

Questions for Central Bank of Malta
Re: 2023 Malta 5 Euro 1 Ounce Silver Land Of The Free Bison
14 October 2024

Background Information

The United States Mint publishes the premium it charges authorized purchasers for various minted precious metal coins at the following website. <https://www.usmint.gov/news/consumer-alerts/business-guidelines/authorized-purchaser-program>

As of 8 October 2024, it states, "American Eagle Silver Bullion ... United States Mint Authorized Purchasers are charged the LBMA Silver Price plus a \$3.05 per coin premium. ... Minimum ordering requirement: 25,000 ounces"

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Premiums and Minimums

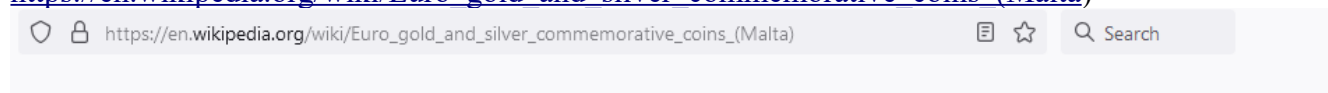
Prices for American Eagles are based on the prevailing price of gold, silver, platinum, or palladium plus a modest premium to cover minting, distribution, and marketing costs. Prices change on a daily basis, as the gold, silver, platinum and palladium markets fluctuate.

American Eagle Silver Bullion

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For some Maltese coins, the following is published: issue price, quality (grade), and quantity minted.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Euro_gold_and_silver_commemorative_coins_\(Malta\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Euro_gold_and_silver_commemorative_coins_(Malta))



2008 Coinage [edit]

Auberge de Castille ^{[2][3]}			
	Designer: Royal Dutch Mint		Mint: Royal Dutch Mint
	Face Value: €10	Alloy: Ag 925 (Silver)	Quantity: 18,000
	Issued: 26 August 2008	Diameter: 38.61 mm (1.52 in)	Weight: 28.28 g (1.00 oz; 0.91 ozt)
			Issue price: €38 ^[4] Market Value: €46–€54 ^{[5][6][7]}

<https://web.archive.org/web/20080923004519/http://www.centralbankmalta.org/site/pr1main.asp?ItemID=556>

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Issue Date 26 August 2008

Subject Issue of first Maltese euro denominated collector coin

The Central Bank of Malta has issued a collector coin in a gold and silver version with the theme "Auberge de Castille"

The obverse of the coins shows the Emblem of Malta with the year of issue 2008. The reverse side depicts the porch of the Auberge de Castille. These coins are being issued under the Europa Programme 2008 with the theme 'Cultural Heritage'. The 'Europa Star', which is the official logo of this programme, is shown on the reverse of the coin.

These are the first Maltese collector coins denominated in euro and were minted at the Royal Dutch Mint with the following specifications:

Face: €50; €10

Metal: Gold; Silver

Finesse: 0.916; 0.925

Weight: 6.5(gr); 28.28 (gr)

Diameter: 21 (mm); 38.61 (mm)

Edition Limit: 3,000; 18,000

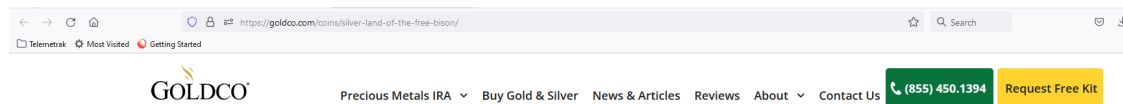
The gold coin is available for sale at the price of €185 (inclusive of VAT) while the silver coin is on sale at the price of €38 (inclusive of VAT). These coins may be purchased from the Malta Coins Distribution Centre, Central Bank of Malta, Pjazza Kastilja, Valletta, or via the Bank's website: www.centralbankmalta.org under the Currency section. Further information may be obtained by phoning the Bank on 2550 6005.

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Description

- Producer: Royal Dutch Mint
- Face Value: 5 Euros
- Content: 1 Ounce Silver
- Front: “LAND OF THE FREE”, “BISON”
- Reverse: “CENTRAL BANK OF MALTA”, “5 EURO”, “1 Oz 9999 Ag”, “2023”



Silver Land of The Free | Bison



Goldco is proud to offer this 2023 silver Land of the Free Bison coin. Each coin is struck by the Royal Dutch Mint from 1 oz. of 99.9% pure silver. This gorgeous coin features the seal of the Central Bank of Malta on the obverse. The reverse features an image of an American bison walking across the prairie. A frequent motif in American coinage, the bison conjures up nostalgic memories of the American West.

- Producer: Royal Dutch Mint
- Face Value: 5 Euros
- Weight: 31.1 g
- Content: 1 oz.
- Purity: 999
- Diameter: 35 mm
- IRA Eligible: Yes



Questions

With regard to the 2023 Malta 5 Euro 1 Ounce Silver Land Of The Free Bison:

1. Which grades (e.g., proof, bullion, etc.) were minted?
2. For each grade, how many coins were minted?
3. For each grade, what was the issue price?
4. Is this coin legal tender? Where is it accepted as legal tender?
5. What other information does the Central Bank of Malta normally publish concerning coins like this? How may this information be obtained?

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