

Lot Type Grading Description

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AUSTRALIA - COINS - Pre-Decimal - Florin

2594 Commemorative Florins in ring-binder with 1927 Canberra x17, 1951 Federation x210 and 1954 Royal Visit x285, condition mixed, mostly circulated. Weighs 6.5kg+. (512) 800

**Lot 2595**

2595 1916 KGV 2/- Hairline die crack from rim to Kangaroo ear, gEF/aUnc. 250

**Ex Lot 2596**

2596 1926-1963 In Dansco window type album, containing some better coins including KGV 1932 Fine, 1935 x2 (one aUnc), 1939 gVF, then complete KGV I & QEII with some duplication to 1963, plus 1927 Canberra, 1934/35 Melbourne, 1951 Jubilee and 1954 Royal Visit, condition mixed. (52) 600

**Lot 2597**

2597 1934/35 Specimen-Pattern Melbourne Centenary Florin, clearly showing Nipple on Rider's Right Breast, sharp Full Laurel Wreath on rider, High Relief Eyebrow on Horse and Bevelled Rim above CENTENARY denticles, toning on reverse only, aUnc. Included is a copy of the detailed and informative article from CAB August 2007 'The Enigmatic Proof and Specimen Strikes of The 1934-35 Centenary Florin, The Importance of Nipples, Surfaces and Rims' by T. Vincent Verheyen.

The identifying feature of what has become known as the *Specimen-Pattern Florin* is not the presence of a full wreath but a nipple on the left breast of the rider. Only a handful of coins with a nipple have been observed, and no record has been found to date to clarify this small mintage. A plausible explanation offered by Klaus Ford for the lack of a prominent nipple on all but the specimen Centenary florins is that they were not accepted by the mint committee/mint master as the final design. Moral standards being vastly different from what they are today may have lead to the removal of the "offensive" nipple from the die. This would explain the lack of a prominent nipple on the proof strikes despite the extra care in their preparation and striking. The deliberate removal of the nipple, if correct, implies that the specimen strikes are also technically patterns. Less than twelve 'Specimen-Pattern' Centenary Florins are known to exist. Source T. Vincent Verheyen.

2,500

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Lot 2598

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| 2598 | | | 1934 KGV 2/-, aUnc. | 800 |
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Lot 2599

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| 2599 | | | 1935 KGV 2/-, toned obverse, Uncirculated. | 400 |
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Ex Lot 2600

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| 2600 | | | 1938-1963 Complete run in <i>Whitman</i> album, the 1939 with small scratch on Emu, (aUnc), all coins appear to be aUnc/Unc. (27) | 500 |
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Lot 2601

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| 2601 | | | 1957 QEII 2/- <i>Broadstrike</i> , superb reverse strike, struck without collar, Uncirculated. Scarce. | 400 |
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