Great Collectible Coins for Under $200!

At first, buying rare and collectible coins can be an overwhelming experience. There's a completely new vocabulary to learn, from coin types to grading terms and pretty much everything in between. This is why, with any purchase of coins through this newsletter, we will mail you a free copy of the 447-page, 2015 Red Book Guide to U.S. Coins. As you gain more experience, you will find that the best coins to collect have surprisingly straightforward rationales for you to buy them. If you are passionate about collecting coins then you are joining millions of like-minded people. Coin sales in the United States at auctions, coin shows, by mail order, online and at coin stores during 2014 was $5 billion. That does not include the nearly $500 million new collectible items issued by the United States Mint in 2014, and excludes the sale of Gold and Silver Eagle bullion coins. At the high end of the market, a dozen coins sold for over $1 million each at auction. You have also probably seen in the news that a rare penny sold for $2,585,000 in January. The coin, a rare Birch Cent, was one of only about 10 coins that were "experimentally produced" by the U.S. Mint.

In this newsletter we are highlighting six high quality innovative coins with widespread collector appeal that can still be acquired for under $200 each. These coins have a healthy number of collectors, and collectors drive prices!

Coins certified MS70 or PR70 are the pinnacle of the modern issue collectible coin market. "Coin grade or condition" is used to indicate the condition, amount of wear or state of preservation of a coin. The grade of a coin is important because it is one of the three critical factors in determining value and future price potential. The other two factors are rarity and demand.

In the United States, coins are graded based on the Sheldon numerical scale created in 1949 by Dr. William Sheldon. The scale grades coins from 1 (barely identifiable) to 70 (absolute perfection). It's no surprise that coins graded in MS70 or PR70 are highly sought after among collectors. As a result, coins with the grade of 70 generally tend to appreciate in value more quickly than coins in lesser grades.

2015 Maple Leaf MS70 $195
Phenomenal Rarities!

This list of six great collectible coins for under $200 is not compiled as a top down list with our most popular choice first. Collect what you like.

Silver Maple Leaf coins have been minted annually by the Royal Canadian Mint since 1988. Their design is instantly recognizable worldwide. However, you won't see any of them on the Internet or in catalogues! This is because between the leading coin grading services, ANACS, NGC and PCGS, only a handful of coins from only three of the twenty eight years issued have ever been graded in perfect MS70. It's ironic that the reason silver Maple Leaf coins do not grade in MS70 is because the purity of the silver is too high. Their legendary .9999 silver purity makes them extremely soft and far more prone to dents, scratches and scratches than other silver coins. Silver Maples also have a deeper strike than other bullion coins, making Queen Elizabeth’s image prone to scratches. Your call to action is this: These coins are exceptionally rare in MS70 condition.
2015 F.R. Silver Panda MS70 $129
Key Date in Series!

Issued since 1983, Chinese Silver Panda coins are the world’s longest running modern issue bullion coin series. Pandas have remained popular over the years because the design of the coin changes each year. (Imagine if the design of Silver Eagles changed annually). Past issues of Panda coins from the 1980’s are phenomenal rarities and command prices of $5,000 + in perfect MS70 condition. Your call to action is: The China Mint has created a one-year-only 2015 design which does NOT note the weight and purity on the surfaces of the coin. This is the only time in thirty years the weight and purity designation has not been displayed on the coin. The weight is scheduled to be displayed in grams on the 2016 coins, meaning these 2015 coins will forever stand as a key date in the series. China has also removed restrictions on direct investment in gold and silver coins by its citizens. In doing so, they have unleashed a massive new pool of buyers for this coin and all other coins issued in this series.

2014 Curved Baseball Hall of Fame Half Dollars
PCGS PR69 $195 Signed by Designer!

The most innovative coin series released in 2014 was the National Baseball Hall of Fame coins. These coins became an instant hit with collectors and their popularity crossed over to the sports market. The coin is unique because it is the first curved coin produced by the United States Mint. The design depicts a glove that, combined with the baseball design featured on the reverse, exemplifies the most basic elements of our national pastime or a simple game of catch in the backyard or at the local sandlot. The glove design also highlights the unique concavity of the coin. Your call to action is: Cassie McFarland, the designer, individually hand signed her name on a small group of Proof coins certified PR69 by PCGS at the famous Long Beach coin show. Only 122 coins were signed and certified PR69 by PCGS. This offer combines innovation, a first-time-ever issue, the designer’s signature and a low certified population.
2012 $20 F.R. Canada’s Last Penny
MS70 $179 – 99.99% Pure Silver!

This popular quarter ounce silver coin was struck in 2012 to commemorate the end of the one cent coin in Canada, which was discontinued in 2012 and will never be struck again. The design metaphorically captures the “fall of the penny” by depicting the iconic maple leaves of the one cent, which have dropped into a pool of water. This coin features a specimen finish, a three-fold combination of different finishes. The design (raised area or relief) includes both brilliant and mirrored surfaces, while the fields (background) are striated, resulting in a contrasting matte appearance. Your call to action is: This coin has a very limited mintage of just 250,000 coins. The Canadian Mint imposed a limit of 3 coins per household. The restricted distribution of the coins excluded many coin dealers and has lead to a shortage of high grade certified coins in the marketplace. The coins are ANACS certified, in perfect MS70 condition and have First Release status. These coins are part of a certified limited edition of just 590 coins. Each coin is individually numbered on its holder. The individual serial numbers and certified fixed limited editions are why so many collectors seek out ANACS First Release coins.

2014 American Coin & Currency Set
EU69 $115 Only 50,000 Minted!

This coin and currency set features a unique and distinctively enhanced uncirculated coin that few collectors have even heard about; and has a mintage that is a tiny fraction of other coins in this series. The Native American dollar replaced the Sacagawea dollar in 2009. The two series share a common obverse of Sacagawea and her son, Jean Baptiste, but the Native American dollar’s design changes annually. Although the U.S. Mint has previously issued an enhanced uncirculated Silver Eagle, this coin uses a different technology. The result gives the coins a bright finish without appearing polished, like Proof coins. Due to miscommunication from the U.S. Mint, very few collectors are aware of the unique nature of the Enhanced coins that were referred to as just uncirculated coins. This led to a mad scramble and the first few coins discovered in EU70 condition and certified by NGC sold for $750 each. Your call to action is: These coins are truly special and very collectible because only 50,000 coins have been authorized. Mintages for the Native American dollar series are: over ten million for the circulation strikes, 1.5 million for the Proof strikes and around 500,000 for the satin finish coins. The low 50,000 mintage makes them the key date in the series.
2015 $5 Gold NGC MS70
Only Coins in 30 Years
with Different Reeded Edges! *

Some 2015 $5 Gold Eagle coins struck at the West Point Mint have been discovered with different reeding styles around the edges of the coins. This is the first time that a variation in reed sizes on the edges of any American Eagle bullion coins has been noted. The coin grading service Numismatic Guaranty Corp, NGC, who made the discovery, is attributing them as Wide Reeds and Narrow Reed edge varieties. The Wide Reed variant is the standard size reeding that has appeared on all previous coins the Narrow Reed variety has the previously undiscovered edges. Edge Reeding was introduced in 1836 to help prevent the common practice of shaving gold off the edges of coins. * At this time we are offering the coins as a pair at $199 each. The coins are Certified in perfect MS70 and have Early Release status. Ask your representative about the more limited NGC First Day of Issue varieties we have.

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