned bust of Justinian II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVÇX, cross potent set on three steps, E//CONOB. (cf DOC 4 (officina not recorded); MIB 4; SB 1245). Choice very fine. \$ 800



- 714 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Solidus, 4.41g, Constantinople, 687-692. D IXSTINIA-NXS PP AV, crowned and draped bust of Justinian II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, Z//CONOB. (DOC 5f; MIB 6; SB 1246). Lustrous and well struck, nicely toned, superb extremely fine. \$ 1,500



- 715 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Solidus, 4.40g, Constantinople, 687-692. D IXSTINIA-NXS PE AV, crowned and draped bust of Justinian II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, H//CONOBΓ. (DOC 6e; MIB 7; SB 1247). Extremely fine. \$ 500



- 716 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Solidus, 4.38g, Constantinople, 692-695. Ih CRISTOS REX REGNANTIXM, bust of Christ facing, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels, cross behind head. Rev. D IXSTINI-AN-XS SERX CRISTI, Justinian standing facing, holding cross potent on three steps, CONOP. (DOC 7; MIB 8a; SB 1248). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 2,500

The portrait of Christ on this coin is the first numismatic representation of Christ in human form, and occurred as a result of the Quinisext Council. This synod of 215 bishops from the Eastern Roman Empire was called together in 692 by order of Justinian, and attempted to settle differences in ritual observance within the Church. One of the Council's many resolutions, Canon 82, allowed for the iconic representation of the divine in human form. During the course of the next century, this ruling led to one of the greatest schisms of the early Church, Iconoclasm.



- 717 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Solidus, 4.22g, Syracuse, 685-695. [D] IXST-NIANX PP, crowned and draped bust of Justinian II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA [A]VGX, cross potent set on three steps, Θ following legend, CONOB. (DOC 41a; MIB 23; SB 1281). Toned, extremely fine. *Very rare.* \$ 1,000



- 718 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Solidus, 3.98g, Syracuse. P ISXTXI-ITINIG, crowned and draped bust of Justinian II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, H in right field, Θ at end of legend, CONOB. (DOC 43; MIB 14 (second reign); SB 1282). Lightly clipped and reverse surfaces slightly rough, choice very fine. *Very rare.* \$ 2,500



- 719 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Solidus, 4.24g, uncertain Italian mint. IXSTINIA-NSX PE AV, crowned and draped bust of Justinian II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, + at end of legend, CONOB. (DOC -; MIB 29 (Naples); SB 1315A). A beautiful example, toned, extremely fine. *Extremely rare.* \$ 3,000



- 720 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Semissis, 2.08g, Constantinople, 687-692. D IXSTINIA-NXS PE AV, crowned and draped bust of Justinian II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGXS, cross potent set on small globus (DOC 9; MIB 11; SB 1251). Very fine. *Very rare.* \$ 1,000



- 721 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Semissis, 1.41g, Syracuse. d IXστI-NIANXS PP, diademed, draped and cuirassed bust of Justinian II right. Rev. VICTOR[IA] AVGX, cross potent on globe, Θ to right, Θ at end of legend (DOC p.594, note; MIB 20 (second reign); SB 1289B). Toned, about extremely fine. *Extremely rare.* \$ 500

Because of the type, we have called this coin a Semissis, but weight is that of a Tremissis.



- 722 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Tremissis, 1.38g, Constantinople, 685/6. IXSTINI-ANXS P, diademed, draped and cuirassed bust of Justinian II right. Rev. VICTORIA AVGXS, cross potent, CONOB. (DOC 11; MIB 13; SB 1253). Overstruck, small planchet flaw on neck, about extremely fine. *Very rare.* \$ 1,000



- 723 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Tremissis, 1.40g, Constantinople, 687-692. D IXSTINIA-NXS P[IE] A[V], crowned and draped bust of Justinian II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AV[GX]S, cross potent, CONOB. (DOC 13; MIB 15; SB 1255). Nicely toned, about extremely fine. *Very rare.* \$ 1,000



- 724 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Tremissis, 1.32g, Constantinople, 692-695. Ihs [C]hs REX REGNANTIXM, bust of Christ facing, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels, cross behind head. Rev. D N I[XSTINI]-A-NXS S[ER]X CRISTI, Justinian standing facing, holding cross potent on decorated base (DOC 14; MIB 16; SB 1256). Clashed reverse die and overstruck, toned, about extremely fine. *Rare.* \$ 700



- 725 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Gold Tremissis, 1.26g, Syracuse, 685-695. d IXστI-NI[AN...], diademed, draped and cuirassed bust of Justinian II right. Rev. VICTORIA AVVX, cross potent, K in right field, CONOB. (DOC 52, note; MIB 21b (second reign); SB 1293). Toned, choice very fine. *Rare.* \$ 400



- 726 Justinian II (first reign, AD 685-695). Silver Hexagram, 6.36g, Constantinople, 692-695. [Ihs CRISTOS REX] REGNANT[IX]M, bust of Christ facing, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels, cross behind head. Rev. [D IXSTINI]-AN-XS SERX CRISTI, Justinian standing facing, holding cross potent on three steps, [...// CONOP]. (DOC 17; MIB 40; Yannopoulos type II, 4-8; SB 1259). Thick, dark toning, some filing on the edges, about very fine. *Extremely rare.* \$ 700



- 727 Leontius (AD 695-698). Gold Solidus, 4.27g, Constantinople. D LEO-N PE AV, crowned bust of Leontius facing, wearing loros, holding akakia and globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, ΓΑ//CONOB. (cf DOC 2 (officina not recorded); MIB 2; SB 1331). A couple of small scratches in fields, great style, superb extremely fine. \$ 3,000



- 728 Leontius (AD 695-698). Gold Solidus, 4.24g, Constantinople. D LEO-N PE AV, crowned bust of Leontius facing, wearing loros, holding akakia and globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, Α//CONOB. (DOC 1a; MIB 1; SB 1330). Light scratches in reverse field, toned, choice very fine. \$ 1,000



- 729 Leontius (AD 695-698). Gold Tremissis, 1.41g, Constantinople. [D] LEO-[N PE AV], crowned bust of Leontius facing, wearing loros, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICT[OR]IA AVGXS, cross potent, CONOB. (DOC 4; MIB 5; SB 1333). Toned, choice very fine. *Very rare.* \$ 500



- 730 Tiberius III (Apsimar) (AD 698-705). Gold Solidus, 4.34g, Constantinople. D τΙΒΕΡΙ-ΧΣ ΡΕ ΑΥ, crowned and cuirassed bust of Tiberius III facing, holding spear over chest and shield with horseman motif on arm. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, Α//CONOB. (DOC 1a; MIB 1; SB 1360). Lustrous, toned extremely fine. \$ 1,000



- 731 Tiberius III (Apsimar) (AD 698-705). Gold Semissis, 1.98g, Constantinople. D τΙΒΕΡΙ-ΧΣ ΡΕ ΑΥ, crowned and cuirassed bust of Tiberius III facing, holding spear over chest and shield with horseman motif on arm. Rev. VICTORIA AVGXS, cross potent set on globe (DOC 3; MIB 7; SB 1362). Small attempted puncture, choice very fine. \$ 500



- 732 Tiberius III (Apsimar) (AD 698-705). Gold Tremissis, 1.37g, Constantinople. D τIbERI-[XS PE AV], crowned and cuirassed bust of Tiberius III facing, holding spear over chest and shield with horseman motif on arm. Rev. VICTORIA AVGXS, cross potent, CONOB. (DOC 4; MIB 8; SB 1363). Light scratch on reverse with weak legends, very fine. *Very rare.* \$ 400



- 733 Justinian II (second reign, AD 705-711). Gold Solidus, 4.38g, Constantinople, 705. [d N] Ihs CRS RE RGNANTIXM, bust of Christ facing, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels, cross behind head. Rev. D IXS-TINIA-NXS MXLTXS AN, crowned bust of Justinian facing, wearing loros, holding cross potent on three steps and patriarchal cross on globe inscribed P[AX]. (DOC 1; MIB 1; SB 1413). Highly lustrous fields, superb extremely fine. \$ 2,500



- 734 Justinian II (second reign, AD 705-711). Gold Solidus, 4.18g, Constantinople. d N Ihs ChS REX RGNANTIXM, bust of Christ facing, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels, cross behind head. Rev. D N IXSTINIAN-XS ET TiberIXS PP A, crowned half-length figures of Justinian II, on left, and Tiberius, smaller, on right, facing, each wearing divitision and chlamys, holding between them cross potent on two steps (DOC 2a; MIB 2a; SB 1414). Lustrous and sharply struck, superb extremely fine. \$ 2,000



- 735 Justinian II (second reign, AD 705-711). Gold Solidus, 4.45g, Constantinople. d N Ihs ChS REX RGNANTIXM, bust of Christ facing, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels, cross behind head. Rev. D N IXSTINIAN-[XS ET Tibe]RIXS PP A, crowned half-length figures of Justinian II, on left, and Tiberius, on right, facing, each wearing divitision and chlamys, holding between them cross potent on two steps (DOC 2b; MIB 2b; SB 1415). Mirror-like lustre, superb extremely fine. \$ 2,000



- 736 Justinian II (second reign, AD 705-711). Gold Semissis, 2.19g, Constantinople, 705. [d N IhS CRS REX REGNANTIXM], bust of Christ facing, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels; cross behind head. Rev. [D IXS]TINI-ANXS MXLT[XS AN], crowned bust of Justinian facing, wearing loros, holding cross potent on globe and patriarchal cross on globe inscribed PAX (DOC 3; MIB 3; SB 1416). Flan flaw and striking weakness, very fine. *Very rare.* \$ 500



- 737 Justinian II (second reign, AD 705-711). Gold Tremissis, 1.34g, Constantinople, 705. [d N IhS CRS] REGNANTIXM, bust of Christ facing, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels, cross behind head. Rev. [D IXSTINI]A-NXS MXLT[XS AN], crowned bust of Justinian facing, wearing loros, holding cross potent on base and patriarchal cross on globe inscribed P[AX] (DOC 5; MIB 5; SB 1419). About extremely fine. *Very rare.* \$ 500



- 738 Justinian II (second reign, AD 705-711). Gold Tremissis, 1.35g, Constantinople. [d N] IhS ChS REX REGNANT[IXM], bust of Christ facing, raising hand in benediction and holding Gospels, cross behind head. Rev. D N [IXSTINIAN-XS ET Tibe]RIXS PP A, crowned half-length figures of Justinian II, on left, and Tiberius, on right, facing, each wearing divitision and chlamys, holding between them cross potent on base without steps (DOC 6b; MIB 6b; SB 1421). Small graffito in obverse field, about extremely fine. *Rare.* \$ 1,000



- 739 Justinian II (second reign, AD 705-711). Silver 1/8-Siliqua, 0.25g, Rome, under Pope Constantine, 708-711. Crowned bust of Justinian II facing, wearing loros. Rev. Star and cruciform KT monogram of Pope Constantine (DOC 44 (Constantine V); O'Hara type 15, no. 31; Muntoni -; Berman -; MIB -; SB 1444B). Toned, about very fine. *Extremely rare.* \$ 1,500



- 740 Philippicus (Bardanes) (AD 711-713). Gold Solidus, 4.40g, Constantinople. D N FILEPICXS MXL-TXS AN, crowned bust of Philippicus facing, wearing loros, holding globus cruciger and eagle-tipped sceptre surmounted by cross. Rev. VICTORIA AVGVXS, cross potent, CONOB. (DOC 1; MIB 1; SB 1447). Scrapes and light field marks, very fine. *Rare.* \$ 700



- 741 Philippicus (Bardanes) (AD 711-713). Gold Tremissis, 1.36g, Constantinople. [D N FILEPICXS MX]L-TXS AN, crowned bust of Philippicus facing, wearing loros, holding globus cruciger and eagle-tipped sceptre surmounted by cross. Rev. VICTORIA AVGVXS, cross potent, CONOB. (DOC 6; MIB 6; SB 1452). Flan a little wavy, choice very fine. *Very rare.* \$ 700



- 742 Philippicus (Bardanes) (AD 711-713). Gold Solidus, 3.68g, Syracuse. d N FILEPI-CXS MG, crowned bust of Philippicus facing, wearing loros, holding globus cruciger and eagle-tipped sceptre surmounted by cross. Rev. VICTORIA AVGVXS, cross potent set on three steps, P to right, CONOB. (cf DOC 16 (star at end of rev. legend); cf MIB 10 (same); SB 1458). A few very light surface marks, toned, choice very fine. *Extremely rare.* \$ 5,000



- 743 Philippicus (Bardanes) (AD 711-713). Gold Semissis, 1.63g, Syracuse. d D N FLI-PICO P[P AV], diademed, draped and cuirassed bust of Philippicus right. Rev. VICTORIA AVGVSTVS, cross potent set on globe, star following legend (DOC 17; MIB 11; SB 1459). Toned, very fine. *Very rare.* \$ 1,000



- 744 Philippicus (Bardanes) (AD 711-713). Gold Tremissis, 1.12g, Syracuse. d O FILI-PICO PP A, diademed, draped and cuirassed bust of Philippicus right. Rev. VICTORI[A] AVGX, cross potent, star at end of legend, CONOB. (DOC 18; MIB 15; SB 1460). Crude as issued, choice very fine. *Extremely rare.* \$ 1,000



- 745 Anastasius II Artemius (AD 713-715). Gold Semissis, 2.08g, Constantinople. D N ANASTASI-XS MXLTXS AN, crowned and draped bust facing, holding globus cruciger and akakia. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent on globe (DOC -; MIB 4; SB 1464A (unique)). A few light scrapes on the obverse, flan a little wavy, very fine. *Extremely rare, possibly the second known example.* \$ 1,000

Sear notes that this type is unique, with one example being cited in MIB.



- 746 Anastasius II Artemius (AD 713-715). Gold Tremissis, 1.20g, contemporary imitation(?). Ravenna(?). Uncertain legend, crowned and draped bust of Anastasius II facing, holding globus cruciger and akakia. Rev. OIIVSIAOBIOVIO, cross potent on base (DOC -; cf MIB 24-5; cf SB 1484-5). Very fine. \$ 500

This unusual coin appears to be a contemporary imitation of a Tremissis of Anastasius II. The reverse legend is gibberish, and if we could read the obverse it would probably be no different. There is some similarity to the very rare Ravenna mint Tremisses of Anastasius, and the gold is slightly debased, so it is likely that it is the product of an Italian mint.



- 747 Theodosius III of Adramyrium (AD 715-717). Gold Solidus, 4.14g, Rome, 716/7. [D] N ThIO-OSII M AV, crowned bust of Theodosius III facing, wearing loros, holding globus cruciger and akakia. Rev. VICTORI[A] A]X², cross potent on three steps, ζ A monogram following legend, star in right field, CONOB. (cf DOC 11 (I in left field on rev., no monogram); cf MIB 8 (same); cf SB 1498 (same)). Slight die-shift and some striking weakness, very fine. *Extremely rare and seemingly unpublished.* \$ 3,000



- 748 Theodosius III of Adramytium (AD 715-717). Gold Tremissis, 1.35g, Rome. D N ThE-DOSIO AG, crowned bust of Theodosius III facing, wearing loros, holding globus cruciger and akakia. Rev. VICTOR[IA AVG] A, cross potent, star in right field, CONOB. (DOC 13; MIB 10; SB 1500). Toned, choice very fine. *Extremely rare.* \$ 3,000

Grierson, DOC p.190, notes the rather careful design of this coin as compared to the other known issues of Theodosius III from Rome. Because of this, he suggests that it may have actually been struck at Ravenna, although he mentions that so far there have been no other coins of that mint for Theodosius III.



- 749 Theodosius III of Adramytium (AD 715-717). Silver Hexagram(?), 3.18g, Constantinople. d N thEodO-[SIXS MXL A], crowned bust of Theodosius III facing, wearing loros, holding globus cruciger and akakia. Rev. VICTORIA AVG[X], cross potent on three steps, Z//CONOB. (DOC 2, note; MIB 12; Yannopoulos -; SB 1491). Struck from Solidus dies, light graffito in reverse field, beautifully toned, extremely fine. *Of the greatest rarity.* \$ 5,000

Grierson mentions an example of this type, in silver, recorded by Tolstoi for officina(?). There are known specimens from two additional officinae, A and Z, recorded by Sear. All are apparently struck from solidus dies. It is not known why they were struck in silver, nor what denomination they are supposed to be (Sear calls the coin a hexagram(?), but it seems merely for convenience). Regardless of which denomination it is meant to be, it must have served some sort of ceremonial purpose, and only a handful of specimens are known.



- 750 Leo III, the Isaurian (AD 717-741). Gold Solidus, 4.42g, Constantinople. d N O LEO-N PA MXL' crowned and draped bust of Leo III facing, holding globus cruciger and akakia. Rev. VICTORIA AVGX, cross potent set on three steps, S//CONOB. (cf DOC 1 (officina not recorded); MIB 1; SB 1502). A couple of light scratches, about extremely fine. \$ 500

- 751 Leo VI, the Wise (AD 886-912). Æ Follis, 6.62g, Constantinople. + LEoh-S ALEΞAhGROS, crowned figures of Leo VI, on left, and Alexander, on right, holding akakia, enthroned facing, each wearing loros, holding between them labarum. Rev. + LEoh/S ALEΞAh/GROS bASIL'/ ROMEoh in four lines (DOC 6; SB 1730). Green patina with light sandy highlights, choice very fine. \$ 250



- 752 Arab-Byzantine. Anonymous issues. Gold Tremissis, 1.48g, c.85-95h / AD 704-713, uncertain mint in North Africa. Blundered Latin legend around and continuing across field, the central legend reads OMNIE (E retrograde). Rev. Globus on bar set on two steps with blundered Latin legend around (cf SICA I 740; Album 117). Small scratch in obverse field, choice very fine. *Very rare.* \$ 5,000

These very rare gold Arab-Byzantine issues are quite unusual in that they have blundered Latin legends, usually containing at least part of the word for either Africa or Spain (AFR or HISPAN), and a modified cross-on-steps reverse type typical of Byzantine Solidi of the period. By weight they conform to either half or one-third dinars (Semisses and Tremisses), with the number of steps beneath the globus on bar indicating the denomination. This particular coin is most interesting in that it shares its obverse die with a Semissis (for example, see Hess-Divo 309, 254).

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- 753 Macedonian Kingdom. Alexander III 'the Great' (336-323 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 17.19g, Babylon, lifetime issue, c. 324/3 BC. Head of Herakles right, wearing lion's skin headdress. Rev. ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΟΥ, Zeus seated left, holding eagle and sceptre, below throne, monogram above strut, M below, kerykeion in exergue (just visible) (Price 3629). Beautifully toned and perfectly centred head of Herakles, struck in very high relief, extremely fine. \$ 800



- 754 Julius Caesar (49-48 BC). Silver Denarius, 3.95g, Military mint travelling with Caesar. CAESAR in exergue, elephant advancing right, trampling horned serpent. Rev. Pontifical implements: simpulum, sprinkler, axe and priest's hat (Crawford 443/1; HCRI 9; Sydenham 1006; RSC 49). Nice old cabinet toning, reverse struck off centre, graffiti, extremely fine. \$ 600

Perhaps the most ubiquitous of Caesar's Denarii, this famous issue was struck at the time of his crossing of the Rubicon and the beginning of the long period of civil wars which resulted in the downfall of the Roman Republic. A few theories have been presented explaining the obverse type, the most established being that the elephant represents good, the serpent evil, thus a message of the righteousness of Caesar's cause. The reverse shows the symbols of Rome's high priest, the Pontifex Maximus, Caesar having been elected to the office in 63 BC.



- 755 Julius Caesar (49-48 BC). Silver Denarius, 4.02g, 48 BC, Military mint travelling with Caesar. Diademed and wreathed head of Pietas or Clementia(?) right, behind, [LII]. Rev. CAE-SA[R], trophy of Gallic arms; to right, axe surmounted by an animal's head (Crawford 452/2; HCRI 11; Sydenham 1009; RSC 18). Lovely toning, extremely fine. \$ 500



- 756 Alchon Huns. Adomano (mid to late 5th Century). Base Gold Dinar, 6.95g, uncertain Baktrian mint. King standing left, wearing crown with ribbons surmounted by crescent with rosette and ribbons, sacrificing at altar and holding trident, trident standard to left, tamgha to right. Rev. Ardoxsho enthroned facing, but not clear (Vondrovec type 85A; Göbl 85/6 (Khingila); Alram 30 (Khingila)). Pleasantly toned with clear types, very fine. \$ 500



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- 757 Gauda. Sasanka Deva (c. 600-635). Base Gold Dinar, 9.17g. Siva seated facing on recumbent bull left. Rev. Lakshmi seated facing on lotus, being watered by small elephants at either side (LOW 36-7; cf Rhodes & Bose fig. 12; MACW 4926). Edge split, choice very fine. \$ 500
- 758 Bengal. Samatata. Anonymous (c. early to mid 7th Century). Gold Dinar, 5.63g. King standing left holding arrow and bow, standard with conch shell to left. Rev. Lakshmi standing right, illegible inscription in right field (cf Rhodes & Bose, fig.3). Very fine. \$ 400
- 759 West Bengal. Anonymous (c. late 7th Century). Base Gold Dinar, 5.48g. King standing left holding arrow and bow, standard with eagle(?) shell to left. Rev. Lakshmi standing right (MACW 4925). Nicely toned, very fine. \$ 250



- 760 Aksumite Kingdom. Ousana(s) (II) (c. AD 330-540). Gold Unit, 1.59g. + OYCANA B-ΑΓΙΑΕΑC, crowned half-length bust of Ousanas right, holding fly-whisk, flanked by two stalks of grain. Rev. + BEDV ΧΑΓΙC, half-length bust of Ousanas right, wearing headcloth, holding fly-whisk, flanked by two stalks of grain (Munro-Hay 89; BMC Aksum 405). Toned, about extremely fine. \$ 1,000



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- 761 Aksumite Kingdom. Gersem (c. AD 540-640). Silver Unit, 1.29g. Crowned half-length bust of Gersem right. Rev. Half-length bust of Gersem right, wearing headcloth (Munro-Hay 147; BMC Aksum 555-9). Nicely toned, choice very fine. \$ 500
- 762 Aksumite Kingdom. Ioel (c. AD 540-640). Silver Unit, 0.67g. Crowned half-length bust of Ioel right. Rev. Half-length bust of Ioel right, wearing headcloth, holding hand-cross (Munro-Hay 130; BMC Aksum 450-1). Surfaces slightly grainy, attractively toned, about extremely fine. *Rare*. \$ 500



- 763 Aksumite Kingdom. Ella Gabaz (c. AD 540-640). Silver Unit, 0.85g. Crowned bust of Ella Gabaz facing, monogram in left field, crown inlaid with gold. Rev. Arch supported by columns with bases and capitals, containing a square-armed voided cross inlaid with gold (Munro-Hay 126; BMC Aksum 440-5). Small crack in edge, otherwise remarkably well-preserved, choice very fine. \$ 300

- 764 Aksumite. Silver and Bronze Coins (5). A nice group of five different types, all with clear designs making them easily identifiable, two with small gold inlays. The one silver coin chipped along the edges, but the bronzes are all quite nice, mostly very fine. (5) \$ 500



- 765 Merovingians. Paris. Gold Tremissis, 1.14g, c.584-639, Paris, moneyer Eligius. + [...]DOVEVS, diademed and draped bust of Clothaire II or Dagobert right. Rev. + ELIGIV MONETA, cross below Omega (cf Belfort 3340; MEC -). Toned, choice very fine. \$ 3,000

The moneyer, Eligius, is most certainly the same Eligius who was active during the reigns of Clothaire II and Dagobert. As a youth, he apprenticed as a goldsmith under Abbo, the head of the royal mint at Limoges, and subsequently became the royal moneyer in charge of the mint at Marseille. King Dagobert commissioned Eligius to do the magnificent gold work for the tombs of St Denis and also St Martin of Tours. In 641 he was appointed Bishop of Noyon, where he remained until his death on December 1, 660. Posthumously, the Church beatified him, making him the patron saint of Noyon, Limoges and Flanders, as well as of goldsmiths, other metalworkers, and coin collectors.



- 766 Merovingians. Paris. Silver Denarius, 0.31g, c.610-640. PARIS-IV[SO], bust right. Rev. Cross ancrée with ends of cross-arms turned down and pellet in each quarter, border broken by small cross and three pelleted annulets (Belfort 3426; MEC 598). Toned, choice very fine. \$ 700



- 767 Merovingians. Quentovic. Gold Tremissis, 1.28g, c.620-640, moneyer Dutta. + VVICCO FIT, diademed and draped bust right. Rev. DVITTA mONET, cross set on three steps (Belfort 4959; cf MEC 473). Toned, about extremely fine. *Very rare.* \$ 5,000



768 Merovingians. Banassac. Gold Tremissis, 1.23g, c.620-640. + BAH, diademed and draped bust right. Rev. GAVLETANO FIIT, chalice (Belfort 720; cf MEC 429). Nicely toned, extremely fine. *Rare.* \$ 2,500

769 Merovingians. Silver Deniers (3), uncertain cities and moneys. All with head right or left on the obverse, and either a monogram or a cross on the reverse, some traces of the legends surrounding the types remain, which should make attribution a little less challenging. A very interesting study lot worthy of closer inspection, mostly very fine. (3) \$ 500



770 Carolingians. Charlemagne (AD 768-814). Silver Denier, 1.26g, class 2, Dorestad, 771-793/4. C(AR)o/LVS in two lines. Rev. ΩΩ/STIT in two lines, axe below (Depeyrot 410; Morrison & Grunthal 699; MEC 724). Very attractively toned, a lovely boldly struck specimen, extremely fine. *Very rare.* \$ 5,000



771 Carolingians. Louis I, the Pious (AD 814-840). Silver Denier, 1.70g, class 2, Palatina, 819-822. + HLVDVICVS IMP, cross pattée. Rev. PALA/TINA MO/NETA in three lines (Depeyrot 743; Morrison & Grunthal 320; MEC 780). Light iridescent toning, about extremely fine. \$ 1,500



772 Carolingians. Eudes (King of West Francia, AD 887-898). Silver Denier, 1.59g, Limoges. + GRATIA D-I RE, cross pattée above and below ODO. Rev. + LIMOVICAS CIVIS, cross pattée (Depeyrot 511; Morrison & Grunthal 1332; MEC 973 corr. (rev. legend); Roberts 1696). Nice old toning, extremely fine. \$ 300



- 773 Suevi. Pseudo-Imperial issue. Gold Solidus, 3.86g, 568-774. Imitating a Ravenna mint Solidus of Heraclius, with Heraclius Constantine. Pseudo-legend composed of lines, crowned and draped busts of Heraclius, on left, and Heraclius Constantine, on right, facing, cross above. Rev. VICTOPIA AVIVIO, cross potent set on three steps, ONOB (cf DOC 271 for prototype). Very fine. *Very rare.* \$ 700



- 774 Lombards. Aripert II (AD 700-712). Gold Tremissis, 1.33g, Lombardy or Tuscany. D N AR-IPERT (RX), diademed, draped and cuirassed bust of Aripert II right, G before. Rev. SCS MI-HAHIL, St Michael standing left, holding long cross and round shield (cf Arslan 46; cf Bernareggi 51; MEC 1, 321). Delicately toned, superb extremely fine. \$ 2,500



- 775 Lombards. Romoald II (AD 706-731). Gold Solidus, 3.68g, Beneventum, in the name of Justinian II. D ? IUS-TINIVNV P (retrograde S), crowned and draped bust of Justinian II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTORIA VVGVST (retrograde S), cross potent on three steps, R to left, CONOB (Oddy 397 (same obv. die); MEC 1087). Toned, very fine. *Rare.* \$ 2,500



- 776 Lombards. Romoald II (AD 706-731). Gold Tremissis, 1.32g, Beneventum, in the name of Justinian II. B N IX-TNIVNXS A (S retrograde), crowned and draped bust of Justinian II facing, holding globus cruciger. Rev. VICTO-A IVY, cross potent on base, R to left, CONOB (Oddy 385; MEC 1088). Slightly wavy, extremely fine. *Very rare.* \$ 1,000



- 777 Ostrogoths. Athalaric, or his immediate successors (c. AD 530-539). Gold Solidus, 4.40g, Ravenna, in the name of Justinian I. D N IVSTINI-ANVS P Γ (AV)G, diademed, helmeted and cuirassed bust of Justinian I facing slightly right, holding spear over shoulder and shield with horseman motif on arm. Rev. VICTOR-I-A AVGGG²A, Victory standing left, holding long voided cross, star to left, COMOB (COI 36b.1; MEC 122). Toned, about extremely fine. \$ 1,000



- 778 Visigoths. Chintila (AD 636-639). Gold Tremissis, 1.24g, Ispalis. + CHI o NTIL o Λ RE, mantled bust of Chintila facing; star to right. Rev. + ISPAL * I PI o VS, mantled bust of Chintila facing (CNV 370-6; cf Miles 291). Nicely toned, extremely fine. *Rare*. \$ 2,000



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- 779 Visigoths. Sisebut (AD 612-621). Gold Tremissis, 1.46g, Ispalis. + SISEBTVS RE, mantled bust of Sisebut facing. Rev. +. ISPALI PIVS ., mantled bust of Sisebut facing (CNV 219.8; Miles 187c). Extremely fine. \$ 500
- 780 Visigoths. Suintila (AD 621-631). Gold Tremissis, 1.42g, Emerita. + SVINTHILA REX, mantled bust of Suintila facing. Rev. + EMERITA PIVS, mantled bust of Suintila facing (CNV 327.1; Miles 235a). Lustrous, very fine. \$ 400



- 781 Visigoths. Egica (AD 687-702). Gold Tremissis, 1.48g, Toletó. + IND. INM. ECICA (R+), mantled bust of Egica right. Rev. + TOLETO PIVS, cross pattée set on three steps, two pellets below (cf CNV 526; cf Miles 435*). Very fine. *Rare*. \$ 1,000



- 782 Britain. Trinovantes and Catuvellauni. Epaticcus (c. AD 35-43). Silver Unit, 1.27g. TAS-CIO-V, Victory seated right, holding wreath. Rev. EPAT, boar charging right; tree branch above (Van Arsdell 581-1; SCBC 357). Attractive toning with golden-green and purplish hues, very well struck for the type, extremely fine. \$ 300



- 783 Anglo-Saxon. Primary Sceattas. Silver Sceat, 1.18g, c.695/700-710, series BID. Diademed head right. Rev. Bird seated right on cross, annulets at ends of cross-arms, pellets in quarters (Metcalf 112; SCBC 777). Bluish toning, very fine. \$ 300



- 784 Anglo-Saxon. Primary Sceattas. Silver Sceat, 1.14g, c.695/700-710, series C2, Kent. Radiate bust right, Runic ÆPA before. Rev. Standard with TOTII legend, alternating crosses and Ts at sides and angles (Metcalf 121-5; SCBC 779). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 300
- 785 Anglo-Saxon. Primary Sceattas. Silver Sceat, 1.08g, c.695/700-710, series F, type 24d, uncertain mint. Helmeted bust right, blundered legend around. Rev. Small cross pattée with two annulets in upper quarters, blundered legend around (cf Metcalf 136; SCBC 781). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 300



- 786 Anglo-Saxon. Secondary Sceattas. Silver Sceat, 1.19g, c.710-720/5, series G, type 3a, Northumbrian mint, probably York. Diademed and draped bust right, cross before. Rev. Standard with central pellet-in-annulet, saltires in corners and pellets between saltires, crosses and pellets in margin (Metcalf 267-8; SCBC 808). Nicely toned, superb extremely fine. \$ 1,000



- 787 Anglo-Saxon. Secondary Sceattas. Silver Sceat, 1.16g, c.710-720/5, type 30b, East Midlands mint. 'Wodan head' with long beard facing. Rev. Two figures standing facing, holding between them long cross set on triangular base (Metcalf 430; SCBC 844). Toned, choice very fine. \$ 500



- 788 Anglo-Saxon. Secondary Sceattas. Silver Sceat, 0.91g, c.710-720/5, uncertain series. Debased radiate bust right. Rev. Cross with pellets in angles, various symbols around (cf SCBC 779/840 (obv./rev.)). Lovely toning, extremely fine. \$ 300



- 789 Anglo-Saxon. Secondary Sceattas. Silver Sceat, 0.88g, c.710-720/5, series J, type 37. Two diademed heads confronted, long cross with trident end between. Rev. Cross with bird right at each end (Metcalf 296-9; SCBC 792). Toned, very fine. \$ 300



- 790 Anglo-Saxon. Continental Sceattas. Silver Sceat, 1.08g, c.710-730/50, series D, Frisian mint, possibly Dorestad. 'Porcupine' right. Rev. Standard with TOTII legend, various symbols around (SCBC 786). Toned, extremely fine. \$ 250



- 791 Anglo-Saxon. Secondary Sceattas. Silver Sceat, 0.78g, c.710-720/5, series O, type 40. Standing figure holding two crosses. Rev. Dragon left, head turned to look back (Metcalf 379-81; SCBC 811). Nicely toned, about very fine. \$ 250



- 792 Islamic. Umayyad. 'Abd al-Malik (65-86h; AD 685-705). Gold Dinar, 4.26g, 79h Damishq (Album 125). About extremely fine. \$ 500

MISCELLANEOUS

- 793 Roman. Macrinus. Small Æ, Ephesus; Severus Alexander. Silver Denarius; Julian II. Æ Maiorina, Lugdunum. Second beautifully toned and choice, generally very fine to extremely fine. (3) \$ 300
- 794 Mixed lot of Byzantine, Medieval and Indian coins. Comprising, Gold Semis of Maurice Tiberius. Fourrée Solidus of Constans II of 'Germanic' style. Silver Hexagram of Constans II. Provincial mint Æ ½-Follis of Leo VI. Imitative Byzantine Bronze Coin. Two Vandalic(?) Æ Nummi. Silver Bracteate of Bela III of Hungary. Uncertain Indian Æ. Generally about very fine to extremely fine, an interesting group with some scarce and better issues. (9) \$ 500
- 795 Byzantine. Bronze Coins from Alexandria (3). Khusrow II, 12-Nummi (2), SB 855 and SB 856, and one uncertain issue. Generally fine to very fine. (3) \$ 250
- 796 Arab-Byzantine. Miscellaneous Bronze Coins (17). A variety of types and mints. Generally fine to choice very fine. *Some quite scarce.* (17) \$ 300

ANCIENT COINS

Other Properties

ANCIENT GREEK

An Attractive Metapontum Gold Third Stater



- 797 Lucania, Metapontum (c.330-320 BC). Gold 1/3-Stater, 2.79g, 1h. ΛΕΥΚΙΠΠΙΟΣ, bearded head of Leukippos facing right, wearing a crested Corinthian helmet, the bowl adorned with Skylla hurling a stone. Rev. M – E, two barley-ears, each with a leaf outwards, ΣΙ between them (Antikenmuseum Basel 153 (these dies); Gulbenkian 72 (these dies); SNG ANS 396 (these dies); SNG Lockett 404 (these dies); Johnston G 5.1 (these dies)). A very attractive example with beautiful light red toning, extremely fine. \$ 7,500

ex Numismatica Ars Classica 23, Zürich, 19 March 2002, lot 1043

A Beautiful Poseidonia Drachm



- 798 Lucania, Poseidonia (c.530-500 BC). Silver Drachm, 3.63g, 12h. ΠΙΟΣ, Poseidon striding right, naked but for a chlamys draped across his shoulders, preparing to hurl a trident from his raised left arm. Rev. similar type, incuse, to left (SNG ANS 620 (these dies); Antikenmuseum Basel 160; SNG Lloyd 434; HN Italy 1108). An excellent example, well-struck on very good metal, good very fine to nearly extremely fine. \$ 6,000

ex Spink, Zürich 13, 1984, lot 573

ex The New York Sale XXXII, Baldwin / Markov / M&M, 2014, lot 79



- 799 Sicily, Leontinoi (c.430-425 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 17.64g, 7h. Laureate head of Apollo facing left. Rev. LEONTINON, lion's head, with jaws open and tongue protruding, facing left, a bay-leaf behind, three barley-corns around (Rizzo pl. XXIV, 4 (these dies); SNG ANS 257 (these dies); Boehringer, 'Zur Münzgeschichte von Leontinoi in Klassischen Zeit', in *Studies to Price*, 55 (these dies)). Extremely fine. \$ 5,500

Exceptional Style



- 800** Sicily, Syracuse, Timoleon and the Third Democracy (344-317 BC). Gold 30 Litrai, 2.21g, 9h. Struck 344-337 BC. [IEYΣ] EΛEY[ΘEΠIOΣ], laureate head of Zeus Eleutherios facing left. Rev. ΣYΠ-A-KOΣI[ΩN], Pegasus flying left, three pellets below, AP monogram on left (SNG ANS 493 (this reverse die); S. Garaffo, 'Zeus Eleutherios – Zeus Olimpius', in *Annali dell'Instituto Italiano di Numismatica* 23-24, 1977, pl. 1, 8 (this reverse die)). Of exceptional style, the work of a talented die-engraver, extremely fine and most attractive. \$ 5,500

ex Numismatica Ars Classica 23, Zürich, 19 March 2002, lot 1136

A Beautiful Syracuse Stater



- 801** Sicily, Syracuse, Timoleon and the Third Democracy (344-317 BC). Silver Stater, 8.65g, 3h. Struck 344-335 BC. Pegasus flying left. Rev. ΣYΠAKOΣIΩN, head of Athena facing right, wearing a Corinthian helmet (ANG ANS 496-507; Calciati 2). A beautiful example, well-centred on a broad flan and of particularly fine style, attractive cabinet tone, extremely fine. \$ 4,500

purchased from Tradart, 1997



- 802** Sicily, Syracuse, Hiketias II (287-278 BC). AE 24mm, 11.47g, 5h. Struck c. 283-279 BC. ΔIOΣ EΛΛANIOΣ, laureate youthful head of Zeus Hellanios facing right, a palladion behind. Rev. ΣYΠAK-OΣΩIΩN, eagle standing left on a thunderbolt, a star on left (CNS 168; SNG ANS 803 var). Beautiful dark green patina, extremely fine. \$ 900

An Extremely Rare Tetradrachm of Pantikapaion



- 803** Black Sea Region, Cimmerian Bosphoros, Pantikapaion (c.355-340 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 15.75g, 11h. Laureate head of Apollo facing left. Rev. Horse standing left, grazing on flowers sprouting up from an exergual line, ΠΑΝΤΙ below (MacDonald 49 (this coin); Anokhin 117; Zograph 15; SNG BM -; SNG Stancomb -; SNG Copenhagen -). Some minor pitting, otherwise good extremely fine and beautifully toned. *Extremely rare and missing from most major collections.* \$ 16,500

ex Giessener Münzhandlung, Dieter Gorny GmbH, Jubiläumsauktion 100/II, 20 November 1999, lot 1014

In the past eight years, two similar examples of this type have come to market, each selling for in excess of \$16,000 hammer price, including the Alex Shubs specimen in CNG 84 (2010). This piece, in addition to being the MacDonald plate coin, is a full grade higher than these others and very likely the finest example in private hands.



- 804** Black Sea Region, Moesia, Istros (c.400-350 BC). Silver Drachm, 5.46g. Two young male heads facing side-by-side, the left one inverted. Rev. ΙΣΤΡΙΑ (only partially visible), sea-eagle standing to right on a dolphin, attacking it with its beak, monogram below (SNG BM Black Sea 251 var). About very fine. \$ 150
- 805** Black Sea Region, Moesia, Istros (c.400-350 BC). Silver Drachm, 4.89g. Two young male heads facing side-by-side, the left one inverted. Rev. ΙΣΤΡΙΑ, sea-eagle standing to right on a dolphin, attacking it with its beak, monogram below (SNG BM Black Sea 251 var). Very fine. \$ 180



- 806** Black Sea Region, Moesia, Istros (c.400-350 BC). Silver 1/4-Drachm, 1.10g. Two young male heads facing side-by-side, the left one inverted. Rev. ΙΣΤΡΙΑ, sea-eagle standing to left on a dolphin, attacking it with its beak, I above; another Silver 1/4-Drachm, 1.01g, similar, but with Θ on reverse below wing (SNG BM Black Sea 258 var; SNG Stancomb 143 var). Both nearly very fine, toned. *Rare.* (2) \$ 120



- 807** Scythian Dynasts, Koson (mid 1st Century BC). Gold Stater, 8.36g, 12h. Imitating types of M. Junius Brutus. ΚΟΣΩΝ in exergue, togate Roman consul walking left between two togate lictors each carrying a fasces over their shoulder, monogram in field left. Rev. Eagle standing left on sceptre holding wreath in one raised foot (RPC 1071a, pl. 81; BMC Thrace p. 208, 1). Well centred, in NGC ANCIENTS holder (Strike: 5/5, Surface: 5/5), extremely fine. \$ 1,200

Ainos Tetradrachm from the Lockett Collection



- 808** Thrace, Ainos (c.398/7-396/5 BC). Silver Tetrachm, 14.86g, 12h. Head of Hermes facing, inclined slightly to left, wearing a petasos. Rev. AINION, goat standing right, a vine with two grape-clusters on right; all within an incuse square (May 348 (A.215/P.234) (this coin); SNG Lockett 1168 (this coin); Strack, AMNG, 326). Of superb Classical style, a wonderful example of the die engraver's art, beautiful old cabinet tone, good very fine and with an excellent pedigree. \$ 10,000

ex R C Lockett Collection, Glendining's, 12 February 1958, lot 1084 (listed as ex Dr Greenwell and Alberto Sangorski Collections)

This coin published in 'Ainos, Its History and Coinage', J.M.F. May (1950), p.216, 348, illustrated on pl. V.



- 809** Thracian Islands, Thasos (c.463-449 BC). Silver Stater, 8.77g. Naked ithyphallic satyr in a kneeling-running position to right, carrying off in his arms a nymph, who wears robes and raises her right hand in protest. Rev. Quadripartite incuse square of mill-sail pattern (Le Rider, Thasiennes, 5; SNG Copenhagen 1010-11). Well-struck and of excellent style, a few deposits on reverse, good very fine to nearly extremely fine. \$ 5,500

purchased from Spink & Son Ltd, London, 2001

Exceptional Hellenistic Style



- 810** Thracian Islands, Thasos (c.160-100 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 17.02g, 12h. Head of young Dionysos facing right, diademed and wreathed with ivy and berries. Rev. ΗΡΑΚΛΕΟΥΣ / ΣΩΤΗΡΟΣ / ΘΑΣΙΩΝ, Youthful Herakles, naked, standing facing, his head turned left, holding a club and lion's skin, ΔΙ monogram on left (SNG Copenhagen 1038; Le Rider 51). Of exceptionally beautiful Hellenistic style, the work of a talented engraver, well-struck and attractively toned, good extremely fine, a superb example. \$ 3,500

purchased from Tradart, 2003



- 811** Macedonia, Mende (c.450-440 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 16.75g, 11h. Dionysos, in a drunken state, holding a kantharos in his right hand, reclining to left on an ass walking to right on an exergual line, a crow perched in a bush on right, an ant below the ass. Rev. ΜΕΝ-Δ-ΑΙ-ΟΝ, grape-vine with five grape-clusters, all within an incuse square (Noe, 'The Mende (Kaliandra) Hoard', ANS NNM 27, 1926, 76; SNG ANS 341 var). Attractively toned, good very fine *A rare variety*. \$ 9,000

ex Leu Numismatik 91, Zürich, 10 May 2004, lot 105



- 812** Macedon, Olynthos, Chalkidian League (c.427-421 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 14.05g, 6h. Struck c.383-379 BC. Head of Apollo facing left, wearing laurel-wreath. Rev. X-A-ΛΚΙΔ-ΕΩΝ, kithara (Robinson & Clement, Excavations at Olynthos, IX, 19 (A17/P17); SNG ANS 473). Of bold and attractive style, toned, a few light marks otherwise nearly extremely fine, a very good example of this obverse without die-rust. \$ 7,000

ex Spink Numismatic Circular, September 2009, vol CXVII, no.4, item GK2774 (illustrated on the front cover)

Lifetime Philip II Tetradrachm



- 813** Kingdom of Macedon, Philip II (359-336 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 14.51g, 1h. Mint of Pella, lifetime issue, struck c. 342-336 BC. Bearded head of Zeus facing right, wearing a laurel-wreath. Rev. ΦΙΛΙΠΠΙΟΥ, naked youth on horseback right, holding a palm and the reins, a thunderbolt below, N in exergue (*Le Rider* 327 (D178/R263); SNG ANS 400 (this obverse die)). Of fine style and an excellent example of a lifetime issue of Philip II, struck in high relief, extremely fine. \$ 8,500

purchased from Tradart



- 814** Kingdom of Macedon, Philip II (359-336 BC). Gold Stater, 8.59g, 1h. Mint of Pella, struck c. 340-328 BC. Laureate head of Apollo facing right. Rev. ΦΙΛΙΠΠΙΟΥ (in exergue), charioteer driving a galloping biga right, holding the reins and a kentron, a trident below the horses (*Le Rider* pl. 63, 341 (D152/R260); SNG ANS 154). Residual lustre beneath light tone, extremely fine. \$ 2,500



- 815** Kingdom of Macedon, Philip II (359-336 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 14.34g, 8h. Mint of Amphipolis, struck c. 323-316 BC. Laureate and bearded head of Zeus facing right. Rev. ΦΙΛΙΠΠΙΟΥ, naked youth on horseback right, holding long palm branch in his right hand, the reins with his left hand, a lustre and monogram below (*Le Rider*, pl. 46, 18; SNG ANS 738). Well-struck and with residual lustre, extremely fine. \$ 1,500

- 816** Kingdom of Macedon, Philip II (359-336 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 14.30g, 8h. Mint of Amphipolis, posthumous issue, struck c. 323-316 BC. Laureate and bearded head of Zeus facing right. Rev. ΦΙΛΙΠΠΙΟΥ, naked youth on horseback right, holding a long palm-branch and the reins, a dolphin and ΠΟ between horse's legs (*Le Rider*, pl. 46, 19; SNG ANS 749). Extremely fine. \$ 750



- 817** Kingdom of Macedon, Alexander III, The Great (336-323 BC). Gold Stater, 8.55g, 9h. Mint of Lampsakos, struck c. 328-323 BC. Head of Athena facing right, wearing a crested Corinthian helmet decorated with a snake. Rev. ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΟΥ, Nike, wearing a long chiton, standing left, holding a wreath and a stylis, two horse-foreparts conjoined on left, a monogram below (*Price* 1358 (these dies); Thompson, 'Alexander's Drachm Mints II: Lampsacus and Abydos, ANS NS 19 (1991), 16, 100 (these dies)). Extremely fine. \$ 2,800
ex Paeonian Hoard of 1968 (IGCH 410)



- 818** Kingdom of Macedon, Alexander III, The Great (336-323 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 17.11g, 9h. Mint of Arados, struck c. 324-320 BC. Head of young Herakles facing right, wearing a lion's skin. Rev. ΒΑΣΙΛΕΥΣ ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΟΥ, Zeus enthroned left, holding an eagle and a sceptre, monograms on left and below throne (Price 3321; Müller 1363). Well-struck on a broad flan and of fine style, attractive red toning, about extremely fine. \$ 1,500



- 819** Kingdom of Macedon, Alexander III, The Great (336-323 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 17.23g, 3h. Mint of Amphipolis, posthumous issue, struck c. 315-294 BC. Head of young Herakles facing right, wearing a lion's skin. Rev. ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΟΥ, Zeus, naked to waist, enthroned left, holding an eagle and a sceptre, Λ over a torch on left, a monogram below throne (Price 447; SNG München 308). Broad flan, slightly double-struck on reverse, good style, extremely fine. \$ 550

ex W B Rudman Collection

- 820** Paeonia, Pelagia (c.300-280 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 12.07g, 5h. Laureate head of Apollo facing left. Rev. ΠΕΛΛ (retrograde), tripod, a crescent below the central leg, a knife on right (May, The Coinage of Damastion, 7 and pl. X, 7a (these dies)). Of very good style, extremely fine. *Very rare.* \$ 1,200

ex Paeonian Hoard of 1968 (IGCH 410)



- 821** Kingdom of Paeonia, Patraos (340-315 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 13.06g, 7h. Youthful, laureate head facing right. Rev. ΠΑΤΡΑ-ΑΟΥ (P retrograde), Paeonian horseman galloping right, wearing a military costume and a helmet, spearing with his right hand a fallen Macedonian soldier holding a round shield, a kantharos in left field (Paeonian Hoard I, 184 (these dies)). Good style, broad flan, extremely fine. \$ 450

ex Paeonian Hoard of 1968 (IGCH 410)

- 822** Kingdom of Paeonia, Patraos (340-315 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 12.48g, 11h. Youthful, laureate head facing right. Rev. ΠΑΤΡΑ-Ο-Υ, Paeonian horseman galloping right, wearing a military costume and a helmet, spearing with his right hand a fallen Macedonian soldier holding a round shield, a bucranium in left field (Paeonian Hoard I, 227 (these dies); SNG ANS 1030). Good style, broad flan, obverse almost extremely fine, reverse extremely fine. \$ 320

ex Paeonian Hoard of 1968 (IGCH 410)



- 823 Kingdom of Paeonia, Patraos (340-315 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 12.53g, 9h. Youthful, laureate head facing right. Rev. ΠΑΤΡΑΟ-Y, Paeonian horseman galloping right, wearing a military costume and a helmet, spearing with his right hand a fallen Macedonian soldier holding a round shield, a monogram in left field (Paeonian Hoard I, 424 (these dies); SNG Oxford 3359). Good style, extremely fine. \$ 350
ex Paeonian Hoard of 1968 (IGCH 410)



- 824 Thessaly, Larissa (c.405/0-370 BC). Silver Drachm, 6.18g, 11h. Reverse die signed by the engraver Simo-. Head of the nymph Larissa facing, slightly inclined to the right. Rev. [Λ]ΑΠΙ, horse standing right, its head lowered, ΣΙΜΟ below (BCD Thessaly II, 231 (these dies); Lorber, in *Florilegium Numismaticum: Studia in Honorem U. Westermark*, 1992, 43.1 (these dies)). Very fine to good very fine, of captivating style. \$ 2,000



- 825 Thessaly, Larissa (mid to late 4th Century BC). Silver Drachm, 6.06g, 7h. Head of the nymph Larissa facing, slightly inclined to the left, her hair bound with an ampyx. Rev. ΛΑΠΙΣ / ΑΙΩΝ, horse standing right, preparing to lie-down (BCD Thessaly II, 323 (this obverse die); Herrmann, pl. V, 14). Well-centred on a broad flan of excellent metal, beautiful style and with an enchanting iridescent cabinet tone, extremely fine. \$ 2,500
purchased Spink & Son Ltd, London

A Beautiful Early Athenian Tetradrachm



- 826 Attica, Athens (c.550-520 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 16.66g, 12h. Archaic head of Athena facing right, wearing a crested Attic helmet and an earring. Rev. ΑΘΕ, owl standing right, its head facing, an olive-sprig behind, all within a shallow incuse square (Seltman, Group C, 55, pl. III; cf Svoronos pl. 4, 12; Asyut 291). An attractive example of this early issue, of superb Archaic style, well-centred, dark tone, good very fine. *Very rare.* \$ 10,000

An Intriguing Eastern Mint Tetradrachm



- 827** Attica, Athens (after 449 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 17.43g, 3h. Near Eastern imitation. Head of Athena facing right, wearing a crested Attic helmet decorated with three olive-leaves and a palmette. Rev. AΘE, owl standing right, its head facing, an olive-sprig and crescent behind, two small letters to right of owl; all within an incuse square (Svoronos -; Flament -; SNG ANS -; Gitler & Tal -; Alram -; Meshorer & Qedar -; Kroll -; SNG Copenhagen -; cf Price, 'More from Memphis and the Syria 1989 Hoard', in Essays Carson Jenkins, pl. IX, 23). An excellent example of exquisite style, with virtually all of the crest visible, attractive cabinet tone, about extremely fine. *Apparently unpublished, a most intriguing piece.* \$ 9,000

ex Hirsch Auction 168, 1990, lot 231



- 828** Attica, Athens (c.449-415 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 17.19g, 9h. Head of Athena facing right, wearing a crested Attic helmet decorated with three olive-leaves and a palmette. Rev. AΘE, owl standing right, its head facing, an olive-sprig and a crescent behind; all within an incuse square (Kroll 8; SNG Copenhagen 31). A good example struck on a broad flan, much crest visible, extremely fine. \$ 2,500



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- 829** Attica, Athens (c.449-415 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 17.29g, 8h. Head of Athena facing right, wearing crested Attic helmet decorated with three olive-leaves and a palmette. Rev. AΘE, owl standing right, its head facing, an olive-sprig and crescent behind, all within an incuse square (Kroll 8; SNG Copenhagen 31). An excellent example with much of the crest visible, toned, nearly extremely fine. \$ 2,200

- 830** Attica, Athens (c.449-415 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 17.20g, 8h. Head of Athena facing right, wearing a crested Attic helmet decorated with three olive-leaves and a palmette. Rev. AΘE, owl standing right, its head facing, an olive-sprig and a crescent behind; all within an incuse square (Kroll 8; SNG Copenhagen 31). Residual lustre, extremely fine. \$ 2,000



- 831** Attica, Athens (c.449-415 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 17.14g, 1h. Head of Athena facing right, wearing a crested Attic helmet decorated with three olive-leaves and a palmette. Rev. AΘE, owl standing right, its head facing, an olive-sprig and a crescent behind; all within an incuse square (Kroll 8; SNG Copenhagen 31). A few minor pits, extremely fine. \$ 2,000



- 832** Attica, Athens (c.449-415 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 17.13g, 4h. Head of Athena facing right, wearing crested Attic helmet decorated with three olive-leaves and a palmette. Rev. AΘE, owl standing right, its head facing, an olive-sprig and crescent behind, all within an incuse square (Kroll 8; SNG Copenhagen 31). Extremely fine. \$ 1,800
- 833** Attica, Athens (c.449-415 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 17.16g, 6h. Head of Athena facing right, wearing crested Attic helmet decorated with three olive-leaves and a palmette. Rev. AΘE, owl standing right, its head facing, an olive-sprig and crescent behind, all within an incuse square (Kroll 8; SNG Copenhagen 31). Attractive style, good very fine. \$ 1,000



- 834** Attica, Athens (early 4th Century BC). Plated Tetradrachm, 13.87g, 9h. Head of Athena facing right, wearing a crested Attic helmet decorated with three olive-leaves and a palmette. Rev. AΘE, owl standing right, its head facing, an olive-sprig and a crescent behind, all within an incuse square (Kroll 15; Svoronos pl. 20, 2ff). With virtually full plating, nearly extremely fine and a good example. \$ 800
- 835** Corinth (c.375-300 BC). Silver Stater, 8.52g, 6h. Pegasos flying left, koppa below. Rev. Head of Athena facing left, wearing a Corinthian helmet decorated with a laurel-wreath, A-P below neck, a plow behind (Calciati, Pegasi 439; Ravel 1021; BCD Corinth 107). Attractive old cabinet tone, good very fine. \$ 700



- 836** Kingdom of Pontus, Mithradates VI "The Great" (c.120-63 BC). Gold Stater, 8.35g, 12h. Struck in the name of Lysimachos. Mint of Kallatis, struck c. 88-86 BC. Diademed head of Alexander the Great facing right, wearing horn of Ammon. Rev. ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΣ ΛΥΣΙΜΑΧΟΥ, Athena enthroned left, holding Nike and resting her left elbow on a shield set at her side; behind her rests a spear, HP monogram below arm, KAA on throne, a trident in exergue (De Callataj p. 140 (D5-R4), p. XXXVII = SNG Copenhagen 1089; AMNG 266). Struck from dies of exceptional workmanship for these issues, sharp and of good style, lustrous, good extremely fine. \$ 2,000



- 837** Kingdom of Pontos, Mithradates VI Eupator (c.120-63 BC). Gold Stater, 8.25g, 12h. In the name and types of Lysimachos. Mint of Kallatis, struck during the first Mithradatic War, c.88-86 BC, head of the deified Alexander the Great facing right, diademed, with horn of Ammon. Rev. ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΣ / ΛΥΣΙΜΑΧΟΥ, Athena Nikephoros seated left, holding Victory and resting on a shield at her side, monogram on left, ΚΑΑ on throne, trident left in exergue (Callataj p.140, pl.XXXVII (D6/R1a)). About extremely fine. \$ 950



- 838** Kingdom of Pontos, Mithradates VI Eupator (c.120-63 BC). Gold Stater, 8.27g, 12h. In the name and types of Lysimachos. Mint of Kallatis, struck during the first Mithradatic War, c.88-86 BC, head of the deified Alexander the Great facing right, diademed, with horn of Ammon. Rev. ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΣ / ΛΥΣΙΜΑΧΟΥ, Athena Nikephoros seated left, holding Victory and resting on a shield at her side, monogram on left, ΚΑΑ on throne, trident left in exergue (Callataj p.140, pl.XXXVII (D6/R-)). About extremely fine. \$ 950
- 839** Kingdom of Pontos, Mithradates VI Eupator (c.120-63 BC). Gold Stater, 8.29g, 12h. In the name and types of Lysimachos. Mint of Tomis, struck during the first Mithradatic War, c.88-86 BC, head of the deified Alexander the Great facing right, diademed, with horn of Ammon. Rev. ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΣ / ΛΥΣΙΜΑΧΟΥ, Athena Nikephoros seated left, holding Victory and resting on a shield at her side, monogram on left, ΤΟ on throne, trident left in exergue (Callataj p.141, pl.XXXVII (D3/R1a)). Light double-striking on the obverse, nearly extremely fine. \$ 900



- 840** Mysia, Kyzikos (c.550-500 BC). EL Hekte, 2.60g. Facing head of Silenos, a tunny on each side (only one visible). Rev. Quadripartite incuse square (von Fritze I, 77; SNG France 208). Obverse a little off-centre, otherwise extremely fine. *Rare.* \$ 1,200



- 841** Mysia, Kyzikos (525-475 BC). Silver Drachm, 4.84g, 9h. Forepart of wild boar left, line of beads with tunny vertically behind. Rev. Lion's head facing left, its mouth open, reverted "K" above, all within an incuse square (SNG BN 379). Very fine to good very fine. \$ 1,500

ex Gemini VII, 2011, lot 463
ex Gorny & Mosch 199, 2011, lot 353



- 842** Mysia, Kyzikos (c.450-400 BC). Silver Diobol, 1.24g, 3h. Forepart of wild boar left, line of beads with tunny upright behind. Rev. Head of a roaring lion facing left (Von Fritze II, 9; SNG France 341ff). Somewhat grainy, but better surfaces than usually found, finely detailed, nearly extremely fine. \$ 400



- 843** Mysia, Kyzikos (2nd to 1st Century BC). AE 28mm, 9.57g, 12h. Wreathed head of Kore-Soteira facing right. Rev. Tripod, palm frond above, torch below, monograms at left and right (SNG von Aulock 7355 var; SNG Cop 84 var). Lovely dark green patina with earthen dark orange-brown highlights, good very fine. \$ 250
- 844** Mysia, Kyzikos (2nd to 1st Century BC). AE 25mm, 10.34g, 12h. Bull butting right, within a beaded circle. Rev. Flaming torch, monogram to left and right (Von Fritze III, 30 var; SNG von Aulock 1240 var; SNG Cop 81 var). Dark patina, some light smoothing in obverse field, good very fine. \$ 250

A Very Rare Tritē



- 845** Ionia (c.670 BC). Electrum Tritē, 4.60g. Lightly striated surface (perhaps an earlier prototype of the clearly striated issues). Rev. two incuse punches, side-by-side (SNG Kayhan 679; Weidauer 5). One of the very first coins to bear an obverse design, about extremely fine. *Very rare.* \$ 5,500

ex Spink Numismatic Circular, July 2009, vol CXVII, no.3, item GK2754



- 846** Ionia (c.670 BC). Electrum 1/24-Stater, 0.46g. Striated surface. Rev. incuse punch (SNG Kayhan 682; Weidauer 9 var). One of the very first coins to bear an obverse design, good very fine. *Very rare.* \$ 1,100
purchased from Spink, September 2009



- 847 Ionia, Erythrai (c.550-500 BC). EL Hekte, 2.56g. Head of Herakles facing left, wearing a lion's skin. Rev. Quadripartite incuse square (SNG Kayhan 737-8; SNG von Aulock 1942; Boston 1806-7). Nearly extremely fine. \$ 1,800



- 848 Ionia, Teos (c.478-459 BC). Silver Stater, 12.05g. T-HI-O-N, griffin seated right, a facing panther's head below its raised foreleg. Rev. Quadripartite incuse square with granular surfaces (Balcer, SNR 47, 103; BMC 19). Good very fine, attractive light toning. \$ 1,500

ex ACR Auction 12, 29 October 2014, lot 321



- 849 Caria, Uncertain Mint (c.490-480 BC). Silver Stater, 11.83g. Naked male deity, with curved wings and winged feet, advancing left. Rev. Rough incuse square (Troxell, Winged 33 = Asyut 686 (these dies); SNG von Aulock 2343; SNG Keckman -). A little softly struck in part, toned, very fine. *Extremely rare.* \$ 2,250



- 850 Caria, Stratonikeia (c.125-85 BC). Silver Hemidrachm, 1.20g, 12h. Laureate and bearded head of Zeus facing right. Rev. ΜΕΝΓΑ[.], eagle with open wings standing right, Σ on left, all within an incuse square, 1.20g, 12h (SNG Copenhagen -; SNG von Aulock -; BMC 4-5 var). Good very fine, toned. *A rare variety.* \$ 275



- 851 Carian Islands, Rhodes (c.31 BC – AD 60). AE 39mm, 22.85g, 1h. Magistrate Eudoros. Head of youthful Dionysos facing left, wearing ivy-wreath. Rev. ΕΠΙ ΕΥΔΩΡΟΥ – ΡΟΔΙΩΝ, Nike advancing right, on a globe with rose, holding a wreath and palm (SNG von Aulock 2845; SNG Keckman 767; RPC 2766; BMC 374). Very attractive and natural dark green patina with earthen highlights, very fine. *Rare.* \$ 2,000

ex Lanz 154, 11 June 2012, lot 191



- 852** Satraps of Caria, Maussollos (377-353 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 15.17g, 12h. Mint of Halikarnassos, head of Apollo facing, inclined slightly to right, wearing a laurel-wreath. Rev. ΜΑΥΣΣΩΛ[ΛΟ], Zeus Labraundos standing right, wearing a chiton and a himation, holding spear in his left hand and double-headed axe (labrys) over his shoulder in his right (SNG von Aulock 2359; SNG Copenhagen 590; SNG Kayhan 872). Attractive style, good very fine / very fine. \$ 1,900

purchased from Spink, 2004



- 853** Satraps of Caria, Maussollos (377-353 BC). Silver Drachm, 3.70g, 12h. Mint of Halikarnassos, head of Apollo facing, inclined slightly to right, wearing a laurel-wreath. Rev. ΜΑΥΣΣΩΛ[ΛΟ], Zeus Labraundos standing right, wearing a chiton and a himation, holding spear in his left hand and double-headed axe (labrys) over his shoulder in his right (SNG von Aulock 2363). About very fine. \$ 350

ex Spink Auction, 27 September 2007, lot 86



- 854** Kingdom of Lydia, Time of Alyattes to Kroisos (c.610-546 BC). Electrum Triton, 4.74g. Mint of Sardes. Head of roaring lion facing right, sun with multiple rays on forehead. Rev. Two incuse square punches (Weidauer Group XVI, 89; SNG Kayhan 1013; Rosen 655; SNG von Aulock 2868-9). Slightly irregular flan, very fine. \$ 1,750



- 855** Lycia, Uncertain Dynast (c.480-440 BC). Silver Stater, 9.09g. Forepart of a boar facing right. Rev. Crossed lines within an incuse punch (SNG von Aulock 4054; Falghera 2). Small test-cut on reverse, nearly extremely fine, toned. \$ 650

ex Spink Numismatic Circular, October 2006, vol CXIV, no.5, item GK1994

- 856** Pamphylia, Aspendos (c.420-380 BC). Silver Drachm, 5.58g, 2h. Horseman galloping left, brandishing a spear. Rev. ΕΣΤΦΕΔΙΙ[ΥΣ], boar running right (SNG France 20; SNG Delepierre 2813). Struck on an unusual elongated flan, countermarks on reverse, about extremely fine. \$ 1,000

- 857** Cilicia, Nagidos (374-356 BC). Silver Stater, 10.72g, 4h. Aphrodite seated left holding phiale over altar and resting left arm on back of seat, Eros standing behind her crowning her with wreath. Rev. ΝΑΓΙΔΕΩ[Ν], Dionysos standing left holding thyrsos and vine-branch and grapes (BMC 12). Very fine. \$ 400



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858 Kingdom of Syria, Seleukid Kings, Seleukos I (312-280 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 17.11g, 10h. Head of Seleukos I facing right, wearing a helmet ornamented with a panther-skin and ram-horns. Rev. Nike crowning a trophy right, radiate head of Helios below (Newell, ESM, 301; Houghton & Lorber, SC I, 173.16). Broad flan and very fine. *Rare.* \$ 3,500

859 Kingdom of Syria, Seleukid Kings, Antiochos III (223-187 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 16.82g, 12h. Mint of Antioch on the Orontes. Struck c.208-200 BC. Diademed head facing right. Rev. ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΣ ΑΝΤΙΟΧΟΥ, Apollo seated left on omphalos, holding an arrow and a bow, a bow and quiver on left (Houghton & Lorber, SC 1044.5a; SNG Spaer 544; Newell, WSM 1100). Attractive light toning, extremely fine. \$ 1,000

An Extremely Rare Tetradrachm of Antiochos IV



860 Kingdom of Syria, Seleukid Kings, Antiochos IV Epiphanes (175-164 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 16.23g, 12h. Mint of Antioch, struck 166 BC. Head of Apollo facing right, wearing a laurel-wreath. Rev. ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΣ ΑΝΤΙΟΧΟΥ ΘΕΟΥ ΕΠΙΦΑΝΟΥΣ ΝΙΚΗΦΟΡΟΥ, Apollo, wearing a long peplos, standing facing right, holding a patera and a kithara (Houghton & Lorber, SC 1401; Newell, SMA 64; Houghton 110; Gulbenkian 1040). Well-struck on a broad flan, of superb style and with a light iridescent tone, about extremely fine. *Extremely rare.* \$ 12,500

ex Abramowitz Family Collection, Superior, 8 December 1993, lot 304

This exceptionally beautiful coin is extremely rare, with approximately ten examples known to have survived from antiquity. It has been suggested that the figure of Apollo on the reverse might be a depiction of the cult statue of Apollo at Daphne, by the 4th Century sculptor Bryaxis.



- 861** Kingdom of Syria, Seleukid Kings, Antiochos VIII Epiphanes (Grypos) (121/0-97/6 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 16.61g, 12h. Mint of Antioch, struck 121/0-113 BC. Diademed head facing right. Rev. ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΣ ΑΝΤΙΟΧΟΥ ΕΠΙΦΑΝΟΥΣ, Zeus Ouranios standing left, IE above A on left, N on right; all within a laurel-wreath (Houghton & Lorber, SC 2298.2e). Iridescent toning on reverse, extremely fine. \$ 300



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- 862** Kingdom of Syria, Seleukid Kings, Antiochos VIII Epiphanes (Grypos) (121/0-97/6 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 16.49g, 1h. Mint of Ake-Ptolemais, struck 115-113 BC. Diademed head facing right. Rev. ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΣ ΑΝΤΙΟΧΟΥ ΕΠΙΦΑΝΟΥΣ, Zeus Ouranios standing left, holding a star and a sceptre, a monogram on left; all within a wreath (Houghton & Lorber, SC 2336.2a). Good extremely fine. \$ 600
- 863** Kingdom of Syria, Seleukid Kings, Antiochos X Eusebes Philopator (c.94-88 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 15.37g, 12h. Mint of Antioch on the Orontes, first reign, struck 94 BC. Diademed head facing right. Rev. ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΣ ΑΝΤΟΧΟΥ ΕΥΣΕΒΟΥΣ ΦΙΛΟΠΑΤΟΡΟΣ, Zeus Nikephoros seated left, holding a sceptre, monogram above A on left, a monogram below throne; all within a wreath (Houghton & Lorber, SC 2429.1c). Light graffito in obverse field, good very fine. \$ 300

ex KPM 45, 1993, lot 98

ex Hirsch 275, 22 September 2011, lot 4030



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- 864** Kingdom of Syria, Seleukid Kings, Antiochos X Eusebes Philopator (c.94-88 BC). Silver Tetradrachm, 14.44g, 12h. Mint of Antioch on the Orontes, first reign, struck 94 BC. Diademed head facing right. Rev. [Β]ΑΣΙΛΕΩ[Σ] ΑΝΤΟΧΟΥ ΕΥΣΕΒΟΥΣ [Φ]ΙΛΟΠΑΤΟΡΟΣ, Zeus Nikephoros seated left, holding a sceptre, monogram above A on left, a monogram below throne, all within a wreath (Houghton & Lorber, SC 2429.1c). Good very fine. \$ 300
- 865** Judaea, Herod the Great (40-4 BC). Middle 4-Prutot, 5.66g. Minted in Samaria, 40 BC. Shield with decorated rim. Rev. ΗΡΩΔΟΥ ΒΑΣΙΛΕΩΣ, crested helmet, flanked by date ΛΓ (year 3) and monogram (TJC 45b; Hendin 1170; RPC 4902). Very fine. \$ 200

An Attractive Year 3 Shekel



- 866** Judaea, The Jewish War (AD 66-70). Silver Shekel, 13.81g, 12h. Year 3 = AD 68-69. Paleo-Hebrew legend ('Shekel of Israel'), ritual chalice with pearled rim, date above. Rev. Paleo-Hebrew legend ('Jerusalem the Holy'), staff with three pomegranates (AJC II, 18; Hendin 1361; TJC 202; SNG ANS 444). Well-struck and extremely fine, a very good example. \$ 6,500

purchased A H Baldwin & Sons Ltd, London



- 867** Judaea, Bar Kochba Revolt (AD 132-135). Silver Sela, 14.28g, 12h. Attributed to Year 3 = AD 134/135. Paleo-Hebrew legend ('Simon'), façade of the Temple of Jerusalem, showbread table(?) contained within, a star above. Rev. Paleo-Hebrew legend ('For the Freedom of Jerusalem'), lulav, etrog on left (AJC 51; Mildenberg 55 (O13/R41); Hendin 1411; TJC 267). Traces of overstriking, toned, good very fine. \$ 4,000



- 868** Judaea, Bar Kokhba Revolt (AD 132-135). Silver Sela, 15.19g, 1h. Attributed to Year 3 = AD 134-135. Paleo-Hebrew legend ('Simon'), façade of the Temple of Jerusalem, showbread table(?) contained within, a star above. Rev. Paleo-Hebrew legend ('For the Freedom of Jerusalem'), lulav and etrog (AJC 51; Mildenberg 79 (these dies); Hendin 1411; TJC 267). Traces of overstriking, toned, extremely fine. \$ 4,000