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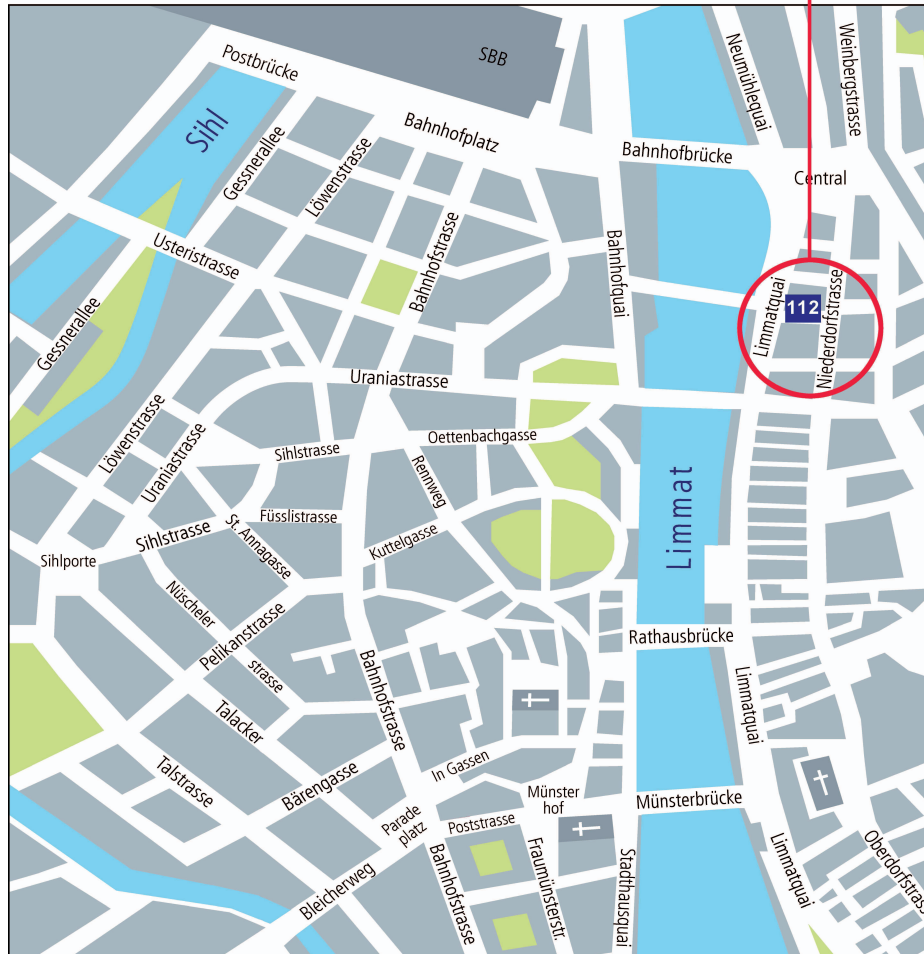
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Tuesday, 23 October 2018

Auction 49			
Morning	09.30	Lot	1000

Auction 50
Morning 10.00-12.00 Lots 1001-1233

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Afternoon 13.00-18.00 Lots 2001-3089

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Afternoon 13.30-18.00 Lots 4001-4766

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Auction 52
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Auction 53
Afternoon 13.00-18.30 Lots 6001-7110

Erhaltungsgrade:

Polierte Platte
Stempelglanz (FDC)
Vorzüglich
Sehr schön
Schön

Grades of preservation:

Proof
Uncirculated
Extremely fine
Very fine
Fine

Degrés de conservation:

Flan bruni
Fleur de coin
Superbe
Très beau
Beau

Gradi di conservazione:

Fondo specchio
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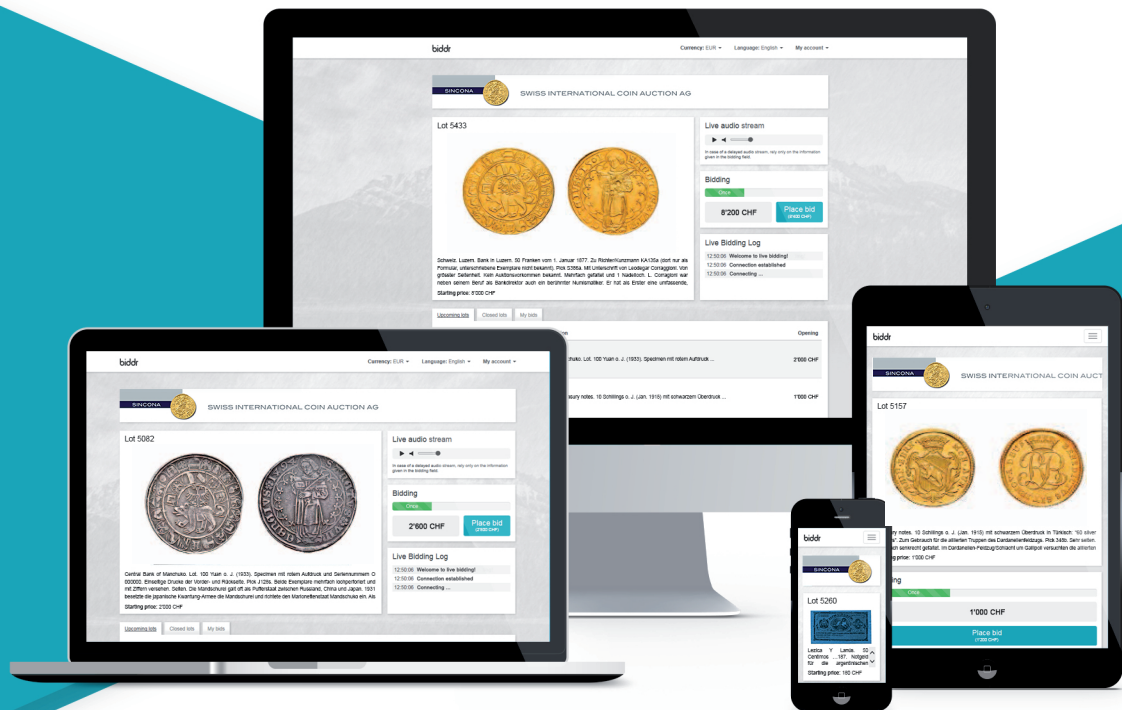
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Zurich, in August 2018



KIAN COLLECTION

PREFACE

The formation of the Kian Collection began in the late 1970's with the aim of creating the finest collection of the modern machine-struck coinage of the Qajar and Pahlavi Dynasties. In pursuit of this, many of the finest coins and medals were acquired from some of the most distinguished collections of the twentieth century, notably King Farouk of Egypt, Mortimer Hammel, J. W. Garrett (the John Hopkins University Collection, Baltimore), Abe Kossoff, Turath, J. Schulman and Dr. M. Abgarians. Provenance is an important factor in today's market, and the majority of the major pieces here are recorded with the name of the original vendor and the date acquired.

From the outset emphasis was placed on rarity and quality, while at the same time working towards making the collection as comprehensive as possible. In pursuit of perfection, many coins have been upgraded several times in order to obtain the finest known examples to exist. In terms of rarity the phrase "only known specimen" appears throughout the catalogue.

To note a few – the gold Pattern or Kran by W. Bain of Fath-Ali Shah (Lot 1); the two spectacular 25 Toman coins of Naser al-Din Shah dated 1307 and 1313 AH (Lot 349 & 350); the brilliant 10 Toman of Mozaffar al-Din Shah of 1318 AH (Lot 140); Gold Medallion 5 Toman of Mohammad Ali Shah dated 1326 AH (Lot 187); the unpublished 5000 Dinar Lion & Sun type dated 1326 AH from Mohammad Ali Shah (Lot 196); the 2000 Dinar, Coronation type of Ahmad Shah struck in gold (Lot 243).

The Kian Collection, as evidenced by this catalogue, has achieved the original aim to create the definitive collection for this series. It is no exaggeration that it is the finest offering of the Qajar and Pahlavi machine-struck coinage to be placed at auction. Being offered as a single Lot this is a unique opportunity to acquire a truly irreplaceable numismatic piece of history.

London, August 2018

Baldwin's of St James's



MONETARY STANDARDS

The milled coinage of Persia started in 1293 A.H. (1876), which coincides with Nasser al-Din's 30th Year of Reign. Before this date there were a small number of medals struck in Great Britain and Russia to commemorate some important events. In 1281 A.H. a few Patterns in gold, silver and bronze were also struck, which in most cases served as models for the future regular issues. The examples from the first two years (1293-1295 A.H.) are generally very rare, and it was only in 1296 A.H. that a greater number of coins and medals started to circulate.

Prior to 1293 AH, a Toman was the gold currency unit with the weight of 50 grains (3.24 grams), and a Kran was the silver unit weighing 78 grains (5.05 grams). The weight of some early milled issues (1293-1295 AH) are based on the old standards of the hammered coins. The standard units of the machine struck coinage of Persia from 1876 to 1941 are as follows:-

1 1293-1344 AH (1876-1925)

- gold Toman of 44 grains (2.85grams).
- silver Dinar of 0.072 grains (1000 Dinars = 4.67 grams).
- bronze & copper alloy Shahi of varying weights but equal to 50 Dinars in value.
- copper & copper alloy Dinar of varying weights but equal to 1/50 of Shahi in value

2 1304-1310 SH (1925-1931)

- gold Pahlavi of 30 grains (1.95 grams)
- silver Dinar unchanged
- bronze & copper alloy Shahi unchanged
- copper & copper alloy Dinar unchanged

3 1310-1320 SH (1931-1941)

- gold Pahlavi of 125 grains (8.10 grams)
- silver Riyal of 78 grains (5.05 grams)
- bronze & copper alloy Shahi of varying weights but equal to 5 Dinars in value
- copper & copper alloy Dinar of varying weights but equal to 1/5 Shahi in value.



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QAJAR

Fath-Ali Shah

1212-1250 AH (1797-1834 AD)





Fath-Ali Shah was the second King of the Qajar Dynasty who reigned from June 17, 1797 to October 23, 1834. He was born in Damghan on September 25, 1772 and died in Esfahan on October 23, 1834. He was son of Hossein-Gholi Khan, brother of Agha-Mohamad Khan, the first King of the Qajars.

After his coronation in 1797, he changed his name from Baba Khan to Fath-Ali, the name that his great-grandfather bore. There are some rare hammered coins struck in Tehran and Esfahan with his initial name of Baba Khan.

The reign of Fath-Ali Shah is marked by the ceding of Persia's North-Western territories in the Caucasus to Russia, including Georgia, Daghestan, Azarbaijan and Armenia, which was later confirmed by conclusion of the Golestan and Turkamanchai treaties in 1814 and 1828.

During his reign there was a resurgence of Persian art and painting. The portraiture and large-scale oil paintings reached a height previously unknown under any other Persian dynasty. The Kiani crown (Royal Crown), created by his uncle, Agha -Mohammad Khan was modified and large numbers of pearls and gems were added.

After the death of his son, Crown Prince Abbas Mirza on October 25, 1833, Fath-Ali Shah named his grandson Mohammad Mirza as his successor. Fath-Ali Shah died a year later in 1834 and was buried in the Shrine of Fatemeh Maasumeh in Qom.



Qajar

FATH-ALI SHAH (1212-1250 AH/1797-1834 AD)



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- 1 A Pattern Kran or Medal in gold by W. Bain, c. 1828 AD, reeded edge, with coat of arms on *obv.* and Persian script on *rev.*, struck in Great Britain, 4.65g. There are two known specimens in gold, this the only example in private hands.

RRRR, *proof, brilliant uncirculated*

In 1808 the British envoy Sir Harford Jones was given a mission by King George III to negotiate a treaty of alliance between Persia and Great Britain. A preliminary agreement was concluded in March 1809 and the definitive treaty was eventually signed on 25 November, 1814. By the terms of this important document, which was specially declared to be defensive, all alliances between Persia and European nations hostile to Great Britain were made null and void, and all European armies were to be prevented from entering Persia, if hostile to Great Britain. In 1828 the British Minister, Sir John Macdonald renegotiated and modified some terms of this treaty, and it is reported that on this occasion these medals in gold and silver were offered to the dignitaries of the court.

Originally from a collection started and assembled in the early 1940s by an English industrialist from Leeds, Baldwin's Dubai, Auction 2, 29 March, 2000, Lot 548



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- 2 A Pattern Kran or Medal in silver by W. Bain, c. 1828 AD, reeded edge, with coat of arms on *obv.* and Persian script on *rev.*, struck in Great Britain, 6.76g.

RR, *good extremely fine*

Sotheby's, London, 1983

- 3 A Pattern Kran or Medal in silver by W. Bain, c. 1828 AD, reeded edge, with coat of arms on *obv.* and Persian script on *rev.*, struck in Great Britain, of slightly heavier weight than the one above, 6.88g.

RR, *specimen strike, uncirculated*

Sotheby's, London, 1983



Naser al-Din Shah

1264-1313 AH (1848-1896 AD)





Naser al-Din Shah, son of Mohammad Shah, was King of Persia from September 5, 1848 to May 1, 1896 when he was assassinated. His reign is the third longest in Persian history after Shahpour II of the Sasanian Dynasty and Tahmasb I of the Safavids.

He was born in Tabriz on July 16, 1831. Naser al-Din Shah was in Tabriz when he heard of his father's death in 1848 and ascended to power with the help of Amir Kabir who later became his Prime Minister.

Naser al-Din Shah was the first modern Persian monarch to visit Europe, to which he travelled on three occasions. The first visit took place in 1873, the second in 1878 and the final journey was in 1889. During his first visit to Great Britain in 1873, Queen Victoria appointed him a Knight of the Order of the Garter, the highest English order of chivalry.

His reforms included the introduction of a new tax system, building of some military factories, the creation of the Cossack Brigade and the opening of Dar al-Fonoun, an important school of higher education. He also established the Imperial Bank of Persia in 1889 and made improvements to the postal service. Naser al-Din Shah was interested in painting and photography as well as history and geography and had many books on these topics in his library.

Whilst visiting and praying at the Shrine of Abdol-Azim, he was assassinated by Mirza Reza Kermani, a follower of Jamal al-Din Afghani. The assassination happened just before the planned festivities for the 50th Year of Reign. He was later buried in the same shrine situated in Ray near Tehran.



NASER AL-DIN SHAH 1264-1313 AH (1848-1896 AD)

GOLD COINS



4 1/5 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1295 AH, 0.63g.
Spink & Son, London, 2008

RR, good extremely fine

5 1/5 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1295 AH, 0.65g.
S. Cordry, San Diego, 1982

RRR, specimen strike, good extremely fine



6 1/5 Toman, Bust type, variant crown, 1297 AH, 0.54g.
Ali Karimi Collection, London, 1984

RRRR, hairlines, about extremely fine

7 Pattern 1/5 Toman, Bust type, 1297 AH, 1.14g.
Gorny, Munich, 1984

RRRR, hairlines, brilliant prooflike, uncirculated, unpublished in gold



8 Pattern 1/2 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1311 AH, 1.72g.

RRRR, soft strike, extremely fine, the only known specimen

Half Tomans of the Lion & Sun type were not struck after 1298 AH. An extremely rare half Toman of this type struck in 1309 AH is reported.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1986



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- 9 Pattern 1/2 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1281 AH, 2.00g.

RRRR, brilliant uncirculated

A series of rare Patterns in gold, silver and bronze were issued in 1281 AH, but the actual machine-struck coins and medals during the reign of Naser al-Din Shah started in 1293 AH.
S. Cordy, San Diego, 1983



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- 10 1/2 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1294 AH, 1.59g.

RRR, brilliant uncirculated, earliest date for the 1/2 Toman and extremely rare

Turath Collection, Spink & Son, London October 13, 1999, Lot 367



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- 11 1/2 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1296 AH, 1.43g.

RR, proof-like, brilliant uncirculated

Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1985



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12 ½ Toman, Bust type, no date, 1.51g.

R, brilliant uncirculated

13 ½ Toman, Bust type, no date, Saheb al-Zaman, 1.41g.
Spink & Son, London, 1982

RRR, about extremely fine



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14 ½ Toman, Bust type, 1303 AH, 1.42g.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1987

RRR, brilliant uncirculated



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15 ½ Toman, Bust type, 1310 AH, 1.40g.

R, extremely fine



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16 ½ Toman, Bust type, no date, Special Crown, 1.42g.
Sotheby's London 1982

RRR, extremely fine, excessively rare



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17 1/2 Toman, no date, Zolgharnein, 1.71g.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1987

RRR, extremely fine



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18 Pattern 1/2 Toman, Bust type, 1297 AH, 1.44g.
Gorny, Munich 1984

RRRR, brilliant uncirculated, this is the only example recorded



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19 1/2 Toman, Bust type, 1297 AH, 1.41g.

R, extremely fine



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20 Pattern 1 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1281 AH, 4.00g.
Claude Burgan, Paris 2007

RRRR, proof-like, brilliant uncirculated, only two examples are recorded



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21 1 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1293 AH, Ghazi, 3.44g.
1293 AH is the year that machine-struck coins of Naser al-Din Shah started.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1983

RRR, brilliant uncirculated, extremely rare



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22 1 Toman, Proof. Lion & Sun type, 1296 AH, 2.87g.
Spink & Son, London, 1991

RR, proof, brilliant uncirculated



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23 1 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1294 AH, 3.24g.
Spink & Son, London, 1991

RRR, proof-like, brilliant uncirculated



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24 1 Toman, Bust type, 1298 AH, 2.83g.
Credit Suisse, Zurich, 1983

RRR, brilliant uncirculated, and a very rare date



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25 Pattern 1 Toman, Bust type, 1297 AH, 2.89g.
Gorny, Munich 1984

RRRR, brilliant uncirculated, this is the only known pattern in gold of this type



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26 1 Toman, Bust type, no date, 3.20g.
S. Cordy, San Diego, 1983

RRR, proof, brilliant uncirculated



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27 1 Toman, Bust type, 1299 AH, 2.82g.

extremely fine



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28 1 Toman, Bust type, 1303 AH, 2.82g.

Mortimer Hammel Collection, Stacks, New York, 1982

RR, hairlines, proof-like, brilliant uncirculated, very rare date for this issue



29



29 1 Toman, Bust type, 1311 AH, Shaheb-Gharan, 2.86g.

R, good extremely fine



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30 1 Toman, Bust type, no date, 2.79g, Special Crown.

This Lot and the next are not regular issues, and very few examples are known.
Spink & Son, London 1990

RRR, softly struck, good extremely fine



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31 1 Toman, Bust type, no date, Special Crown, 2.88g.
Spink & Son, London 1990

RRR, softly struck, extremely fine



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32 Pattern 2 Toman, Bust type, 1281 AH, 8.01g.
Turath Collection, Spink & Son, London October 13, 1999, Lot 360

RRRR, extremely fine, there are only two known examples of this pattern



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33 2 Toman, Bust type, 1299 AH, 5.74g.

34 2 Toman, Bust type, 1296 AH, 5.72g.

35 2 Toman, Bust type, 1297 AH, 5.75g.

lustrous, extremely fine
R, *lustrous, extremely fine*
lustrous, extremely fine



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36 2 Toman, Bust type, 1298 AH, 5.73g.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1993



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RR, brilliant, about uncirculated, a very rare date for this issue



37



37 2 Toman, Bust type, 1297 AH, 5.74g.

R, brilliant, uncirculated



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38 Pattern 2 Toman, Bust type, no legend, no date, 5.56g.
Spink & Son, London 1989



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RRRR, lustrous, uncirculated, only two known examples



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39 2 Toman, Bust type, 1295 AH, Mous al-Reza, 5.66g.
Leeds Collection, Baldwin's Dubai, March 29, 2000, Lot 559



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RRR, about uncirculated, less than five known examples



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40 Pattern 2 Toman, Bust special design, 1297 AH, 5.75g.

Gorny, Munich 1984

RRRR, brilliant uncirculated, the only known example with 8 pointed stars on the obverse



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41 2 Toman, Bust type, for the occasion of the Shah's return from Europe, 1307 AH, 5.71g.

Leeds Collection, Baldwin's Dubai, March 29, 2000, Lot 566

RR, brilliant uncirculated



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42 Medallionic 5 Toman, Lion & Sun type. Reward for Valour, 1300 AH, 14.18g.

Abe Kossof Collection, Bowers & Merena, New York 1985

RR, brilliant uncirculated



43 Medallion 5 Toman, Bust type, Zolgharnein, 1313 AH, 14.26g.
RRRR, lustrous, about uncirculated, the only known Zolgharnein type five Toman of Naser al-Din Shah
 Leeds Collection, Baldwin's Dubai, March 29, 2000, Lot 571.



44 10 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1297 AH, 28.53g.
RRR, extremely fine, the first 10 Toman issue of Naser al-Din Shah and extremely rare
 Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1980



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45 10 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1311 AH, 28.53g.

RRRR, good extremely fine, an excessively rare date for this coin, only three known examples

Sotheby's, London, 1985



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46 Medallion 10 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1293 AH, 34.61g.

RRR, brilliant virtually uncirculated

This 10 Toman marks the 100th year of the Qajar Dynasty. It is also the year that machine-struck coins of Naser al-Din Shah started.
Mortimer Hammel Collection, Stacks, New York, 1982



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47 10 Toman, Bust type, 1297 AH, 28.67g.

RRRR, proof-like, brilliant uncirculated, exceptionally rare in this condition

Turath Collection, Spink & Son, London October 13, 1999, Lot 370



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48 Medallion 10 Toman, Bust type, Zolgharnein, 1313 AH, 28.14g.

RR, extremely fine

E. Bourgey, Paris, 1981



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- 49 Medallion 10 Toman, Bust type, 1313 AH, 28.26g.

RRRR, lustrous, uncirculated

This issue was struck to commemorate the 50th year of reign, but was recalled after the assassination of Naser al-Din Shah. It is of the highest rarity.

Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1983



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51



- 50 Medallion 10 Toman, Lion & Sun type, Reward for Valour, 1300 AH, 28.91g.

RRRR, mounted, brilliant uncirculated

This type is only known for medallion 5 Toman, and the 10 Toman of this issue is exceptionally rare.
Mansour Afshar Collection, Geneva 2017

- 51 Medallion 10 Toman, Reward for Valour, 1300 AH, 28.46g.

RRRR, ex-mount, good very fine

This type, like the previous Lot, is only known in Medallion 5 Toman denomination, and the 10 Toman issue is excessively rare.
S. Alghari, Pars Coins, San Jose, 1991



52 10 Toman, Bust type, 1311 AH, 28.73g. **RRRR**, brilliant uncirculated, less than five known and the finest recorded
 The obverse bust on this coin is the same as the 1 Toman Saheb-Gharan issue of 1311 AH.
 Leeds Collection, Baldwin's Dubai, March 29, 2000, Lot 567

SILVER & OTHER METAL COINS
 (all coins listed below in silver unless stated)



53 Pattern 250 Dinar, 1281 AH. **RRR**, extremely fine
 Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1995
 54 Pattern 250 Dinar in bronze, 1281 AH. **RRR**, original lustre, uncirculated
 Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1995



55 250 Dinar, 1298 AH. **R**, brilliant uncirculated
 56 250 Dinar, xxx6 AH. **RR**, about uncirculated
 Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1995



57



57 500 Dinar, 1293 AH.
George Moussestian, Munich 1998



58



58 Medallion 500 Dinar. Return from Europe, 1307 AH.
Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1994



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RRR, extremely fine

59 500 Dinar, 1306 AH.

R, extremely fine



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60 500 Dinar, 1297 AH.



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R, good extremely fine



62



61 Shahi, 1297 AH.
62 Pattern 1000 Dinar in bronze, 1281 AH.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1983



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R, extremely fine



63



RR, lustrous, proof-like uncirculated

63 Bronze 50 Dinar, 1294 AH.
Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California

RR, good extremely fine



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64 Pattern 25 Dinar in bronze, 1281 AH.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1983



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RR, good extremely fine



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65 Bronze 50 Dinar, 1295 AH.
E. Bourgey, Paris, 1993

RR, traces of original lustre, about uncirculated



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66 Bronze 25 Dinar, 1294 AH.
Spink & Son, London 1989

RR, traces of original lustre, uncirculated



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67 Pattern 50 Dinar in bronze, 1281 AH.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1983

RR, traces of original lustre, about uncirculated



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68 Bronze 200 Dinar, 1301 AH.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1985

RR, traces of original lustre, good extremely fine

69 Bronze 50 Dinar, 1294 AH.
Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1992

RR, traces of original lustre, about uncirculated



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70 Pattern 1000 Dinar in white metal, 1281 AH.
Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1993

RR, brilliant uncirculated



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71 Pattern 1000 Dinar, 1281 AH.
Jean Elsen, Amsterdam, 1995, Ex Hess, February 1921

RRR, brilliant, good extremely fine



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72 Pattern 1000 Dinar on double thick flan, 1281 AH.
Jean Elsen, Amsterdam, 1995, Ex Hess, February 1921

RRR, brilliant good extremely fine



73



74



73 1000 Dinar, Saheb-Gharan, 1298 AH.

R, about uncirculated

74 1000 Dinar, 1294 AH.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1983

RRR, good extremely fine



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75 1000 Dinar, 1295 AH.
William Barrett, Montreal, 1982

RR, brilliant good extremely fine



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76 Pattern 2000 Dinar, 1281 AH.
Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1991

RRR, beautifully toned, brilliant uncirculated



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77 Pattern 2000 Dinar in bronze, 1281 AH.
E. Bourgey, Paris, 1993

RR, about uncirculated



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78 2000 Dinar, 1297 AH.
A. de Clermont, London 2007

RRR, brilliant about uncirculated



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79 2000 Dinar, Zolgharnein, 1313 AH.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1985

RRR, good extremely fine



80 Pattern 5000 Dinar, plain edge, 1297 AH.
Spink & Son, London 1985

RRR, proof, brilliant uncirculated



81 Pattern 200 Dinar in nickel, 1290 AH, 5.24g.
The design for this pattern was never used.
Spink & Son, London 1993

RRRR, uncirculated



82 1 Toman in bronze, Bust type, uniface trial.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1983

RRR, uncirculated



83



84



83 Award Medal, Glory & Pride, 1273 AH.
Glendining, London 1987

RRR, good extremely fine

84 Award Medal, Glory & Pride, 1273 AH.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1989

RRR, uncirculated



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85 Award Medal, Bravery, no date.

RR, brilliant uncirculated

86 Commemorative Medal in bronze, Visit to Paris Mint, July 15, 1873.
Victor Gadoury, Monaco, 1983

RRR, uncirculated



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87 Commemorative Medal, Visit to Paris Mint, July 15, 1873.
Swiss Bank Corporation, Zurich, 1995

RRR good extremely fine



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- 88 Commemorative Medal in bronze, 100th Year of Qajar Dynasty, 1293 AH. **RR**, traces of original lustre, uncirculated
 Glendining, London 1987
- 89 Commemorative Medal, 100th Year of Qajar Dynasty, 1293 AH. **RRR**, proof-like, good extremely fine
 Spink & Son, London 1981



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- 90 Commemorative Medal, Opening of the Tehran Mint, 1294 AH, 16.06g. **RR**, brilliant uncirculated
 Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1982
- 91 Award Medal in bronze, Nasrey, 1307 AH. **RRR**, extremely fine
 Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1984



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- 92 Award Medal in bronze, Military School, 1297 AH. **RRR**, extremely fine
 Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1984



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93 Award Medal, Military School, 1297 AH. Sotheby's, London 1982

RRR, extremely fine



94

94 Commemorative Medal, Visit to the Arsenal by the Shah, no date. Sotheby's, London 1983

RR, extremely fine



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95 Award Medal in bronze, Reward for Valour, 1298 AH.

R, good extremely fine



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96 Award Medal, Reward for Valour, 1300 AH.

R, toned, lustrous about uncirculated

97 Award Medal, Reward for Valour, 1311 AH.
Sotheby's, London, 1982

RR, brilliant uncirculated



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98 Award Medal, Civil, 1297 AH.
Mansour Afshar Collection, Geneva, 1995

RR, extremely fine

99 Commemorative Medal, thinner type, Zolgharnein, 1313 AH.
Ali Karimi Collection, London, 2003

RRR, extremely fine, excessively rare

100 Commemorative Medal, Zolgharnein, 1313 AH.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1983

R, extremely fine



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101 Medallion 10 Toman, struck in silver, 50th Year of Reign, 1313 AH.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1983

RRR, good extremely fine



102



102 Commemorative Medal in bronze, milled edge, Visit to Lyon Mint by the Shah, 1879.
J-Numis, Paris 2014

RRR, extremely fine



103



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103

103 Commemorative Medal, Visit of the Shah to Berlin, June 1889.
Gorny, Munich, 1982

RR brilliant uncirculated



104

104 Commemorative Medal in bronze, Visit of the Shah to Berlin, June 1889.
Gallery de Monnaie, Geneva, 1982

RRR, *uncirculated*



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105 Commemorative Medal, milled edge, Visit to Berlin, June 1889.
Pirouzan Collection, Karlsruhe 1986

RRR, *good extremely fine*



106



106 Commemorative Medal, Visit to Berlin, variant *obv*, June 1889.
Sotheby's, London, 1983

RR, *proof-like, brilliant uncirculated*



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108



- 107 Pattern medal, milled edge, Visit to Russia, 1889, 11.79g. **RRRR**, *proof, brilliant uncirculated, the only known specimen*
The dies for this medal were made in Germany using the same obverse die of the issue for the visit of the Shah to Berlin in 1889 (1307 AH). After visiting Berlin, he was scheduled to go to Russia for his last visit before returning to Tehran. Because of some discrepancies in the planning, the meeting with Alexander III of Russia was cancelled, and this medal was never issued.
Sincona, Zurich, October 24, 2011, Lot 798

- 108 Commemorative Medal in brass, Visit of the Shah to England, June 18, 1873. **R**, *extremely fine*



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110



- 109 Commemorative Medal in silver plated brass, Visit of the Shah to England, June 18, 1873. **R**, *good extremely fine*
- 110 Commemorative Medal in bronze, Visit of the Shah to Birmingham 1889. **RR**, *brilliant uncirculated*
Khosrow Mahboubian, London, 2004



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- 111 Commemorative Medal in bronze, Visit of the Shah to England, June, 1873. **R**, *about uncirculated*
- 112 Commemorative Medal in bronze, Visit of the Shah to France, July 6, 1873. **R**, *with suspension loop, brilliant good extremely fine*
- 113 Commemorative Medal in bronze, Visit of the Shah to Birmingham 1889. **RR**, *extremely fine*
Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1997



Mozaffar al-Din Shah

1314-1324 AH (1896-1907 AH)





Muzaffar al-Din Shah was born in Tehran on March 23, 1853 and spent 35 years as the Crown Prince and governor of the Province of Azarbaijan before his accession to power on May 1, 1896 after the assassination of his father Naser al-Din Shah. At the beginning of his reign, Persia faced a financial crisis, with annual government spending far in excess of revenues, due to the policies of his father.

He created the Majles (National Consultative Assembly) in October 1906, by which the monarch's power was curtailed, but the actual Constitutional Revolution took place after his death during the reign of his successor, Mohammad-Ali Shah. Other reforms during his reign included the improvement of the Central Treasury and better management of government expenditures.

Like his father, he visited Europe three times with journeys to England, France, Belgium, Italy and Russia. On the occasion of his first visit in 1900, the English court was in mourning, and consequently the Shah was not invited. He visited England two years later during his second tour to Europe in 1902.

Forty days after the signing of the Constitution in the Assembly, Muzaffar al-Din Shah died on January 3, 1907 and was buried in the Shrine of Fatemeh Maasumeh in Qom.



MOZAFFAR AL-DIN SHAH 1313-1324 AH (1896-1907 AD)

GOLD COINS



- 114 $\frac{1}{5}$ Toman, Lion & Sun type, a mule with *rev.* die of Naser al-Din Shah $\frac{1}{5}$ Toman 1295 AH, no date (for Mozaffar al-Din), 0.65g. **RR**, extremely fine
- 115 $\frac{1}{5}$ Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1319 AH, 0.55g. **RR**, good extremely fine
Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1995



- 116 $\frac{1}{5}$ Toman, Bust type, 1322 AH, 0.53g. **RR**, extremely fine
Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1985
- 117 $\frac{1}{5}$ Toman, Bust type, 1323 AH, 0.93g. **RR**, uncirculated
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1983



- 118 Pattern $\frac{1}{5}$ Toman, Bust type on heavy flan, no date, 1.44g. **RRR**, extremely fine
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1983
- 119 Pattern $\frac{1}{5}$ Toman, Bust type, on double thick flan 2.82g. **RRRR**, about uncirculated
Ex. J. Schulman Private Sale 1921, Sotheby's, London 1983



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122



120 ½ Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1314 AH, 1.45g.

R, extremely fine121 ½ Toman, Saheb al-Zaman, no date, 1.31g.
Spink & Son, London 1986**RRR**, extremely fine

122 ½ Toman, Bust type, 1324 AH, 1.50g.

R, extremely fine

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123 ½ Toman, Bust type, 1323 AH, 1.36g.

R brilliant about uncirculated

124



125

124 ½ Toman, Bust type, Saheb al-Zaman, 1316 AH, 1.39g.
Spink & Son, London 1986**RRR**, about uncirculated

125 ½ Toman, Bust type, 1316 AH, 1.41g.

R, uncirculated

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126 Pattern ½ Toman, Bust type to left, double weight, no date, 2.94g. **RRRR**, lustrous uncirculated, the only known specimen
All bust type ½ Toman of Mozaffar al-Din Shah are facing to the right. This is the only known example with the bust facing left – never recorded.Sincona, Zurich, July 1st, 2011, Lot 2911



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127 500 Dinar struck in gold, 1319 AH, 2.55g.
Off-metal strikes in gold are only known for the 1000 and 2000 Dinar.
Morton & Eden, London, April 22, 2013, Lot 134

RRRR, about uncirculated, the only known specimen



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128 1 Toman, Bust type, 1316 AH, 2.89g.
129 1 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1314 AH, 2.86g.
130 1 Toman, Bust type, 1318 AH, 2.82g.

R, brilliant uncirculated
R, lustrous uncirculated
R, about uncirculated



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131 1 Toman, Bust type, Moloud, 1322 AH, 2.84g.
The Moloud type gold coins of are only known for the 2 Toman.
Dr. Mesrob Abgarians Collection, Glendale, California 1987

brilliant uncirculated, the only known specimen



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- 132 2 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1311 AH, a mule struck with the reverse die of the Naser al-Din one Toman 1311 AH, 2.84g. **RRRR**, extremely fine
 This reverse die is extremely rare, even for the original issue of Naser al-Din, making this mule excessively rare.
 Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1981



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- 133 2 Toman, Bust type, milled edge, 1322 AH, Moloud, 5.72g. **RRR**, brilliant about uncirculated
 Spink & Son, London 1989



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- 134 2 Toman, Bust type, 1322 AH, Moloud without inscription on *obv*, 5.79g. **RRR**, lustrous uncirculated
 Spink & Son, London 1989



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135 Pattern 1 Toman, Bust type, 1316 AH, 2.49g.

RRRR, proof, brilliant uncirculated the only one known in gold

These patterns of the 1 Toman are only recorded in bronze or gilt bronze.
Dr. Mesrob Abgarians Collection, Glendale, California 1987



136



136 5 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1318 AH, 14.33g.

RRRR, brilliant uncirculated, the only known specimen

The Lion & Sun type 5 Toman are medallionic, however this is an unpublished regular 5 Toman issue with the reverse of the 10 Toman bust type.
Bank Leu, Zurich, 1993



137



137 Medallionic 5 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1317 AH, 14.51g.

RR, lustrous about uncirculated

Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1981



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138 5 Toman, Bust type, 1314 AH, 13.97g.

This regular issue of the Bust type 5 Toman is one of only two known specimens, and the superior example. Leeds Collection, Baldwin's Dubai, March 29, 2000, Lot 575

RRRR, *uncirculated*



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139 10 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1318 AH, 28.64g.

The reverse of this 10 Toman of Mozaffar al-Din Shah is from an altered reverse die of Naser al-Din Shah. Turath Collection, Spink & Son, London October 13, 1999, Lot 393

RRRR, *lustrous about uncirculated, only two known*



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140 10 Toman, Bust type, 1318 AH, 27.26g.
Mortimer Hammel Collection, Stacks, New York, 1982

RRR, brilliant uncirculated



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141



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141 Medallion 10 Toman, Visit to Brussels, 1318 AH, 30.69g.
A small number of these medals were given to dignitaries travelling with the Shah.
Turath Collection, Spink & Son, London October 13, 1999, Lot 399

RRRR, extremely fine



142

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142

142 Commemorative Gold Medal by A. Patey, 1318 AH, 27.81g.

RRRR, *matte finish, uncirculated*

This gold medal along with its silver issue, is by the famous French sculptor medallist and coin engraver Henri-August Patey. It was presented to Mozaffar al-Din Shah and the high-ranking officials travelling with him during his visit to Paris that year. This is the only known pair in the original box of issue.

St. James's Auctions, October 10, 2011, Lot 1505

SILVER & OTHER METAL COINS

(all coins listed below in silver unless stated)



143

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144

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143 250 Dinar, 1319 AH.

R, *extremely fine*

144 250 Dinar, Bust type, 1319 AH.

RRRR, *about uncirculated, of the highest rarity*

S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1983



145



146



147

145 Shahi, Saheb-al-Zaman, no date.
Dr. Mesrob Abgarians Collection, Glendale, California 1987

RR, good extremely fine

146 Shahi, 1324 AH.
Dr. Mesrob Abgarians Collection, Glendale, California 1987

RR, good extremely fine

147 500 Dinar, Bust type, 1323 AH.

R, uncirculated



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148



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148 Pattern 500 Dinar, plain edge, 1319 AH.
Spink & Son, London 1988

RRR, proof, brilliant uncirculated



149



150



151



152



149 Copper-nickel 50 Dinar, 1319 AH.

uncirculated

150 Copper-nickel 50 Dinar, 1318 AH.

uncirculated

151 Copper-nickel 100 Dinar, 1319 AH.

uncirculated

152 Copper-nickel 100 Dinar, 1318 AH.

lustrous uncirculated



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153



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153 100 Dinar in silver, 1318 AH, 4.81g.
The off-metal 100 Dinar in silver had not seen before, and this is the only recorded example.
Sotheby's, London, 1984

RRRR, brilliant uncirculated, only example known



154



154 1000 Dinar, reeded edge 1319 AH.

RRR, about uncirculated



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155



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155 Pattern 1000 Dinar, plain edge, 1319 AH.
Spink & Son, London 1988

RRR, uncirculated



156



156 2 Gharan, 1322 AH.

R, good extremely fine

157 2000 Dinar, Bust type, 1323 AH.



157



R, about uncirculated



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158



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158 Pattern 2000 Dinar, plain edge, 1319 AH.
Spink & Son, London, 1988

RRR, brilliant uncirculated



159



159 5000 Dinar, Lion & Sun type, 1320 AH.
Spink & Son, London, 1981

RR, proof, brilliant uncirculated



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160



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160 Pattern 5000 Dinar, plain edge, 1319 AH.

RRR, brilliant uncirculated



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161



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161 5000 Dinar, 1322 AH, Moloud. J. Dilmaghani, Los Angeles, 1995

RRR, extremely fine



162



163



164



162 Silver gilt Award Medal, Reward for Valour, 1318 AH.

R, mounted, about uncirculated

163 Award Medal in bronze, Reward for Valour, 1317 AH. Format Coins, Birmingham, 1994

RR, traces of original lustre, uncirculated

164 Award Medal. Reward for Valour, 1317 AH. Spink & Son, London, 1988

RR, uncirculated



165



166



167



165 Award Medal, Reward for Valour, 1318 AH.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1992

RR, brilliant uncirculated

166 Award Medal in bronze, uniface *obv.* strike. Reward for Valour, 1315 AH.
Format Coins, Birmingham, 1995

RRR, uncirculated

167 Commemorative Medal in bronze, Visit to Brussels, 1318 AH.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California

RR, bronzed proof, uncirculated



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168



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168 Commemorative Medal, Visit to Brussels, 1318 AH.

RRR, toned, uncirculated



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169



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169 10 Toman, struck in silver, 1314 AH.
This off-metal strike is extremely rare.
A Saeedi, London 1991

RRR, extremely fine, extremely rare



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170



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170 Commemorative Silver Medal by A Patey, 1318 AH.
This is the silver issue of Lot 142 in the original box, the two medals are extremely rare, and is the only known set in the original box of issue.
St. James's Auctions, October 30, 2011

RRRR, matte finish, uncirculated



171



172

171 Shahi, no date, Saheb-al-Zaman.
Spink & Son, London March 25, 2010

RR, good extremely fine

172 Copper-gilt Pattern 1/2 Toman, Bust type, 1316 AH.
Sotheby's, London, 1982

RR, lustrous uncirculated



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173



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173 Pattern 1 Toman in bronze, Bust type, 1316 AH.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1982

RRR, original lustre, uncirculated



174



174 Uniface Pattern 1 Toman in white metal, Bust type, 1316 AH.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1982

RRR, extremely fine



175



176



177

175 Pattern 1000 Dinar in bronze, 1319 AH.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1982

RRR, bronzed proof, uncirculated

176 Pattern 1 Toman in bronze, *rev.* uniface trial, no date.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1982

RRR, uncirculated

177 Pattern 1 Toman in bronze, *obv.* uniface trial, no date.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1982

RRR, uncirculated



Mohammad-Ali Shah

1324-1327 AH (1907-1909 AD)





Mohammad-Ali Shah was born in Amol on June 21, 1872 and reigned from January 3, 1907 to July 16, 1909.

He was opposed to the Constitution which was ratified during the reign of his father Mozaffar al-Din Shah in late 1906. Mohammad-Ali Shah dissolved the Assembly in 1907 and declared that the Constitution was contrary to the Islamic tradition. He ordered the bombardment of the Parliament building, which was carried out by the Cossack Brigade, shortly after the dissolution of the Assembly.

In July 1909 the pro-constitution forces from all provinces marched to Tehran and deposed the King and re-established the Constitution. On July 16, 1909 the Assembly voted to enthrone Mohammad-Ali's son, Ahmad Shah. Mohammad-Ali Shah abdicated following the Constitutional Revolution and fled to Odessa with the help of some Russian diplomats stationed in Tehran. He attempted to regain power in 1911 and landed in Astarabad in the North-Eastern province of Golestan, but his forces were defeated, and he went back to Russia for a few months before moving to Constantinople in Turkey. He finally settled in San Remo, Italy where he died on April 5, 1925 and was buried in the Shrine of Iman Hossein, in Karbala, Iraq.



MOHAMMAD-ALI SHAH, 1324-1327 AH (1907-1909 AD)

GOLD COINS



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- 178 1/5 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1324 AH, 0.55g.

There are less than five examples of the first issue of the 1/5 Toman Lion & Sun Type for this date.
Spink & Son, London March 25, 2010

RRRR, *about uncirculated*

179



180



- 179 1/2 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1324 AH, 1.47g.

S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1982

RR, *extremely fine*

- 180 1/2 Toman, Bust type, 1326 AH, 1.38g.

Ali Mehran Collection, London, 1981

RR, *about uncirculated*

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181



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- 181 Pattern 1/2 Toman, Bust type, 1327 AH, double weight 2.84g.

The reverse of this 1/2 Toman bust type is unrecorded.
Munz Zentrum, Frankfurt, 1983

brilliant about uncirculated, the only known specimen

182



183



- 182 1 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1324 AH, 2.91g.

S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1983

RR, *about uncirculated*

- 183 1 Toman, Bust type, 1327 AH, 2.82g.

Mortimer Hammel Collection, Stacks Bowers, New York, 1982

RRR, *about uncirculated*



184 Pattern 2 Ashrafi, 1326 AH, 5.72g.

RRRR, proof, brilliant uncirculated

All Patterns of Mohammad Ali's 2 Ashrafi are in bronze or gilt bronze. This is the only known example of this type in gold.
Dr. Mesrob Abgarians Collection, Glendale, California 1987



185 Medallion 5 Toman, Reward for Valour, 1325 AH, 14.40g.

RRRR, good extremely fine, only three known

Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1985.



186 Medallion 5 Toman, small flan, Reward for Valour, 1326 AH, 14.32g.
Mortimer Hammel Collection, Stacks Bower, New York, 1982

RRR, about uncirculated



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187



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187 Medallion 5 Toman, Visit to the Mint, 1326 AH, 13.74g.
William Barrett, Montreal, 1982

RRRR, brilliant, uncirculated, only four examples known

SILVER & OTHER METAL COINS

(all coins listed below in silver unless stated)



188



189



188 250 Dinar, Lion & Sun type, 1326 AH.
Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1994

RR, good extremely fine

189 500 Dinar, Bust type, 1326 AH.
Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1995

RR, good extremely fine



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190



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190 500 Dinar, Bust type, 1327 AH.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1982

RR, lustrous uncirculated



191



192



191 500 Dinar, Bust type, 1326 AH, date added on *rev.*
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt

RR, extremely fine

192 Pattern 500 Dinar, Bust type, variant crown on reverse, plain edge, 1326 AH.
Dr. Mesrob Abgarians Collection, Glendale, California 1988

RRR, proof, brilliant uncirculated



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193



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193 Pattern 1000 Dinar, Bust type, plain edge, 1326 AH.
Spink & Son, London 1988

RRR, proof, brilliant uncirculated



194



194 2000 Dinar, Bust type, 1326 AH.
Dr. Mesrob Abgarians Collection, Glendale, California 1988

RR, good very fine for issue



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195



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195 Pattern 2000 Dinar, Bust type, plain edge, 1326 AH.

RRR, proof, brilliant, uncirculated



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196



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196 5000 Dinar, Lion & Sun type, 1326 AH, 23.14g
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1982

RRRR, lustrous uncirculated, the only known specimen, unpublished



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197



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197 Pattern 5000 Dinar, Bust type, plain edge, 1326 AH.
Spink & Son, London 1988

RRR, proof, brilliant uncirculated



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198



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198 Proof 5000 Dinar, Bust type, reeded edge, 1326 AH.
J. Dilmaghani, Los Angeles 1995

RRR, brilliant uncirculated



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199



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199 Pattern 5000 Dinar, Bust type, plain edge, 1327 AH.
Glendining, London 1993

RRR, good extremely fine, the only known example of this type



200



200 Copper-nickel 100 Dinar, 1321 AH.



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201 Copper-nickel 50 Dinar, 1326 AH.



202



202 Copper-nickel 50 Dinar, 1321 AH.

*uncirculated**uncirculated**uncirculated*

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203



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203 Copper gilt Pattern 1/5 Toman, Bust type, 1326 AH.

R, brilliant uncirculated

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204 Copper gilt Pattern 1/5 Toman, Bust type, 1326 AH, mule with reverse of Ahmad Shah.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1983**RR**, brilliant uncirculated

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207



205 Copper gilt Pattern 1/2 Toman, Bust type, 1326 AH.

R, brilliant uncirculated206 Copper gilt Pattern 1/2 Toman, Bust type, 1326 AH, mule with reverse of Ahmad Shah.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1983**RR**, brilliant, uncirculated207 Copper gilt Pattern 1 Ashrafi, Bust type, 1326 AH.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1983**RR**, lustrous uncirculated

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208 Copper gilt Pattern 2 Ashrafi, Bust type, 1326 AH.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1983**RR**, brilliant uncirculated



209

209 Award Medal, Civil, 1327 AH.
Turath Collection, Spink & Son, London October 13, 1999, Lot 415

RRR, good extremely fine



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210



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210 Award Medal, Victory, 1327 AH.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1984

RRR, extremely fine



211



211 Award Medal, Reward for Valour, 1327 AH.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1984

RRR, mounted, extremely fine



Ahmad Shah

1327-1344 AH (1909-1925 AD)





Ahmad Shah was born in Tabriz on January 21, 1898 and ascended to the throne after the removal of his father Mohammad-Ali Shah by the Parliament on July 16, 1909. Due to his young age, his uncle, Ali-Reza Khan, took charge of his affairs as Regent. Upon reaching his majority Ahmad Shah was formally crowned on July 21, 1914.

In 1917 Great Britain used Persian territory to launch an attack into Russia in an unsuccessful attempt to reverse the Russian Revolution. Russia responded by annexing portions of Azarbaijan, much like its Tsarist predecessor. The inaction of the government against such aggression by a foreign power sparked anger among many traditional Persians who felt that Persia's sovereignty had been infringed.

On February 21, 1921 after a turbulent reign filled with internal unrest and foreign intrusions, he was pushed aside in a military coup by his Minister of War and Commander of the Cossack Brigade, Colonel Reza Khan. Ahmad Shah went into exile in 1923 and was officially deposed on October 31, 1925.

When Reza Shah was proclaimed King by the Assembly taking the title of Reza Shah Pahlavi, the Qajar dynasty was effectively terminated. Ahmad Shah died in Neuilly-sur-Seine near Paris on February 21, 1930 after a long illness and was buried in the family mausoleum in Karbala, Iraq.



AHMAD SHAH, 1327-1344 AH (1909-1925 AD)

GOLD COINS



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214



212 1/5 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1328 AH, 0.56g.
Sotheby's London 1984

RR, about extremely fine

213 1/5 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1330 AH, 0.56g.
Dr Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1986

RR, extremely fine

214 1/5 Toman, Bust type, 1335 AH, 0.57g.

about uncirculated



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215 1/5 Toman, Bust type, 1333 AH, 0.50g.

lustrous uncirculated



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217



218



216 1/5 Toman, Bust type, 1332 AH, 0.60g.

RR, *lustrous uncirculated*

217 1/5 Toman, Bust type, 1334 AH, 0.64g.

good extremely fine

218 1/5 Toman, Bust type with collar, 1339 AH, 0.64g.

extremely fine



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219 Pattern 1/5 Toman, Bust type with collar, 1339 AH, struck on thick flan, 1.68g.

RRRR, *brilliant uncirculated, the only known specimen*

All known Patterns of the 1/5 Toman are in bronze or gilt bronze, this is the only known example in gold.

W.A.G. Auctions, Armsburg, September 15, 2010



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221



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222



220 ½ Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1330 AH, 1.39g.

221 ½ Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1328 AH, 1.49g.
Spink & Son, London, 2008

222 ½ Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1329 AH, 1.49g.

R, *uncirculated*

RR, *brilliant uncirculated*

R, *lustrous about uncirculated*



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223 ½ Toman, Bust type, 1343 AH, Saheb al-Zamam, 1.38g.
Dr. Mesrob Abgarians Collection, Glendale, California 1989

RRR, *good extremely fine*



224



225



224 ½ Toman, Bust type, 1334 AH, 1.46g.

225 ½ Toman, Bust type, 1333 AH, 1.36g.

R, *good extremely fine*

R, *about uncirculated*



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226 ½ Toman, Bust type, 1331 AH, 1.44g.

R, *brilliant uncirculated*



227



- 227 1/2 Toman, Bust type with collar, 1339 AH, 1.40g.
Baldwin's, London 2008

RR, *good extremely fine*

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228



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- 228 1/2 Toman, Bust type with collar, 1339 AH, Saheb al-Zamam, 1.40g.
Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1992

RRR, *brilliant uncirculated*

229



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232



- 229 1 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1329 AH, 2.91g.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1982

RRR, *extremely fine*

- 230 1 Toman, Lion & Sun type, 1330 AH, 2.88g.
Ali Karimi Collection, London 2008

RRR, *good extremely fine*

- 231 1 Toman, Bust type, 1333 AH, 2.88g.

R, *about uncirculated*

- 232 1 Toman, Bust type with collar, 1341 AH, 2.87g.

R, *about uncirculated*

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233



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- 233 1 Toman, Bust type with collar, 1337 AH, 2.84g.
Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1995

RR, *brilliant uncirculated*



234



235



236



234 1 Toman, Bust type, 1334 AH, 2.81g.

235 1 Toman, Bust type with collar, 1343 AH, 2.85g.

236 1 Toman, Bust type, 1331 AH, 2.86g.

R, about uncirculated

R, extremely fine

R, brilliant uncirculated



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237



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237 1 Toman, Bust type, 1333 AH, struck with 2 Toman rev., 2.92g.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1980

RRR, lustrous uncirculated



238



238 1 Toman, Bust type, 1332 AH, struck with 2 Toman rev., 2.90g.
L. Neumann, Zurich, 1987

RRR, about uncirculated



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239



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239 Pattern 1 Toman, Bust type with collar on double thick flan, Lion & Sun rev. 1337 AH, 5.76g.

RRRR, brilliant uncirculated, only known example

In 1337 AH, on the occasion of the 10th Year of the Reign, this type was struck in 1 Toman, 2 Ashrafi, 5 Ashrafi and 10 Toman, which are all extremely rare.

Leeds Collection, Baldwin's Dubai, March 29, 2000, Lot 597



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240



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240 2 Toman, Bust type, 1331 AH, 5.60g.

RRRR, about uncirculated

This 2 Toman is the only known regular issue of this type. There are 1 Toman coins of Ahmad Shah with reverse of this coin reading 2 Toman, but they are not 2 Toman in weight.
S. Cordy, San Diego, California 1994



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241



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241 2 Ashrafi, Bust type, 1337 AH, 5.69g.

RRRR, brilliant uncirculated, a one-year issue struck for the 10th Year of Reign

Leeds Collection, Baldwin's Dubai, March 29, 2000, Lot 596



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242



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242 2000 Dinar struck in gold, 10th Year of Reign, 1337 AH, 14.14g.

RRRR, uncirculated, two known examples of this off-metal strike

World Coins, Tokyo, 1991



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243



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243 2000 Dinar struck in gold, Coronation type, Jolous, dated 1337 AH on obv., and dated 1336 AH on rev. to commemorate the 10th Year of Reign, 14.14g.

RRRR, brilliant uncirculated

This off-metal strike of 2000 Dinar, Coronation Type in gold commemorating the 10th Year of Reign, is of the highest rarity. Most likely a presentation piece.

Turath Collection, Spink & Son, London October 13, 1999, Lot 428



244



244 Medalllic 5 Toman, Reward for Valour, 1337 AH, 18.24g.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1984

RR, good extremely fine



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245



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245 5 Ashrafi, Bust type, 1337 AH, with Lion & Son rev. to commemorate 10th Year of Reign, 14.31g.

RRRR, brilliant uncirculated, excessively rare

Leeds Collection, Baldwin's Dubai, March 29, 2000, Lot 595



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246



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246 5 Toman, Lion & Sun type, issued on 5th Year of Reign, 1332 AH, 14.23g.
Sotheby's London 1981

RR, lustrous about uncirculated



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247



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247 Medallion 5 Toman, Bust type, 1332 AH to commemorate 5th Year of Reign, 21.80g.

RRRR, with suspension loop, good extremely fine, only recorded example

Swiss Bank Corporation, Zurich, 1991



248 Medallion 5 Toman, Bust type, with crown within wreath, dated 1337/1332 AH, 14.31g.

RRRR, brilliant uncirculated, the only known specimen

The coin is dated 1337/1332 AH has the two dates for 10th and 5th Year of Reign on obverse and reverse respectively.

G. Hirsch, Munich, September 2014



249 10 Toman, Bust type, 1337 AH, with rev. dated 1334 AH, 28.74g.

RRR, brilliant uncirculated

E. Bourgey, Paris, 1981



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250



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250 10 Toman, Bust type, 1331 AH, 28.45g.
Mortimer Hammel, Stacks & Bowers, New York, 1982

RRR, brilliant uncirculated



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251



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251 10 Toman, Bust type with Lion & Son rev. struck on the occasion of 10th Year of Reign, 1337 AH, 28.64g.

Spink & Son, London 1983

RRRR, about uncirculated, excessively rare type



SILVER & OTHER METAL COINS

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252



253



252 250 Dinar, 1343 AH.
Spink & Son, London 1996

RRR, brilliant uncirculated

253 250 Dinar, 1344 AH.

R, brilliant uncirculated



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254 Shahi, 1343 AH.
Spink & Son, London 1996

RRR, uncirculated



255



256



255 500 Dinar, Lion & Sun type, 1330 AH.

R, extremely fine

256 Proof 500 Dinar, Bust type, 1343 AH.
Spink & Son, London 1996

RR, uncirculated



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257 Pattern 500 Dinar, Bust type, plain edge, 1331 AH.
Spink & Son, London 1988

RRR, proof, brilliant uncirculated



258



259



258 1000 Dinar, Lion & Sun type, 1328 AH.

R, *uncirculated*

259 1000 Dinar, Lion & Sun type, variant *obv*, 1330 AH.

R, *uncirculated*



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260



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260 Proof 1000 Dinar, Lion & Sun type, 1330 AH.

R, *brilliant uncirculated*



261



261 1000 Dinar, Bust type, 1343 AH.
Spink & Son, London 1996

RR, *uncirculated*



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262



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262 Pattern 1000 Dinar, Bust type, plain edge, 1331 AH.
Spink & Son, London 1988

RRR, *proof-like, brilliant uncirculated*



263



263 Proof 1000 Dinar, Bust type, 10th Year of Reign, 1337 AH.
Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1992



264



RRR, brilliant uncirculated

264 2000 Dinar, Lion & Sun type, 1330 AH.

R, uncirculated



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265



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265 Pattern 2000 Dinar, Bust type, plain edge, 1331 AH.
Spink & Son, London 1988

RRR, proof-like, brilliant uncirculated



266



266 2000 Dinar, Bust type, 1334 AH.

R, about uncirculated



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267 2000 Dinar, Bust type, 1337 AH.
Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1996

RRR, brilliant good extremely fine



268



269



270



268 2000 Dinar, Bust type, 1344 AH.

R, extremely fine

269 2000 Dinar, Bust type, 1332 AH.

R, uncirculated

270 2000 Dinar, Bust type, 10th Year of Reign, 1337 AH.
George Moussesian, Munich, 1988

RRR, about uncirculated



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271



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271 5000 dinar, Bust type, rev. Pahlavi Crown, 133x AH, 21.34g.
This crown on the reverse appears on the coins of Reza Shah. It is a unique mule and unpublished.
J. Dilmaghani, Los Angeles 1998

RRRR, uncirculated, only know example



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272



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272 Pattern 5000 Dinar, Bust type, plain edge, 1331 AH.
Spink & Son, London 1989

RRR, proof-like, brilliant uncirculated



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274



273 5000 Dinar, Bust type, 1332 AH.

274 5000 Dinar, Bust type, a mule with rev. of 10 Toman, 1334 AH.
A. Saeedi, London, 1996

R, uncirculated

RRR, about uncirculated



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275 5000 Dinar, Bust type, 1337 AH.
Spink & Son, London 1981

RRR, brilliant uncirculated



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277



276 Medallion 5000 Dinar, Lion & Sun type, 1334 AH.
A. Saedi, London, 1985

RRR, mounted, uncirculated

277 Commemorative Medal, Visit to England, 1337 AH (1918).
Dr. Mesrob Abgarians Collection, Glendale, California 1986

RRR, uncirculated



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278 5000 Dinar, Lion & Sun type, 1332 AH.
Turath Collection, Spink & Son, London October 13, 1999

RRR, brilliant uncirculated



279



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281



279 Award Medal in bronze, Reward for Valour, 1337 AH.
Stephen Album, Santa Rosa, California, 1990

RR, traces of original lustre, about uncirculated

280 Award Medal, Reward for Valour, 1337 AH.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1988

RR, good extremely fine

281 Commemorative Medal, Lion & Sun type to commemorate 10th Year of Reign, 1337 AH, muled with *rev.* dated 1332 AH commemorating 5th Year of Reign.

RRR, uncirculated

Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1987



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282 Commemorative Medal, Bust type, 5th Year of Reign, 1332 AH.
Sotheby's London 1981

RRRR, brilliant uncirculated, only three known



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283 Commemorative Medal, conjoined Busts of Ahmad Shah and Naser al-Din Shah 1297/1337 AH, to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the creation of the Cossack Brigade in 1297 AH. **RRRR**, about uncirculated

Naser al-Din Shah created the important Cossack Brigade in 1297 AH, which was active throughout the entire period of the Qajar Dynasty. Munzen & Medaillen, Basel, 1992



284

284 Copper gilt Pattern $\frac{1}{5}$ Toman, Bust type, 1331 AH.
S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1982

RR, brilliant uncirculated



285

285 Copper gilt Pattern $\frac{1}{5}$ Toman, Bust type, Mule reverse of Mohammad Ali Shah, 1331 AH.
S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1982

RRR, lustrous uncirculated



286

286 Copper gilt Pattern $\frac{1}{2}$ Toman, Bust type, 1331 AH.
S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1982

RR, brilliant uncirculated

287 Copper gilt Pattern 1 Toman, Bust type, 1331 AH.
S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1982

RR, brilliant uncirculated



288

288 Copper gilt Pattern 2 Toman, Bust type, 1331 AH.
S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1982

RR, brilliant uncirculated



289

290

289 Copper-nickel 100 Dinar, 1337 AH.

uncirculated

290 Copper-nickel 50 Dinar, 1337 AH.

uncirculated



PAHLAVI

Reza Shah

1304-1320 SH (1925-1941 AD)





Reza Shah, son of Abbas-Ali Khan, the founder of the Pahlavi Dynasty was born in Alasht, Mazandaran on March 15, 1878. He reigned from December 15, 1925 to September 16, 1941.

At the age of 16 he joined the Cossack Brigade, and also served in the army. In 1911 he was promoted to First Lieutenant, by 1912 he was elevated to the rank of Captain and by 1915 he became a Colonel. In February 1921, as leader of the entire Cossack Brigade based in Qazvin he marched towards Tehran and seized the capital. He forced the dissolution of the government and installed Zia al-Din Tabatabaie as the new Prime Minister. Reza Khan's first role in the new government was Commander-in-Chief of the Army and the Minister of War. After the deposition of Ahmad Shah by the Parliament on October 31, 1925, Reza Khan was declared the new King of Persia by the Assembly and was given the title of Reza Shah Pahlavi.

During Reza Shah's 16 years reign, many major projects, developments and important reforms took place. His most notable achievements were the Trans-Persian Railways, the University of Tehran, the National Bank of Iran, along with the building of numerous highways, bridges and dams. He achieved the liberalisation of women's rights and the representation of all religious minorities in the Parliament. He also initiated some changes in foreign affairs, annulling the 19th Century capitulations to Europeans in 1928 and in 1932 unilaterally cancelled the oil concession awarded to William D'Arcy.

On August 1, 1941, the Allied forces invaded and occupied Persia by a massive air, land and naval assault. The Shah ordered the Persian military to end resistance and a ceasefire was declared.

In a hand-written letter by his Prime Minister, Mohammad-Ali Foroughi, Reza Shah announced his abdication in favour of his son, Mohammad-Reza, on September 16, 1941. After three years in exile, Reza Shah died on July 26, 1944. After his death, his body was carried to the Royal al-Rifa'i Mosque in Cairo, and in May 1950 his remains were flown back to Persia and buried in Ray, near Tehran.

**PAHLAVI****REZA SHAH 1304-1320 SH (1925-1941 AD)****GOLD COINS**

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291



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- 291 Commemorative Medal of 1 Toman weight, Now Rouz, 1305 SH, 2.92g.
The first gold issue of Reza Shah.
S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1983

RR, *extremely fine*

292



293



- 292 1 Pahlavi, Lion & Sun type, 1305 SH, 1.92g.
S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1983

RR, *about uncirculated*

- 293 2 Pahlavi, Lion & Sun type, 1305 SH, 3.84g.

R, *good extremely fine*

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294



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- 294 5 Pahlavi, Lion & Sun type, 1305 SH, 9.56g.
This coin has a reported mintage of 271 pieces, but it is an extremely rare issue with few known examples.
J. W. Garrett Collection, Bowers, New York, 1984

RRRR, *uncirculated*



295



296



297



298



295 1 Pahlavi, Bust type, 1307 SH, 1.93g.

R, good extremely fine

296 1 Pahlavi, Bust type, 1306 SH, 1.89g.

R, good extremely fine

297 2 Pahlavi, Bust type, 1306 SH, 3.79g.

R, about uncirculated

298 2 Pahlavi, Bust type, 1308 SH, 3.91g.

R, good extremely fine



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299



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299 5 Pahlavi, Bust type, 1307 SH, 9.56g.
S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1983

RR, about uncirculated



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300



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300 5 Pahlavi, Bust type, 1306 SH, 9.56g.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1986

RR, lustrous uncirculated



301



302



303



301 1/2 Pahlavi, Large Bust type, 1312 SH, 4.05g.

302 1/2 Pahlavi, Large Bust type, 1313 SH, 4.06g.

303 1/2 Pahlavi, Large Bust type, 1310 SH, 4.10g.

R, lustrous, uncirculated

R, lustrous, uncirculated

R, lustrous, uncirculated



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304



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304 1/2 Pahlavi, Large Bust type, 1315 SH, 4.03g.

RR, uncirculated



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305



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305 1 Pahlavi, Large Bust type, small lion, 1310 SH, 8.15g.

This coin with the small lion is of the highest rarity.

S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1983

RRRR, brilliant uncirculated



306



307



306

306 1 Pahlavi, Large Bust type, 1310 SH, 8.14g.

Sotheby's, London 1982

RRR, lustrous about uncirculated

307 Commemorative Medal, Sepah, no date, 29.09g.

Farhang-Mehr Collection, Los Angeles 1980

RRR, with original loop for suspension, matte finish, uncirculated

SILVER & OTHER METAL COINS

(all coins listed below in silver unless stated)



308



309



308 ½ Riyal, 1313 SH.

309 ½ Riyal, 1310 SH.

R, *uncirculated*

R, *uncirculated*



310



310



311



310 1 Riyal, 1312 SH.

311 2 Riyal, 1310 SH.

R, *uncirculated*

R, *uncirculated*



313



312



313

312 2 Riyal, 1313 SH.

313 5 Riyal, 1310 SH.

R, *uncirculated*

R, *uncirculated*



314



315



314 1000 Dinar, Lion & Sun type/Reza, 1305 SH.

315 1000 Dinar, Lion & Sun type/Reza, 1306 SH.

R, *good extremely fine*

R, *good extremely fine*



316



317



316 250 Dinar, Lion & Sun type/Rayej, 1315 SH.

R, *uncirculated*

317 500 Dinar, Bust type, 1307 SH.

R, *about uncirculated*

318



318 2000 Dinar, Bust type, 1306 SH.

R, *proof like, brilliant uncirculated*

319



320



319

319 5000 Dinar, Bust type, 1306 SH.

R, *uncirculated*

320 250 Dinar, Lion & Sun type/Rayej, 1304 SH.

R, *about uncirculated*

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321



2:1

321 500 Dinar, Lion & Sun type/Rayej, 1304 SH, 2.35g.

RRRR, *brilliant uncirculated*

The mintage of the first type of 500 Dinars dated 1304 SH is not known. 1304 SH is the beginning of the Pahlavi Dynasty and apparently the production of this issue must have been stopped shortly after the accession of Reza Shah. It is the rarest coin of the Pahlavi Dynasty. Baldwin's, London, August 6, 2014, Lot 695



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322



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322 1000 Dinar, Lion & Sun type/Rayej, 1304 SH.
S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1983

RR, extremely fine



323



324



325



326



323 Bronze 1 Dinar, 1310 SH.
324 Bronze 2 Dinar, 1310 SH.
325 Bronze 5 Dinar, 1310 SH.
S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1983
326 Bronze 10 Dinar, 1314 SH.

R, brilliant, uncirculated

R, brilliant, uncirculated

RR, extremely fine

R, extremely fine



327



327 Copper-nickel 10 Dinar, 1310 SH.

R, uncirculated



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328



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- 328 Copper-nickel 25 Dinar, 1310 SH.
S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1983

RR, *uncirculated*

329



330



- 329 Bronze 25 Dinar, 1314 SH.
S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1983

RR, *extremely fine*

- 330 Bronze 10 Shahi, 1314 SH.

R, *about uncirculated*

331



332



333



334



- 331 Aluminium-bronze 5 Dinar, 1317 SH.
332 Aluminium-bronze 10 Dinar, 1318 SH.
333 Aluminium-bronze 10 Dinar, 1315 SH.
334 Aluminium-bronze 50 Dinar, 1315 SH.

uncirculated
uncirculated
brilliant uncirculated
extremely fine



335 Copper-nickel 50 Dinar, 1307 SH.
336 Copper-nickel 100 Dinar, 1307 SH.

uncirculated
uncirculated



337 Award Medal, Sepah, no date.
S. Ahghari, San Jose, California, 1991

RR, *about extremely fine*



338 Award Medal, Military, 1303/23 SH.
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1989

RR, *extremely fine*

339 Commemorative Medal, Mus al-Reza, 1312 SH.
George Moussesiane, Munich, 1989

RR, *about extremely fine*



340



340 Award Medal, Reward for Service, 1304/25 AH.

R, extremely fine



341



341 Award Medal in silver gilt, Reward for Service, 1304/25 SH.

R, good extremely fine



342



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342

342 Award Medal, Sepah with facing bust, no date.
S. Ahghari, San Jose, California, 1994

RR, extremely fine



Mohammad Reza Shah

1320-1358 SH (1941-1979 AD)





Mohammad Reza Shah was the eldest son of Reza Shah and his second wife, Tadj ol-Molouk. He was born in Tehran October 26, 1919 and was proclaimed Crown Prince on the occasion of his father's coronation on 24 April 1926. Mohammad Reza Shah was the first Iranian Prince to be educated abroad, studying at Institut Le Rosey in Switzerland, which left him with a life-long admiration for all things French. He later attended military school in Tehran and after graduating, he quickly rose to the rank of Captain.

He succeeded his father, Reza Shah after his abdication on September 16, 1941. On 26 October 1967, twenty-six years into his reign as Shah, he took the ancient title Shāhanshāh in a lavish coronation ceremony. Beside him was his third wife, Farah Diba, who he married in 1959 and with whom he had four children. Mohammad Reza made major changes to modernise Iran and during his reign, the national Iranian income showed an unprecedented rise for an extended period.

He was diagnosed with cancer in 1974 (unknown to the public) and he died in exile in on 27 July 1980. He was given a state funeral in Egypt and is buried in the al-Rifa'i Mosque in Cairo.

The following Lots are a few rarities from the early years of his reign.



MOHAMMAD REZA SHAH, 1320-1358 SH (1941-1979 AD)



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343



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- 343 Gold ½ Pahlavi, 1320 SH. **RRRR, uncirculated**
 This is the first issue of Mohammad Reza Shah, and is of the highest rarity.
 Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1988



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344



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- 344 Bronze Pattern ¼ Pahlavi, small flan, no date. **RRR, about uncirculated**
 S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1985



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345



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- 345 Bronze Pattern ¼ Pahlavi, no date. **RRR, about uncirculated**
 S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1985



346



- 346 Bronze Pattern 2 Pahlavi, no date. **RRR, original lustre, uncirculated**
 S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1985



347

- 347 Bronze Pattern 5 Pahlavi, no date.
S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1985

RRR, original lustre, uncirculated



348

- 348 Bronze Award Medal, Baghar Khan, 1376 SH.
Baghar Khan played a key role in the Iranian constitutional revolution, 1905-1911.

RR, brilliant uncirculated

PRESENTATION ISSUES



349

- 349 Gold 25 Toman in original box, Naser al-Din Shah. Return from Europe, 1307 AH, 71.35g. **RRRR**, brilliant uncirculated
This issue dated 1307 AH was struck for the return of Naser al-Din Shah to Persia from his third and final trip to Europe. The mintage was very limited, and the issue thus excessively rare.
Mortimer Hammel, Stacks & Bowers, New York, 1982



350



351



352



- 350 Gold 25 Toman, Naser al-Din Shah, 50th Year of Reign, 1313 AH, 71.74 g.

RRRR, brilliant, about uncirculated and the only known specimen

In 1313 AH (1896), preparations were being made to celebrate the 50th Year of Naser al-Din Shah's reign when suddenly the assassin Mirza Reza Kermani, taking advantage of the Shah's custom of receiving petitions in person, fired at close range and killed him. The 25 Toman coins intended for distribution were recalled and melted. This is the only known example and is believed to be unique. Glendining, London, 1988

- 351 Silver 10,000 Dinar, Naser al-Din Shah, 1301 AH.
Sotheby's, London, 1984

RRR, brilliant about uncirculated

- 352 Silver 10,000 Dinar, Naser al-Din Shah, Return from Europe, 1307 AH.
Dr. Mesrob Abgarians Collection, Glendale, California 1988

RRR, about uncirculated



353



355



354



- 353 Silver 10,000 Dinar, Naser al-Din Shah, 50th Year of Reign, 1313 AH.
Dr. Mesrob Abgarians Collection, Glendale, California 1988

RRR, extremely fine

- 354 Bronze Pattern 10,000 Dinar, Naser al-Din Shah. 1301 AH.
A. Saeedi, London 1998

RRR, traces of original lustre, uncirculated

COMMEMORATIVE MEDALS

- 355 Bronze Medal, Khosrow Mirza, Visit to Russia, 1245 AH (1829), 143.63g.

RRRR bronzed proof, uncirculated

After the conclusion of a peace treaty between Persia and Russia in 1828, a Russian mission under M. Grebaïodov was sent to Tehran by Tsar Nicholas I. The mission was received with honour, but the envoy's claim for the surrender of two Armenian women by a high-ranking court official created a riot and a mob stormed the Russian Embassy, murdering the envoy and his staff. In dismay the Shah dispatched his grandson, Khosrow Mirza to offer the apologies of the Persian Government, which were eventually accepted. In the following year Khosrow Mirza officially visited Russia again and this extremely rare medal commemorates his visit in 1829.
S. Cordry, San Diego, California, 1983



356

- 356 Mohammad-Ali Shah, Silver gilt Medal, for the Bombardment of Parliament, 1326 AH, 40.83g. **RRR**, *good very fine*

Ever since his accession to power, Mohammad-Ali Shah had strong opposition from the more liberal members of the Assembly. After the failure of the first attempt to destroy the Constitution in 1907, efforts were made to bring about better relations between the Shah and his subjects, and a Conciliation Committee was formed, but the gulf between absolutism and democracy was too wide to be bridged. On June 23, 1908 by the order of the Shah, the troops surrounded the parliament and artillery fire was opened, destroying a large part of the Assembly House.

William Barrett, Montreal, 1982



357

- 357 Naser al-Din Shah, Bronze Medal for the Opening of the Tehran Mint, 1281 AH, 84.94g. **RRRR**, *bronzed proof, uncirculated, the only known specimen*

This is an incomplete pattern, which was intended to be presented to Naser al-Din Shah for the inauguration, but was not issued.
William Barrett, Montreal, 2014



358

358 Naser al-Din Shah, a double set of bronze medals by A. B. Wyon in original box, presented by the Lord Mayor of London to commemorate the Shah's Visit to the City on June 20, 1873. **RR**, bronzed proof, uncirculated
William Barrett, Montreal, 1982



359

359 Mozaffar al-Din Shah, bronze Medal, 1318 AH to commemorate his Visit to Russia, 120.49g. **RRRR**, good extremely fine
Sotheby's, London, 1984



360

360 Mozaffar al-Din Shah, silver Medal, 1318 AH to commemorate his Visit to Russia, 134.38g. **RRRR**, good extremely fine
Dr. A. Shams-Aram, Frankfurt, 1984



361



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361

361 Mozaffar al-Din Shah, Silver-gilt Medal in original box for Visit to Rome, 1902, 49.00g. **RRRR**, extremely fine
This extremely rare medal commemorates the visit of Mozaffar al-Din Shah to Rome during the reign of Vittorio Emanuele III (1900-1946).
Mansour Afshar Collection, Geneva, 1991



362

362 Silver medal, Mirza Mohammad Khan. Recognition of Service in Belgium, 1914-1918, 95.40g.

RRR, matte finish, good extremely fine

M. Karim-Zadah Collection, London, 1995



363 1:1,5

363 Reza Shah silver double presentation set of 2000 & 5000 Dinar, 1306 SH, in original green box.

RRR, proof set, toned, uncirculated

William Barrett, Montreal, 1982



364



364 Reza Shah, Silver Medal, 1934, to commemorate Visit to Ankara, 219.00g.

RRRR, brilliant extremely fine

This large medal commemorates the only visit of Reza Shah to a foreign country in 1934 when he travelled to Turkey to meet Mustafa Kamal Ataturk. This medal was produced in very limited numbers and is extremely rare.
Khosravani Collection, Nice, 1985

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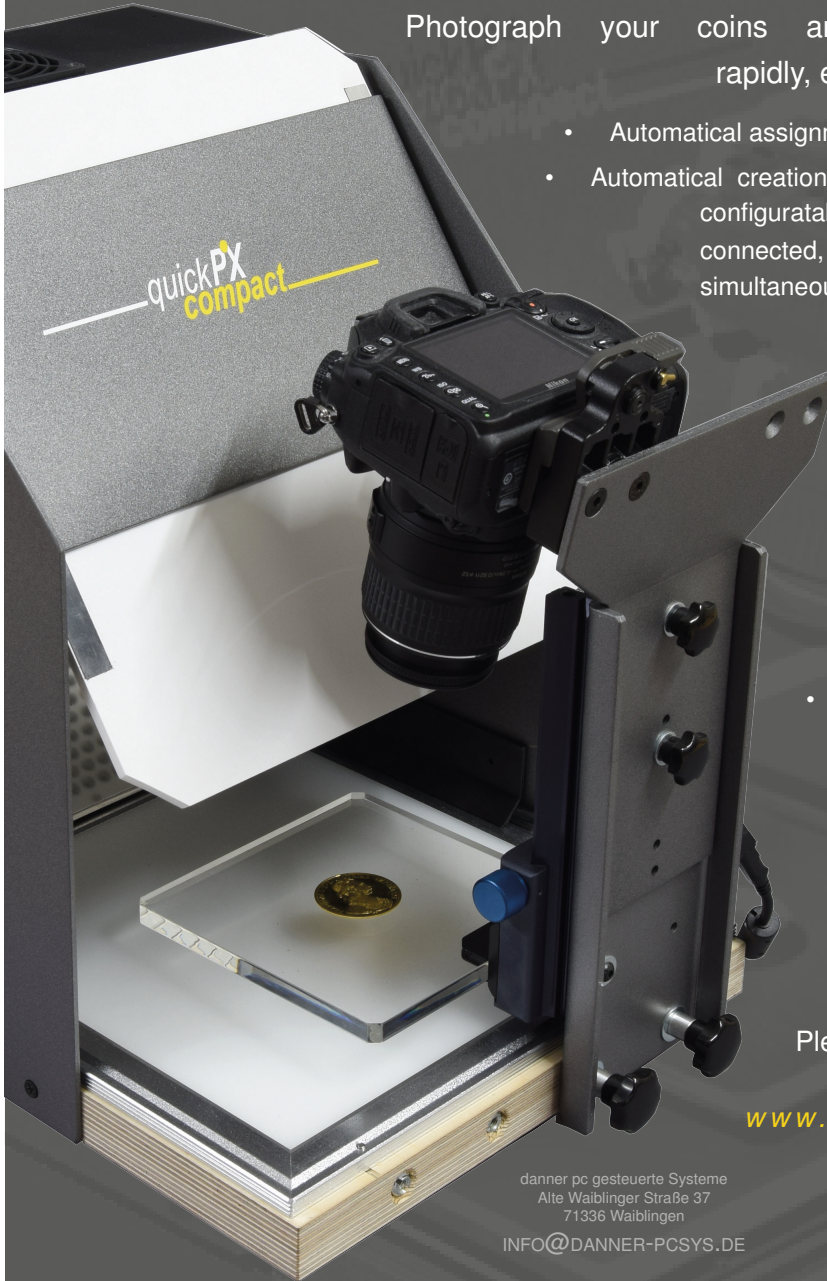
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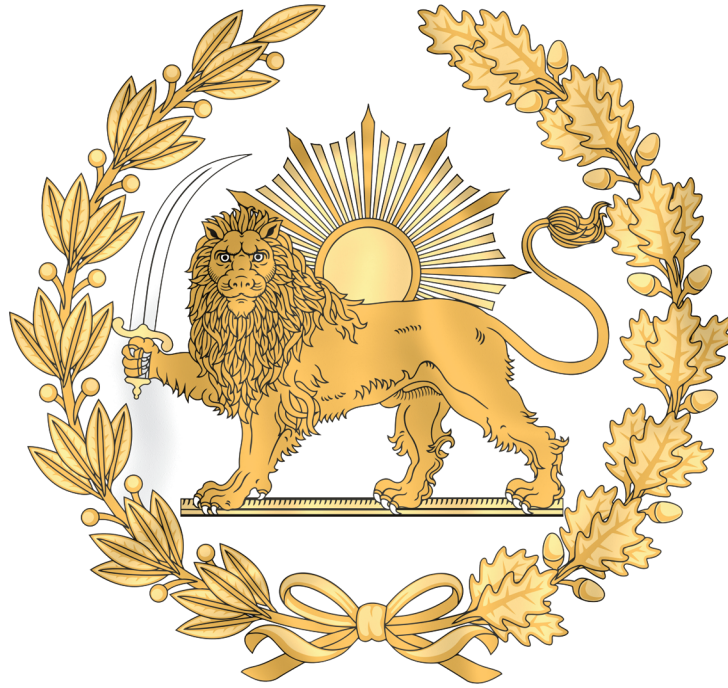
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