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# Commemorative Coins Issued in 2023

## Vasyl Krychevskyi



Issued into circulation  
24 January 2023



Face value, UAH  
2



Metal  
Nickel silver



Weight, g  
12.8



Diameter, mm  
31.0



Quality  
Special uncirculated



Edge  
Grooved



Mintage, units  
30,000



Designers  
Volodymyr Taran,  
Oleksandr Kharuk, Serhii Kharuk



Engraver  
Volodymyr Atamanchuk



Computer-aided  
design  
Yurii Lukianov

This coin celebrates the 150th anniversary of the birth of Vasyl Krychevskyi, who was one of the most prominent and unique figures of Ukrainian art in the late 19th through the mid-20th centuries. Krychevskyi had a broad range of talents: he contributed to architecture and painting, designed books, produced artistic presentations for theatrical performances and films, while also designing Ukraine's national coat of arms, state seal, and paper money and stamps of the Ukrainian People's Republic. Krychevskyi had an intimate knowledge of folk and world art, he knew how to teach, and constantly studied himself.

Drawing inspiration from the artistic work of the Ukrainian people, Krychevskyi left behind a significant heritage – the artist's creative influence and multifaceted individuality can be felt in all branches of art. In many of them, he is seen as an innovator and creator of the Ukrainian national style.

**Obverse:** above, against the backdrop of an ornament developed by Krychevskyi, is the legend УКРАЇНА

(Ukraine), below which is Ukraine's small coat of arms; to the right and left of the coat of arms are the figures that make up the coin's issue year 2023; in the center is a stylized decorative tree of life – an element from a state banknote of the Ukrainian People's Republic; in the center of the tree is the coin's face value ДВІ ГРИВНІ (2 hryvnias); beneath, against a smooth background, is the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** against a smooth background is a portrait of Krychevskyi, to the right of which is a composition that stands for the artist's heritage: above is the coat of arms of the Ukrainian People's Republic, below which is the first example of the new Ukrainian architectural style – the main facade of the building of the Poltava Province County Council (1903–1908) built to a design by Krychevskyi; to the left of the portrait, against a smooth background, is the semicircular legend ВАСИЛЬ КРИЧЕВСЬКИЙ (Vasyl Krychevskyi); his years of birth and death 1873 / 1952 are to the right of the portrait against a matt background.

## Chornobyl. Revival. The Eurasian Lynx

 Issued into circulation  
26 April 2023

 Face value, UAH  
5

 Metal  
Nickel silver

 Weight, g  
16.5

 Diameter, mm  
35.0

 Quality  
Special uncirculated

 Edge  
Grooved

 Mintage, units  
40,000



**Designer**  
Nataliia Fandikova



**Engravers**  
Anatolii Demianenko,  
Volodymyr Demianenko

This coin celebrates the Eurasian lynx. The 30-kilometer exclusion zone and the zone of mandatory resettlement, which was designated the Chornobyl Radiation and Ecological Biosphere Reserve on 26 April 2016, has become a special kind of breeding reserve not only for common species of animal, but also for endangered ones.

The lynx is one such rare species that are now hard to find in the wild.

In the past, lynxes were widespread in Polesia (a natural and historical region that starts from the farthest edge of Central Europe, encompasses Eastern Europe, including Eastern Poland, the Belarus–Ukraine border, and Western Russia). But the destruction of forests and hunting by humans meant that the animal became rare as far back as the 19th century.

Eurasian lynxes are on Ukraine's list of endangered species. They are also protected under Appendix II of the Bern Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats, and the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora.

**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms, under which is the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine); to the right of the coat of arms is the coin's face value 5 / ГРИВЕНЬ (5 / hryvnias); in the center is a symbolic wheel of life that marks rebirth of nature: stylized international radioactive sign shrouded in leaves surrounded by animals that are increasing their populations in the 30-kilometer exclusion zone that became a kind of a breeding reserve for black stork, Przewalski's horse, lynx, bison, moose, and brown bear; there is a circular legend against a smooth background, reading: ЧОРНОБИЛЬСЬКИЙ РАДІАЦІЙНО-ЕКОЛОГІЧНИЙ БІОСФЕРНИЙ ЗАПОВІДНИК (Chornobyl Radiation and Ecological Biosphere Reserve) (to the left) CHORNOBYL RADIATION AND ECOLOGICAL BIOSPHERE RESERVE; below is the coin's issue year 2023; above is the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** against the backdrop of a landscape there is an image of a lynx (pad-printed), above which, to the left, against a smooth background, is the following legend: РИСЬ / ЄВРАЗІЙСЬКА / EURASIAN LYNX (Eurasian / lynx / Eurasian lynx); above is a lynx with its cubs.

## Pavlo Skoropadskyi



Issued into circulation  
30 May 2023



Face value, UAH  
2



Metal  
Nickel silver



Weight, g  
12.8



Diameter, mm  
31.0



Quality  
Special uncirculated



Edge  
Grooved



Mintage, units  
30,000



Designers  
Volodymyr Taran,  
Oleksandr Kharuk, Serhii Kharuk



Engravers  
Anatolii Demianenko,  
Volodymyr Atamanchuk

This coin celebrates the 150th anniversary of the birth of Pavlo Skoropadskyi, a Ukrainian state and political figure, military leader, and a hetman of Ukraine (1918). After coming to power, Skoropadskyi – who descended from an ancient Cossack family – focused on solving the economic and financial problems of the state, launched land reform, and developed the armed forces of the Ukrainian State. He also made a significant contribution to national and cultural policies – he helped establish a number of national state scientific, cultural and educational institutions in Ukraine. In less than eight months, he managed to bring about considerable economic changes and improve the health of the state's finances. His Letter to All Ukrainian People, dated 29 April 1918, declared that the rights to private property – which lay the foundation of culture and civilization – are being fully restored.

**Obverse:** beneath, against a smooth background, are Ukraine's small coat of arms and the legend УКРАЇНА

(Ukraine); to the right is the coin's issue year 2023; in the center, against the backdrop of the stylized array of flying flags is a triangle (a vignette by Heorhiy Narbut) that stands for the cultural and economic prosperity of the Ukrainian State achieved under Skoropadskyi's Hetmanate; around the triangle are the following legends: УКРАЇНІЗАЦІЯ (promotion of the Ukrainian language and culture) (above), ОСВІТА (education) (to the left) and ГРИВНЯ (hryvnia) (to the right); above, against a smooth background, are the coin's face value 2 and the graphic sign of the hryvnia ₴; beneath, to the left is the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** to the right is a portrait of Pavlo Skoropadskyi; to the left of the portrait is a composition symbolizing the Ukrainian Revolution; above, against a smooth background, are the years of Skoropadskyi's birth and death 1873–1945; beneath is the legend ПАВЛО / СКОРОПАДСЬКИЙ (Pavlo / Skoropadskyi).

## Born in Ukraine

	Issued into circulation 1 June 2023
	Face value, UAH 5   5
	Metal and its fineness Silver (Ag 925)   Nickel silver
	Weight, g 15.55   16.5
	Diameter, mm 33.0   35.0
	Quality Proof   Special uncirculated
	Edge Smooth with incised inscriptions*   Grooved
	Mintage, units 5,000   Up to 75,000



Designer  
Oleh Shupliak



Engravers  
Anatolii Demianenko,  
Volodymyr Atamanchuk

This coin celebrates little Ukrainians, who carry within themselves the life-creating roots of ancient and present times, and whose place and time of birth in this land are not accidental. Our futures are in the small palms of our children, while their present is in our hands. This is precisely what Ukraine is fighting for now! For the freedom of the children who are born in our country. Before Russia's full-scale invasion, over 7,000,000 children lived in Ukraine. The invaders deprived many of these children of a happy childhood, their homes, and of their loved ones. All of them have only one dream – Ukraine's Victory. All of us believe that Mother Ukraine will be reborn from the ruins and that new generations of happy children born in free and independent Ukraine will grow up there!

**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms; to the left of the coat of arms are the semicircular legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine) and the coin's issue year 2023;

to the right of the coat of arms is the coin's face value П'ЯТЬ ГРИВЕНЬ (five hryvnias); in the center is Oleh Shupliak's picture "The Cradle," which has a traditional Ukrainian flavor; the picture shows one of the most precious archetypes of Ukrainians – parents' house surrounded by hollyhocks and a towel, the house is both a cradle and a nest, symbolizing the continuation of the family. On the nickel silver coin, the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works is located beneath, against a smooth background.

**Reverse:** there is a picture by Oleh Shupliak called "The Link": against the backdrop of a stylized Universe is a child in a space suit who is inextricably linked by an umbilical cord with its mother Ukraine (the map of Ukraine above); to the left, against a smooth background, is the semicircular legend НАРОДЖЕНИЙ В УКРАЇНІ (born in Ukraine).

\*Edge: smooth with incised inscriptions indicating the metal and its fineness Ag 925, fine weight 15,55, and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

## The Courage To Be. UA

	<b>Issued into circulation</b> 23 August 2023
	<b>Face value, UAH</b> 10   5
	<b>Metal and its fineness</b> Silver (Ag 925)   Nickel silver
	<b>Weight, g</b> 31.1   16.5
	<b>Diameter, mm</b> 38.6   35.0
	<b>Quality</b> Special uncirculated   Special uncirculated
	<b>Edge</b> Smooth with incised inscriptions*   Grooved
	<b>Mintage, units</b> Up to 5,000   Up to 75,000



**Designers**  
Volodymyr Taran,  
Oleksandr Kharuk, Serhii Kharuk



**Engraver**  
Volodymyr Atamanchuk

Commemorative coins entitled “The Courage To Be. UA”, celebrate the bravery of the Ukrainian nation. Ukrainians stop tanks with their bare hands, participate in rallies and demonstrations, defend their self-identity and independence, rescue people and animals, day and night, and work tirelessly every day, under fire, without power and water for their future, for their life, for the prosperity of their country, and for victory – the victory of light over darkness, because Ukraine is a country of brave people. Each Ukrainian embodies courage!

**The obverse** of the silver coin features a stylized composition symbolizing the courage of the Ukrainian people to be on the cutting edge of global history and to create this history: against a smooth background is a blade; above is Ukraine’s small coat of arms, beneath, to the right are the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine), the coin’s issue year – 2023, the coin’s face value 10, and the graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴.

**The obverse** of the nickel silver coin features a stylized composition symbolizing the courage of the Ukrainian people to be on the cutting edge of global history and to create this history: against a matte background is a smooth blade; above is Ukraine’s small coat of arms; beneath, to the right are the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine), the coin’s issue year – 2023, the coin’s face value 5 and the graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴. To the left of the blade is the mint mark of the NBU’s Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** against a smooth background is a stylized composition that stands for the phenomenon of Ukrainian courage and heroic resistance: In the center of the composition is a star (the star is gold-plated on the silver coin), which started to shine thanks to the courage and determination of Ukrainians. This courage has destroyed the “set-in-stone” imperial ambitions of the enemy – ambitions that had long been cultivated and nurtured. In the center is the following legend: СМІЛИВІСТЬ БУТИ. UA (The Courage To Be. UA).

\* The edge of the coin is smooth with incised inscriptions indicating the metal and its fineness Ag 925, fine weight 31.1, and the mint mark of the NBU’s Banknote Printing and Minting Works. The coin has a decorative element – local gilding, with fine gold no less than 0.00009 g.

## Friendship and Brotherhood are the Greatest of Riches (a set of two commemorative coins)



Issued into circulation  
24 August 2023



Face value, UAH  
10 hryvnias and 10 zlotys



Metal  
Silver (Ag 999)



Weight, g  
31.1 (each)



Diameter, mm  
When two coins from a set are put  
together, they form a heart.



Quality  
Proof



Edge  
Smooth



Mintage, units  
Up to 10,000 units (5,000 for Ukraine  
and up to 5,000 units for Poland)



Designer  
Volodymyr Taran



Engraver  
Volodymyr Atamanchuk

This coin, which celebrates friendship and support between Ukrainians and Poles, is a part of a set entitled “Friendship and Brotherhood are the Greatest Wealth.” This set contains two silver commemorative coins: a 10-hryvnia one and a ten-zloty one.

The joint issue of the set is an expression of Poland’s solidarity with Ukraine in the face of Russia’s aggression against Ukraine. Poland is providing comprehensive assistance and support to Ukraine, which is fighting for freedom and independence, and is protecting the whole of Europe. Ukrainians are grateful to the Polish people for their sincerity, help, support and partnership.

**Obverse** of the 10-hryvnia coin: above, against the backdrop of a stylized blue-and-yellow flag (pad-printed) is Ukraine’s small coat of arms; above, to the left are the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine) and the mint mark of the NBU’s Banknote Printing and Minting Works; in the center are the following legends: the coin’s fine weight – 31.1g, the coin’s issue year – 2023, metal and its fineness – Ag 999; the coin’s face value – 10 and the graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴ are against the backdrop of a decorative composition that symbolizes the horrors of war.

**Obverse** of the 10-zloty coin: above, against the background of a stylized white-and-red flag of the Republic of Poland (pad-printed) is an image of an eagle, which is part of Poland’s official coat of arms; to the right are the coin’s issue year – 2023 and the semicircular legend RZECZPOSPOLITA POLSKA; the coin’s

face value – 10 and the graphic symbol of the Polish zloty zł are against the backdrop of a decorative composition symbolizing help, support and compassion; beneath is the mint mark of the NBU’s Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

The **obverses** of the coins that will be sold by the National Bank of Poland feature the mint mark of the Mennica Polska SA.

The **reverses** of the coins depict a figure symbolizing a Ukrainian (on the 10-hryvnia coin) and a figure symbolizing a Pole (on the 10-zloty coin) sitting at one table covered with a tablecloth and sharing bread and wine. This symbolic composition stands for the traditional beliefs and customs of both neighboring Slavic nations: To share bread means to live in peace and harmony, fraternize, and help someone in times of need. To break bread means to share one’s fate – the highest degree of affection and friendship. Sitting at the same table and drinking wine from the same cup means mutual love and respect. Drinking from one cup symbolizes unity and brotherhood.

When two coins from a set are put together, the ornament below forms a flower – a symbol of hope, life, and development.

The **reverses** also feature the following semicircular legends: ДРУЖБА ТА БРАТСТВО – НАЙБІЛЬШЕ БАГАТСТВО (Friendship and Brotherhood are the Greatest Wealth) (on the 10-hryvnia coin) and PRZYJAŹŃ I BRATERSTWO TO NAJWIĘKSZE BOGACTWO (on the 10-zloty coin).

## Ukraine's Military Intelligence

 Issued into circulation  
5 September 2023

 Face value, UAH  
5

 Metal  
Nickel silver

 Weight, g  
16.5

 Diameter, mm  
35.0

 Quality  
Special uncirculated

 Edge  
Grooved

 Mintage, units  
Up to 75,000



Designer  
Tetiana Baluta



Engraver  
Volodymyr Demianenko

This coin celebrates Ukraine's military intelligence – a high-tech and highly intellectual component of Ukraine's security and defense forces, which is successfully defending the national interests of Ukraine. On all sections of the front and in the enemy's rear, brave and self-sacrificing intelligence officers act professionally, striking terror into the enemy, and step by step, together with other units of the defense forces, liberating Ukrainian territories and bringing Ukraine's victory closer.

**Obverse:** in the center, on a matte background, is the emblem of the Main Intelligence Directorate of Ukraine's Defense Ministry; to the left of the emblem is Ukraine's small coat of arms; to the right of the emblem are the coin's face value 5 and the graphic

symbol of the hryvnia ₴; above is the semi-circular legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine); beneath is the legend: 2023 / ГОЛОВНЕ УПРАВЛІННЯ РОЗВІДКИ (2023/Main Intelligence Directorate); to the left of the emblem is the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** there are the circular legend: ВОЄННА РОЗВІДКА УКРАЇНИ (Ukraine's Military Intelligence) and the slogan of military intelligence officers in Latin: SAPIENS DOMINABITUR ASTRIS (a wise person will rule over the stars); in the center, against the backdrop of the surface of the globe is an owl that pierces an outline of the aggressor country with a sword (Ukraine's small coat of arms is depicted on the hilt of the sword).

## The Country of Superheroes. We Thank Our Energy Workers!



Issued into circulation  
26 September 2023



Face value, UAH  
5



Metal  
Nickel silver



Weight, g  
16.5



Diameter, mm  
35.0



Quality  
Special uncirculated



Edge  
Smooth with incised inscriptions\*



Mintage, units  
Up to 50,000



Designer  
Serhii Maidukov



Engraver  
Anatolii Demianenko

This coin celebrates Ukrainian energy workers, who not only ensure the country has power supply, but who also, in the face of enemy missile and drone attacks and danger to their lives and health, do the impossible every day and night – repair the country's energy infrastructure and restore power supplies to Ukrainians, enabling them to live and work. This requires courage and bravery, which Ukraine's warriors of light do indeed have!

The efforts of Ukrainian energy workers are invaluable, and all Ukrainians are deeply grateful to these workers for their professionalism, resilience, heroism, tireless work in extraordinary circumstances, and for their devotion to their homeland.

**Obverse:** against a smooth background, is a stylized composition that stands for Ukraine's energy system.

Its image is embodied in a symbolic sunflower blossom, each petal of which, like a lantern, illuminates Ukraine. It shines in the face of enemy missile attacks, and is like sunrise, which will definitely come even after the most terrible night. To the left of the sunflower is the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine), while to the right of it is Ukraine's small coat of arms.

**Reverse:** there is a stylized trident that is made to look like three shining slabs. When the coin is turned, the trident transforms into the letter "E," which is the first letter in the Ukrainian word ЕНЕРГЕТИКА (energy). This composition celebrates all Ukrainian energy workers – the country's warriors of light, who work tirelessly and selflessly, returning power and holding the energy front line.

\* The edge of the coin is smooth with incised inscriptions indicating the coin's face value – 5 hryvnias, the coin's issue year – 2023, and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

## 100 Years since the Establishment of the National Scientific Center – Hon. Prof. M. S. Bokarius Forensic Science Institute



Issued into circulation  
28 September 2023



Face value, UAH  
5



Metal  
Nickel silver



Weight, g  
16.5



Diameter, mm  
35.0



Quality  
Special uncirculated



Edge  
Grooved



Mintage, units  
30,000



Designers  
Tetiana Baluta,  
Sviatoslav Ivanenko



Engraver  
Volodymyr Atamanchuk

This coin celebrates the National Scientific Center – Hon. Prof. M. S. Bokarius Forensic Science Institute, which is one of the oldest state forensic facilities in Ukraine. Founded in 1923, the institute started off as the Forensic Science Office. Currently, this scientific and research center is carrying out an extremely important mission – it helps the state administer justice, while also making a significant contribution to the development of scientific research and forensic studies. In particular, the institute is contributing to our joint victory by collecting evidence of crimes committed by the aggressor country against Ukrainian civilians, conducting forensic examinations of destroyed objects, determining the amount of damage done, doing genetic research, and more.

**Obverse:** above are Ukraine's small coat of arms, the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine) and the coin's issue year – 2023; to the left is a fingerprint surrounded by a binary code, which stands for the digital processing

of information and data collection during a forensic investigation; to the right of the fingerprint is the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works; below the fingerprint is the following legend: СУМЛІННЕ СЛУЖІННЯ ІСТИНІ (a conscientious search for the truth); to the right is a portrait of Bokarius, who was one of the founders of forensic medicine and the study of crime in Ukraine; under the portrait are the coin's face value – 5 and the graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴.

**Reverse:** there is the logotype of the institute; there is also the following circular legend: НАЦІОНАЛЬНИЙ НАУКОВИЙ ЦЕНТР / ІНСТИТУТ СУДОВИХ ЕКСПЕРТИЗ (national scientific center / forensic science institute); in the center, to the right, is the legend ІМ. ЗАСЛ. ПРОФ. / М. С. БОКАРІУСА (Hon. Prof. / M. S. Bokarius); beneath, in the center, is the legend 100 / РОКІВ / ЗАСНУВАННЯ (100 / years since the / establishment).

## Ukrainian Borshch

	<b>Issued into circulation</b> 29 September 2023
	<b>Face value, UAH</b> 10   5
	<b>Metal and its fineness</b> Silver (Ag 925)   Nickel silver
	<b>Weight, g</b> 31.1   16.5
	<b>Diameter, mm</b> 38.6   35.0
	<b>Quality</b> Special uncirculated   Special uncirculated
	<b>Edge</b> Smooth with incised inscriptions*   Grooved
	<b>Mintage, units</b> 2,500   Up to 75,000



**Designer**  
Mykolai Kochubei



**Engraver**  
Volodymyr Atamanchuk

These coins celebrate a traditional Ukrainian first course – borshch. The world is full of culinary masterpieces, and one is borshch – the traditional Ukrainian dish that most uniquely captures the taste of Ukraine and its centuries-old culture. For Ukrainians, borshch is more than just a dish. Over time, Ukrainian borshch has been recognized worldwide as a symbol of Ukrainian cuisine and the embodiment of Ukrainian tradition. Borshch is liked across the globe, while its recipe is passed down from generation to generation.

In 2022, the culture of Ukrainian borshch cooking was entered on UNESCO's List of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Need of Urgent Safeguarding, which is intended to spread knowledge about Ukrainian cultural and gastronomic traditions throughout the world.

**Obverse** of the silver coin: above is Ukraine's small coat of arms; to the left of the coat of arms is the coin's issue year – 2023, while to the right of it are the semicircular legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine) and the coin's face value – 10 / ГРИВЕНЬ (10 / hryvnias); in the center, against the backdrop of a stove, is a Ukrainian woman cooking

borshch; the stove, which symbolizes the continuity of people's lives, warmth, coziness, well-being and family happiness, is decorated with a Trypillia-culture-based ornament, which stands for the centuries-old history and tradition of making borshch.

The **obverse** of the nickel silver coin repeats the general composition of the obverse of the silver coin: above is Ukraine's small coat of arms; to the left of the coat of arms is the coin's issue year, while to the right are the semicircular legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine) and the coin's face value 5 / ГРИВЕНЬ (5 / hryvnias); beneath is the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works; in the center is a lady cooking Ukrainian borshch against the backdrop of a stove decorated with a Trypillian-type ornament.

**Reverse** of the coins: there is a stylized composition that has a traditional Ukrainian flavor and depicts Ukrainian lifestyle – in the center is a bowl of borshch, which like a “stormy lake” symbolizes deeply rooted Ukrainian culture and traditions; the bowl has the legend БОРЩ (borshch) pad printed on it.

\* The edge of the coin is smooth with incised inscriptions indicating the metal and its fineness Ag 925, fine weight 31.1, and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works. Decorative element – pad printing.

## Female Defenders

	<b>Issued into circulation</b> 2 October 2023
	<b>Face value, UAH</b> 10   5
	<b>Metal and its fineness</b> Silver (Ag 925)   Nickel silver
	<b>Weight, g</b> 31.1   16.5
	<b>Diameter, mm</b> 38.6   35.0
	<b>Quality</b> Special uncirculated   Special uncirculated
	<b>Edge</b> Smooth with incised inscriptions*   Grooved
	<b>Mintage, units</b> Up to 2,500   Up to 50,000



**Designer**  
Maryna Kuts



**Engraver**  
Anatolii Demianenko

These coins celebrate Ukrainian women. Ukrainian women dispel misconceptions and maintain the defenses on the front and in the rear: they fight, work, feed, volunteer, pray, wait, love, protect our families and their homeland, bringing us all closer to victory.

**Obverse** of the silver coin: in the center, against a smooth background, is a symbolic composition that shows the bravery, love of freedom, sincerity, tenderness and care of Ukrainian women, who are embodied in the images of mother and protector. When the war started, Ukrainian women took on a huge responsibility – to protect their homeland, while at the same time being wives, keepers of the home, and mothers; above is the semicircular legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine); to the left of the legend are stylized patterns of Ukrainian embroidery, the coin's face value – 10 and the graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴; to the right of the legend are Ukraine's small coat of arms decorated with stylized patterns of Ukrainian embroidery and the coin's issue year – 2023.

The **obverse** of the nickel silver coin repeats the general composition of the obverse of the silver coin: in the center, against a smooth background, are symbolic images of a mother and a female defender; above is the semicircular legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine); to the left of the legend are the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works decorated with stylized patterns of Ukrainian embroidery, the coin's face value – 5 and the graphic symbol of the hryvnia; to the right of the legend are Ukraine's small coat of arms decorated with stylized patterns of Ukrainian embroidery and the coin's issue year – 2023.

**Reverse** of the coins: against a smooth background is a composition that stands for the femininity of Ukrainian women protectors: to the left are stylized waves of braided woman's hair that stand for the accumulation of life force that is needed for good health and spiritual development; to the right is an outline of a female figure wearing a plakhta (a traditional Ukrainian wrap skirt) that symbolizes the initiation of womanhood (decorative element – pad printing).

\* The edge of the coin is smooth with incised inscriptions indicating the metal and its fineness Ag 925, fine weight 31.1, and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works. Decorative element – pad printing.

## Ukrainian Language

	<b>Issued into circulation</b> 27 October 2023	29 November 2023
	<b>Face value, UAH</b> 10	5
	<b>Metal and its fineness</b> Silver (Ag 925)	Nickel silver
	<b>Weight, g</b> 31.1	16.5
	<b>Diameter, mm</b> 38.6	35.0
	<b>Quality</b> Special uncirculated	Special uncirculated
	<b>Edge</b> Smooth with incised inscriptions*	Grooved
	<b>Mintage, units</b> 5,000	Up to 75,000



**Designers**  
Volodymyr Taran,  
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**Engraver**  
Volodymyr Demianenko

This coin celebrates the Ukrainian language. Language is not only a communications means, but also a carrier of a rich cultural heritage, and is part of our culture's genetic code. It was language that at the most difficult moment in Ukraine's history became the foundation of our unity, and our weapon. Today, the spirit of freedom, which is impressing the whole world, is associated with the Ukrainian language.

**Obverse:** there are the stylized Ukrainian letter ĭ and a nightingale that stands for the melodiousness and mellifluousness of the Ukrainian language; in the center of the letter is Ukraine's small coat of arms; against a smooth background are the outlines of the letters from the Ukrainian alphabet; the outlines associatively resemble a nest, which is a symbol of home and a family's protective amulet; beneath on the silver coin are the coin's face value 10, the graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴,

and the coin's issue year – 2023; the nickel silver coin features the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine), the coin's face value 5 and the graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴, the coin's issue year – 2023, and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** there is a stylized composition that consists of the letters from the Ukrainian alphabet; the composition highlights the Ukrainian letters ґ, ї, є, і, which distinguish the Ukrainian language phonetically and graphically from other cultures that use the Cyrillic alphabet. The Ukrainian letters ь, к, р, а, і, н, и are also highlighted. Combined with the words НАША МОВА (our language), these letters make up the expression наша мова України (our Ukrainian language). The elements of the reverse composition emphasize the integration of the language into modern gadgets, digital devices, and information networks.

\*Edge: smooth with the incised inscription УКРАЇНА (Ukraine) and inscriptions indicating the metal and its fineness Ag 925, fine weight 31.1, and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works. The coin has a decorative element – local gilding, with fine gold no less than 0.0002 g.

## The Year of the Dragon



Issued into circulation  
24 November 2023



Face value, UAH  
5



Metal  
Nickel silver



Weight, g  
16.5



Diameter, mm  
35.0



Quality  
Special uncirculated



Edge  
Grooved



Mintage, units  
80,000



Designer  
Maryna Kuts



Engraver  
Volodymyr Demianenko

This coin celebrates one of the animals in the 12-year Chinese zodiac.

**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms, to the right of which is the semicircular legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine); against a smooth background are the 12 symbols of the Chinese zodiac depicted around a circle; in the center of the circle is a stylized clock with a hand pointing to the dragon – the symbol of 2024; above the hand is the legend 2024; beneath, to the left, is the semicircular legend 5 ГРИВЕНЬ (5 hryvnias); against a matt background are the symbols of each season, stylized to resemble a Ukrainian ornament: a snowflake (above), a flower (to the right), a berry (beneath), and a leaf (to the left); the mint mark

of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works is to the right, above the symbol of the tiger.

**Reverse:** there is a stylized image of a dragon – the symbol of 2024 according to the Chinese zodiac; the dragon is made to look like a triangle, which symbolizes masculinity and the element of fire; to the right, on the dragon, is the shoulder patch of the Ukrainian Armed Forces, which stands for the courage and strength of Ukrainian defenders. The dragon is circled by stylized symbols of each season: snowflakes (above, to the right), flowers (beneath, to the right), fruit (beneath, to the left), and tree branches (above, to the left).

## The Country of Superheroes. We Thank Our Volunteers!

 Issued into circulation  
4 December 2023

 Face value, UAH  
5

 Metal  
Nickel silver

 Weight, g  
16.5

 Diameter, mm  
35.0

 Quality  
Special uncirculated

 Edge  
Grooved

 Mintage, units  
Up to 50,000



**Designer**  
Oleksandr Reznikov



**Engravers**  
Volodymyr Atamanchuk,  
Volodymyr Demianenko

This coin celebrates Ukrainian volunteers. They donate money, organize fundraisers, purchase and deliver equipment, gear, food, medicines, and seek, and find ways to address the most pressing needs of Ukraine's defenders. With their involvement, care, perseverance and just a sincere smile, they strengthen the Ukrainian army and help Ukrainians effectively fight back against the enemy. Volunteers are real superheroes, whose inspired hearts know no fatigue.

**Obverse:** in the center, against a smooth background, is a stylized image of hands weaving a camouflage net, which symbolizes the meaning of volunteerism

as a form of assistance and comprehensive support and stand for the nation's strength and unity in times of extreme hardship; above is Ukraine's small coat of arms; beneath, to the left, is the following semicircular legend: the coin's issue year 2023 and УКРАЇНА (Ukraine); beneath, to the right, is the legend П'ЯТЬ ГРИВЕНЬ (five hryvnias); there is also the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** there is a stylized map of Ukraine in the form of a camouflage net as a symbol of a united Ukraine that is "intertwined" and united to achieve a common goal – victory.

## The Country of Superheroes. We Thank Our Railway Workers!

 Issued into circulation  
14 December 2023

 Face value, UAH  
5

 Metal  
Nickel silver

 Weight, g  
16.5

 Diameter, mm  
35.0

 Quality  
Special uncirculated

 Edge  
Grooved

 Mintage, units  
Up to 50,000



**Designers**  
Volodymyr Taran,  
Oleksandr Kharuk, Serhii Kharuk

This coin celebrates Ukrainian railway workers, who are deservedly called “iron” people. After all, in difficult times for the country, they have proved their professionalism and commitment to Ukraine. From the first days of the full-scale invasion, the railways became a “lifeline” for millions of Ukrainians who were forced to evacuate to safer regions, a steel route connecting Ukraine to its European partner countries, and an important logistical artery transporting supplies that are strategically important for Ukrainians and the country.

**Obverse:** there is a stylized trident, the contours of which are traced with railway tracks. In the center, against a smooth background, are the mink mark of the NBU’s Banknote Printing and Minting Works and the coin’s issue year 20 / 23; above are Ukraine’s

small coat of arms, the coin’s face value 5, and the graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴; to the left is the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine).

**Reverse:** there is a train stylized with the Ukrzaliznytsia logotype, which is breaking out of an encirclement; on both sides of the train is a symbolic composition with sharp points pointing at it; above is the legend ДЯКУЄМО ЗАЛІЗНИЧНИКАМ! (We thank our railway workers!). The reverse motif illustrates real events that happened at the beginning of the full-scale invasion, when Ukrainian railway workers were risking their lives to save people on the border of Kherson and Zaporizhzhia oblasts. The aggressor’s tanks tried to stop the evacuation of civilians, attempting to catch up with trains, or block their way.

## The Shchedryk Carol – The Carol of the Bells (a set of three silver coins in a box)



Issued into circulation  
21 December 2023



Face value of each coin, UAN  
10



Metal and its fineness  
Silver (Ag 999)



Weight of each coin, g  
31.1



Diameter of each coin, mm  
Bell-shaped



Quality  
Special uncirculated



Edge of each coin  
Smooth



Issue numbers of the set, units  
Up to 5,000



**Designers**  
Volodymyr Taran,  
Oleksandr Kharuk, Serhii Kharuk



**Engravers**  
Volodymyr Demianenko,  
Anatolii Demianenko

This set celebrates the world-famous Shchedryk Carol, which is a well-known Ukrainian national musical work composed by Mykola Leontovych. From 1919 through 1924, the Ukrainian Republican Choir, led by the outstanding conductor Oleksandr Koshyts, gave more than 600 concerts in world music centers, presenting Ukrainian culture. The gem of the choir's repertoire was the Shchedryk Carol, which on 5 October 1922 was performed in Carnegie Hall – the most prestigious concert venue in New York. Over time, the American conductor of Ukrainian origin Peter J. Wilhousky wrote a new text of the Shchedryk Carol and adapted its melody for symphony orchestras. This is how the Carol of the Bells was created, which, thanks to its melody, resembling the jingling of bells, has become one of the most popular Christmas songs worldwide.

**Obverses:** beneath are the coins' issue year 20 / 23, Ukraine's small coat of arms, the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine), the face value 10 and the graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴; two coins feature lines from the Shchedryk Carol and the Carol of the Bells in Ukrainian and English; above the legends are the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works, the fine weight of each coin and the metal and its fineness Ag 999 / 31.1; in the center

of two coins are angels symbolizing purity, strength, God's help, protection, and the light of Christmas holidays; above the angels are the legends ТРИУМФ "ЩЕДРИКА" and TRIUMPHANT CAROL OF THE BELLS; the central coin depicts a nativity scene with a Christmas star (with local gilding as a decorative element) – a cultural phenomenon that preserves deep historical traditions in Ukraine.

**Reverses:** the reverses of two coins bear stylized flags of Ukraine and the United States (with pad printing as a decorative element) and compositions consisting of historical religious buildings in Kyiv and New York (beneath); there is also a golden lace background with bells, symbolizing the filling of space with the magical sounds of the carol (with local gilding as a decorative element); the central coin features a stylized composition of a choir performing the carol under the direction of a conductor; above the choir is a silhouette of a swallow – the central character of the carol; under the composition is sheet music showing the initial notes of the melody; beneath are the following legends: ПЕРШЕ ВИКОНАННЯ "ЩЕДРИКА" У КАРНЕГІ-ХОЛІ ПІД ОРУДОЮ / ДИРИГЕНТА ОЛЕКСАНДРА КОШИЦЯ / 1922 (the first performance of the Shchedryk Carol in Carnegie Hall led by the conductor Oleksandr Koshyts / 1922).

Decorative elements: local gilding (the fine gold of the set is no less than 0.003 g), pad printing, and cubic zirconia inserts 1.5 mm in diameter.

## Archangel Michael



Issued into circulation  
26 December 2023



Face value, UAH  
10



Metal and its fineness  
Silver (Ag 999)



Fine weight, g  
31.1



Diameter, mm  
38.6



Quality  
Special uncirculated



Edge  
Smooth with incised inscriptions\*



Mintage, units  
Up to 10,000



Designers  
Volodymyr Taran,  
Oleksandr Kharuk, Serhii Kharuk

This coin celebrates Archangel Michael – one of the most revered biblical characters, who is called the chief commander of the Heavenly Host. Archangel Michael is a steadfast fighter against evil forces, defender of the faith, and the patron of soldiers who fight for just causes and protect the good. Archangel Michael is the heavenly protector of Ukrainian forces. Archangel Michael has been revered since the time of the Kyiv Rus State – he was a symbol of the heavenly protection of the power of Kyiv Rus princes. Later on, this reverence was manifested not only in toponyms – in the names of church buildings, but also in heraldry – on the coats of arms of Kyiv, the Voivodship of Kyiv, and the Province of Kyiv. Today, his image is found in the attributes of Ukrainian paratroopers, embodying once again the fight against evil.

**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms, below which is the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine); against

the background of a pattern made of stylized Old Rus Kyiv-type hryvnias – used as a unit of weight and counting and a monetary unit – is a stylized wreath made of laurel leaves; at the bottom of the coin is its face value 10 and the graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴; in the center, in an octagonal cartouche, against a smooth background, is the NBU logotype, below which is the following legend: НАЦІОНАЛЬНИЙ / БАНК УКРАЇНИ / 2023 (National / Bank of Ukraine / 2023).

**Reverse:** against a smooth backdrop, is an image of Archangel Michael (decorative element – local gilding); there is a circular legend, reading: ...ЗА НАС І ДУШІ ПРАВЕДНИХ, І СИЛА АРХІСТРАТИГА МИХАЇЛА (...the souls of the righteous and the power of Archangel Michael are with us) (from the Haidamaky poem by Taras Shevchenko); the lines are written in ChebanykSansN.2017 © VasyI/Chebanyk script.

\*Edge: smooth with incised inscriptions indicating the metal and its fineness Ag 999 and fine weight 31.1; there is also the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

Decorative element: local gilding, fine gold no less than 0.0001 g.

## St. Volodymyr's Cathedral in Kyiv (a two-coin set in a box)



Issued into circulation  
27 December 2023



Face value of each coin, UAN  
10



Metal and its fineness  
Silver (Ag 925)



Weight of each coin, g  
31.1



Diameter of each coin, mm  
38.6



Quality  
Special uncirculated



Edge of each coin  
Smooth with incised inscriptions\*



Issue numbers of the set, units  
2,500



**Designers**  
Volodymyr Taran,  
Oleksandr Kharuk, Serhii Kharuk



**Engravers**  
Anatolii Demianenko,  
Roman Chaikovskiy

This set celebrates St. Volodymyr's Cathedral – an architectural gem of Kyiv that is of national importance. The cathedral, which is built in the Neo-Byzantine style, is notable both for its history and interior paintings, which are true masterpieces of art. A lot of money was donated for the construction of the cathedral, which was built over a period of 20 years – from 1862 until 1882. For more than 10 years, work was carried out on the interior decoration of the cathedral, the main treasures of which are its unique paintings. These paintings have made the cathedral a cultural monument. The paintings depict not only the images of saints, but also historical scenes: the baptism of Prince Volodymyr, the baptism of Kyiv residents, as well as the portraits of historical figures.

**Obverses:** above are the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine) and Ukraine's small coat of arms; beneath are the coins' face value 10, the graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴ and the coins' issue year 2023; in the center are fragments of the cathedral's central gates featuring Princess Olha and Prince Volodymyr the Great; to the left and right of the gates are the seraphim that are depicted on the central dome of the cathedral (pad-printed).

**Reverses:** in the center is St. Volodymyr's Cathedral / the Virgin Mary with a baby above an iconostasis (with a laser matt finish); on both sides are fragments of the cathedral's column and arch paintings; beneath is the following legend: ВОЛОДИМИРСЬКИЙ / СОБОР / 1862–1882 (St. Volodymyr's Cathedral / 1862–1882).

\* The edges of the coins are smooth with incised inscriptions indicating the metal and its fineness Ag 925, fine weight 31.1, and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

Decorative elements: local gilding (the fine gold of the set is no less than 0.001 g), pad printing, laser matt finish.

## Commemorative Coins Issued in 2023

N°	Name	Series	Metal	Face value	Issue date
1	Vasyl Krychevskiy	Outstanding Personalities of Ukraine	Nickel silver	2 hryvnias	24 January 2023
2	Chornobyl. Revival. The Eurasian Lynx	Ukrainian Flora and Fauna	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	26 April 2023
3	Pavlo Skoropadskiy	Outstanding Personalities of Ukraine	Nickel silver	2 hryvnias	30 May 2023
4	Born in Ukraine	Other Coins	Silver (Ag 925)	5 hryvnias	1 June 2023
5	Born in Ukraine	Other Coins	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	1 June 2023
6	The Courage To Be. UA	My Immortal Ukraine	Silver (Ag 925)	10 hryvnias	23 August 2023
7	The Courage To Be. UA	My Immortal Ukraine	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	23 August 2023
8	Friendship and Brotherhood are the Greatest of Riches (a set of two commemorative coins)	My Immortal Ukraine	Silver (Ag 999)	10 hryvnias	24 August 2023
9	Ukraine's Military Intelligence	Other Coins	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	5 September 2023
10	The Country of Superheroes. We Thank Our Energy Workers!	My Immortal Ukraine	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	26 September 2023
11	100 Years since the Establishment of the National Scientific Center – Hon. Prof. M. S. Bokarius Forensic Science Institute	Other Coins	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	28 September 2023
12	Ukrainian Borshch	Ukrainian Heritage	Silver (Ag 925)	10 hryvnias	29 September 2023
13	Ukrainian Borshch	Ukrainian Heritage	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	29 September 2023
14	Female Defenders	My Immortal Ukraine	Silver (Ag 925)	10 hryvnias	2 October 2023
15	Female Defenders	My Immortal Ukraine	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	2 October 2023
16	Ukrainian Language	Ukrainian Spiritual Treasures	Silver (Ag 925)	10 hryvnias	27 October 2023
17	The Year of the Dragon	The Oriental Calendar	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	24 November 2023
18	Ukrainian Language	Ukrainian Spiritual Treasures	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	29 November 2023

N°	Name	Series	Metal	Face value	Issue date
19	The Country of Superheroes. We Thank Our Volunteers!	My Immortal Ukraine	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	4 December 2023
20	The Country of Superheroes. We Thank Our Railway Workers!	My Immortal Ukraine	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	14 December 2023
21	The Shchedryk Carol – The Carol of the Bells (a set of three silver coins in a box)	Ukrainian Heritage	Silver (Ag 999)	30 hryvnias	21 December 2023
22	Archangel Michael	Other Coins	Silver (Ag 999)	10 hryvnias	26 December 2023
23	St. Volodymyr's Cathedral in Kyiv (a two-coin set in a box)	Architectural Monuments of Ukraine	Silver (Ag 925)	20 hryvnias	27 December 2023



# Souvenir Products Issued in 2023

**WE WILL NOT FORGET! WE WILL NOT FORGIVE! (commemorative banknote in souvenir packaging)**



Банкотно-монетний двір Banknote Printing and Minting Works

Issued into circulation  
23 February 2023

Face value  
20

Banknote size, mm  
80x165

Issue numbers, units  
200,000

Designer  
Volodymyr Taran

This banknote celebrates the resilience, indomitability, heroism and fortitude that Ukrainians show in their struggle against the Russian invaders.

On 24 February 2022, Russia launched a full-scale invasion of Ukraine by declaring a “special military operation.” The actions of the aggressor country, which is brutally killing large numbers of civilians, mercilessly shelling and launching airstrikes on the country and destroying infrastructure and populated areas, are shocking the entire civilized world!

Ukraine is defending its independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity and the right to life! Its victory will be a victory of goodness, justice and democracy, and a victory of light over darkness!

This 20-hryvnia banknote, which was designed in 2023, bears the signature of Andriy Pyshnyy, Governor of the National Bank of Ukraine. It has the series 3C, with serial numbers from 0000001 to 0300000. The banknote is sized 80 x 165 mm, and has security features that are incorporated in other circulating banknotes and additional optically variable security features.

The main image of the front of the note depicts Ukrainian soldiers who are hoisting a Ukrainian state flag (photo entitled “Ukrainian soldiers are hoisting a flag” by Oleksandr Smirnov) against the backdrop of fragments of a map of Ukraine and the flags of the countries that support Ukraine.

The main image of the back of the note is a stylized composition that symbolizes the physical and mental suffering of Ukrainians under occupation – hands tied behind a person’s back, against the background of crumpled cloth, behind which a figure with a bullet wound in the form of a poppy is suggested (designed by Serhii Mishakin); on both sides of the cloth are stylized wings made from candle flames; above, against the backdrop of the outlines of destroyed houses is a crown of thorns that stands for martyrdom; to the right of the crown is a security feature – a colored composition consisting of a guelder rose and an anti-tank hedgehog.

## WE WILL NOT FORGET! WE WILL NOT FORGIVE! (commemorative banknote in an envelope)



Issued into circulation  
23 February 2023



Face value  
20



Banknote size, mm  
80x165



Issue numbers, units  
99,952



Designer  
Volodymyr Taran

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## Volnovakha – City of Heroes (commemorative medal)

	<b>Issue date</b> 28 February 2023
	<b>Face value, UAH</b> –
	<b>Metal</b> Nickel silver
	<b>Weight, g</b> 16.5
	<b>Diameter, mm</b> 35.0
	<b>Quality</b> Special uncirculated
	<b>Edge</b> Smooth
	<b>Issue numbers, units</b> Up to 100,000



**Designer**  
Maryna Kuts



**Engraver**  
Volodymyr Demianenko



**Computer-aided design**  
Yurii Lukianov

This medal celebrates the heroic deeds, widespread acts of heroism and resilience that residents of Volnovakha displayed during the defense of the city from Russian attacks.

Volnovakha has been at war since May 2014, while during the full-scale invasion the city found itself on the front line, where fierce fighting was taking place.

The city, which lies on important routes connecting Mariupol with Donetsk and with Zaporizhzhia, was a tasty morsel for the invaders. Relentless airstrikes and artillery shelling destroyed all of the city's infrastructure, leaving the city practically wiped off the map, and occupied.

**Obverse:** above is the semicircular legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine), under which are Ukraine's small coat of arms and the medal's issue year – 2023 (vertical, against the backdrop of a map); in the center, against a smooth background, is the legend МІСТО / ВОЛНОВАХА /

ГЕРОЇВ (city / Volnovakha / heroes); in the word Volnovakha, the Ukrainian letter "н" is replaced with a fragment of railway tracks, which reach Ukraine's small coat of arms and stands for the city's desire to return home, to Ukraine; there are also stylized fragments of maps of Donetsk (above) and Mariupol (below); beneath, to the right is the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** there is the following stylized composition: an image of a Ukrainian soldier (to the left) and stylized elements of Volnovakha's coat of arms: against the backdrop of a curved line (symbolizing Volnovakha's location in one of the highest places of the Azov Upland) and a wavy line with fountains (standing for the Volnovakha River, the name of which is derived from the large number of springs in the area), are a flying bird and its reflection on a smooth background, symbolizing people's confidence that the city will be liberated.

## Okhtyrka – City of Heroes (commemorative medal)

	<b>Issue date</b> 28 February 2023
	<b>Face value, UAH</b> –
	<b>Metal</b> Nickel silver
	<b>Weight, g</b> 16.5
	<b>Diameter, mm</b> 35.0
	<b>Quality</b> Special uncirculated
	<b>Edge</b> Smooth
	<b>Issue numbers, units</b> Up to 100,000



**Designer**  
Maryna Kuts



**Computer-aided design**  
Yurii Lukianov

This medal celebrates a city that bore the brunt of the attack and was surrounded by Russian troops from the first days of the full-scale invasion. Despite suffering numerous airstrikes and missile attacks, the city put up such fierce and heroic resistance that the enemy failed to capture it.

Okhtyrka withstood assault and became an impregnable outpost against the further advance of the enemy army into Sloboda Ukraine (northeast Ukraine), and deeper into the country.

Despite intense pressure from the enemy and the destruction of 80% of the city's infrastructure, people without heat, water and electricity found the strength again and again to clear the city of the debris from bombings and bring its liberation closer.

**Obverse:** above, against the background of a stylized shining sun with bolts of lightning (symbolizing punishment for the invaders), is Ukraine's small coat of arms, under

which are a bird that stands for liberation and the following semicircular legends: УКРАЇНА (Ukraine) (to the left) and ОХТИРКА (Okhtyrka) (to the right); beneath is a stylized composition: the city being bombed by the enemy; to the right is a track of a missile hitting the city council; to the left is a residential building behind which a child is playing; against the backdrop of the composition is the legend 2023 / МІСТО / ГЕРОЇВ (2023 / city / of heroes); to the right is the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** against a smooth background is a stylized composition that stands for the present as seen through the prism of the novel "Tiger Trappers" written by an author who was born in Okhtyrka; the novel praises courage and the ability to win: a Ukrainian soldier is a modern trapper of predators; above the soldier is a shining sun; there are the following legends: СМІЛИВІ (courageous people), (vertical, to the left), ЗАВЖДИ (always) (above) МАЮТЬ (have) (to the right) ЩАСТЯ (happiness) (beneath).

## Mykolaiv – City of Heroes (commemorative medal)



Issue date  
28 March 2023



Face value, UAH  
–



Metal  
Nickel silver



Weight, g  
16.5



Diameter, mm  
35.0



Quality  
Special uncirculated



Edge  
Smooth



Issue numbers, units  
Up to 100,000



Designer  
Nataliia Fandikova



Engravers  
Volodymyr Atamanchuk,  
Volodymyr Demianenko



Computer-aided  
design  
Yurii Lukianov

This medal celebrates the heroic deeds and resilience of the residents of the city of ships, Mykolaiv, which became a stronghold blocking the path of the Russian invaders in southern Ukraine.

From the first days of the full-scale invasion, Russian troops tried to capture Mykolaiv. After several unsuccessful assaults, encirclement attempts and attempts to take control of Mykolaiv Airport and Kulbakyne Aerodrome, the invaders began to bombard and shell the city, shattering people's lives and damaging the city – many buildings were not only damaged, but completely destroyed.

By joining efforts and supporting each other, the residents are holding out, defending and restoring their city. In these difficult times, they are also protecting the city's living landmark – Mykolaiv Zoo.

**Obverse:** above is the legend 2023 / УКРАЇНА (2023 / Ukraine); beneath is Ukraine's small coat of arms; in the

center, against the backdrop of a stylized map of the city, are the following lines from Lina Kostenko's historical novel "Berestechko": Я ЗНАЮ ГРАМОТУ СВОБОДИ – / ЇЇ ПІДПISУЮТЬ МЕЧІ! / ЛІНА КОСТЕНКО (I KNOW THE CHARTER OF FREEDOM – / IT IS SIGNED WITH SWORDS) / LINA KOSTENKO; there is a stylized composition that shows that Mykolaiv is a city of shipbuilding and a seaport; to the right is the building of Mykolaiv Shipbuilding Museum (the only one of its kind in Ukraine); to the left is the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** against a smooth background is the legend МІКОЛАЇВ / МІСТО ГЕРОЇВ (Mykolaiv / City of Heroes), which divides the medal into two halves; in the upper half, against a smooth background, is a composition symbolizing people's resistance to Russian occupation in the face of the considerable damage suffered by the city; the lower half depicts a stylized view of the city as seen in perspective; it shows the city's historical and archeological monuments.

## Chernihiv – City of Heroes (commemorative medal)



Issue date  
28 March 2023



Face value, UAH  
–



Metal  
Nickel silver



Weight, g  
16,5



Diameter, mm  
35,0



Quality  
Special uncirculated



Edge  
Smooth



Issue numbers, units  
Up to 100,000



Designer  
Nataliia Fandikova



Engravers  
Anatolii Demianenko,  
Sviatoslav Ivanenko



Computer-aided  
design  
Yurii Lukianov

This medal celebrates the heroic deeds, mass heroism and resilience of the residents of Chernihiv, which was continually shelled from the first hours of the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

Chernihiv – one of the oldest cities of Ukraine – was one of the first places which enemy troops tried to capture. But thanks to the joint resistance of all defense units, the invaders failed to seize the city.

After unsuccessful attempts to capture Chernihiv, Russian forces blew up bridges and began to raze the city to the ground – shelling damaged a great deal of civilian infrastructure, including schools and kindergartens, while also completely destroying many residential buildings. For a long time, Chernihiv had no electricity, water, heat and gas supply. There were also food shortages, but city residents stayed strong thanks to their joint efforts and mutual support.

**Obverse:** above is the legend 2023 / УКРАЇНА (2023 / Ukraine); beneath is Ukraine's small coat of arms; in the center, against the backdrop of a stylized map of the city, are the following lines from Lina Kostenko's poetry: ШМАТОК ЗЕМЛІ, ТИ ЗВЕШЬСЯ УКРАЇНОЮ. / ТИ БУВ ДО НАС. ТИ БУДЕШ ПІСЛЯ НАС. / ЛІНА КОСТЕНКО (A PIECE OF LAND, YOU ARE CALLED UKRAINE. / YOU EXISTED BEFORE US. AND YOU WILL CONTINUE TO EXIST ONCE WE ARE GONE. / LINA KOSTENKO); there is also a stylized composition made of historical and religious monuments; to the left is the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** against a smooth background is the legend ЧЕРНІГІВ / МІСТО ГЕРОЇВ (Chernihiv / City of Heroes), which divides the medal into two halves; in the upper half, against a smooth background, is a composition symbolizing people's resistance to Russian occupation in the face of the damage suffered by the city; the lower half depicts a stylized view of the city's historical monuments as seen in perspective.

## The Support Forces of Ukraine's Armed Forces (a roll of 25 circulation commemorative coins)



Issue date  
19 May 2023



Face value of the roll, UAN  
250



Material  
Nickel-electroplated  
zinc-based alloy



Diameter (of each coin), mm  
23.5



Quality (of each coin)  
Uncirculated



Edge (of each coin)  
Grooved



Issue numbers, units  
20,000



Designers  
Volodymyr Demianenko,  
Olha Kovalenko



Engravers  
Volodymyr Demianenko,  
Volodymyr Atamanchuk

This roll celebrates the Support Forces of Ukraine's Armed Forces – the type of forces responsible for providing, in a timely manner, engineering support, setting up radiation, chemical and biological defenses, as well as for providing topographic and hydrometeorological support for troops.

The rolls' souvenir packaging bears the legend БАНКОТНО-МОНЕТНИЙ ДВІР НБУ (the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works), the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works, the legend / ОБІГОВА ПАМ'ЯТНА МОНЕТА, СИЛИ ПІДТРИМКИ / ЗСУ (circulation commemorative coin, Support Forces / Ukraine's Armed Forces); it also features face value – 250, the graphic symbol of the hryvnia and the legend 25 ШТУК (25 units); there are

also an emblem of the Support Forces of Ukraine's Armed Forces and a stylized image of an ancient defense fortification – a palisade.

**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms; in the center, surrounded by an old Rus ornament is the following semicircular legend: УКРАЇНА / 10 / ГРИВЕНЬ (Ukraine / 10 / hryvnias); against the backdrop of the ornament are the coins' issue year – 2023 (beneath) and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works (to the right).

**Reverse:** there is the emblem of the Support Forces of Ukraine's Armed Forces; above is the following circular legend: СИЛИ ПІДТРИМКИ ЗСУ – ЗАВЖДИ ПОРУЧ (The Support Forces of Ukraine's Armed Forces are always standing by).

## The Mariupol Drama Theater – a Place of Unspeakable Pain (commemorative medal)

	<b>Issue date</b> 30 May 2023
	<b>Face value, UAH</b> –
	<b>Metal</b> Nickel silver
	<b>Weight, g</b> 16.5
	<b>Diameter, mm</b> 35.0
	<b>Quality</b> Special uncirculated
	<b>Edge</b> Smooth
	<b>Mintage, units</b> 30,000



**Designers**  
Volodymyr Taran,  
Oleksandr Kharuk, Serhii Kharuk



**Engravers**  
Sviatoslav Ivanenko,  
Volodymyr Demianenko

This medal commemorates one of the most tragic events in the history of the brutal crimes committed by the Russian army against civilians in Ukraine. The crime was committed at the Mariupol Drama Theater, which in the spring of 2022 was filled not with an audience, but with hundreds of Mariupol residents who were hiding there from Russian bombs and shelling. But the enemy, disregarding the laws of war, purposefully dropped an extremely powerful aerial bomb on the theater on 16 March, killing hundreds of people – mostly women, children and the elderly – who were buried under the rubble of the theater. We will not forget!

**Obverse:** against a smooth background are Ukraine's small coat of arms, the vertical legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine) (beneath, to the left) and the medal's issue year – 20 / 23 (to the right); in the center against the smooth background of the outline of the Virgin Mary, holding

an omphorion in her outstretched arms, is a non-canonical image of the Virgin, who is covering her face with her hands out of grief and despair; tears, which become bigger towards the bottom, are flowing from under her palms; above, on both sides of the figure, against a matt background symbolizing the damage done to the city, are the following legends: МІСТО (city) (to the left) МАРІЇ (of Mariia) (to the right); beneath, to the right is the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** there is the following stylized composition: against a smooth background symbolizing the explosion of an aerial bomb, the theater building is shown as a target; in front of the facades of the theater the word "CHILDREN" is written in large letters in Russian; there are the following semicircular legends: МАРИУПОЛЬСЬКИЙ (Mariupol) (above, to the left) and ДРАМАТЕАТР (Drama Theater) (beneath, to the right).

## Air Defenses – Ukraine’s Reliable Shield (a roll of 25 circulation commemorative coins)



Issue date  
4 August 2023



Face value of the roll, UAN  
250



Material  
Nickel-electroplated  
zinc-based alloy



Diameter (of each coin), mm  
23.5



Quality (of each coin)  
Uncirculated



Edge (of each coin)  
Grooved



Issue numbers, units  
20,000



Designers  
Tetiana Baluta,  
Volodymyr Demianenko



Engraver  
Volodymyr Demianenko

This roll celebrates Ukraine’s air defenses. Today, Ukraine’s air defenses play an extremely important role in ensuring the security of Ukrainian military and civilian facilities, while also being an essential component of the country’s national security system.

Every day since the beginning of the full-scale invasion of Ukraine, the air defense forces – which comprise the anti-aircraft missile troops of the Ukrainian Air Force, Ground Forces and Navy; the aviation capabilities and airspace surveillance units of the Ukrainian Air Force; and other air defense units of Ukraine’s Defense Forces – have faithfully and heroically repelled attacks by enemy missiles and drones.

The rolls’ souvenir packaging bears the legend БАНКОТНО-МОНЕТНИЙ ДВІР НБУ (the NBU’s Banknote Printing and Minting Works), the mint mark of the NBU’s Banknote Printing and Minting Works,

the legend / ОБІГОВА ПАМ’ЯТНА МОНЕТА / ППО – / НАДІЙНИЙ ЩИТ/УКРАЇНИ (circulation commemorative coin, Air Defenses – / Ukraine’s Reliable / Shield); it also features an image of a Patriot launcher, the rolls’ face value – 250, the graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴ and the legend 25 ШТУК (25 units).

**Obverse:** above is Ukraine’s small coat of arms; in the center, surrounded by an old Rus ornament is the following semicircular legend: УКРАЇНА / 10 / ГРИВЕНЬ (Ukraine / 10 / hryvnias); against the backdrop of the ornament are the coins’ issue year – 2023 (beneath) and the mint mark of the NBU’s Banknote Printing and Minting Works (to the right).

**Reverse:** there are an image of a Patriot launcher and a stylized image of a radar detecting a target; above is the following circular legend: ППО – НАДІЙНИЙ ЩИТ УКРАЇНИ (Air Defenses – Ukraine’s Reliable Shield).

## United for Justice (commemorative medal)

 Issue date  
28 September 2023

 Face value, UAH  
–

 Metal  
Nickel silver

 Weight, g  
16.5

 Diameter, mm  
35.0

 Quality  
Special uncirculated

 Edge  
Smooth

 Mintage, units  
Up to 20,000



Designer  
Oleksandra Kuchynska

This medal celebrates the United for Justice International Conference, which brought together participants from different countries to discuss steps to hold Russia fully to account for all of its international crimes. After all, only a strict yet fair punishment of the aggressor can prevent wars of aggression in the future, and guarantee the restoration and preservation of peace in Europe and worldwide.

**Obverse:** there is a stylized composition that shows that justice for Ukraine means justice and security across the globe: in the center of the composition is a map of Ukraine, featuring a shield with an image of the Earth

on it; behind the shield are the scales of justice; above are Ukraine's small coat of arms and the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine); beneath is the coin's issue year – 2023.

**Reverse:** against a smooth background are the following legends: the name of the conference in Ukrainian and English – ОБ'ЄДНАНІ ЗАРАДИ СПРАВЕДЛИВОСТІ / UNITED FOR JUSTICE (circular), the name of the venue in Ukrainian and English – ЛЬВІВ • LVIV, and the year when the conference was held – 2023; in the center is the hashtag #U4J.

## The Antonov Bridge (a roll of 25 circulation commemorative coins)



**Issue date**  
10 November 2023



**Face value of the roll, UAN**  
250



**Material**  
Nickel-electroplated  
zinc-based alloy



**Diameter (of each coin), mm**  
23.5



**Quality (of each coin)**  
Uncirculated



**Edge (of each coin)**  
Grooved



**Issue numbers, units**  
20,000



**Designers**  
Volodymyr Taran, Oleksandr Kharuk,  
Serhii Kharuk, Volodymyr Demianenko



**Engraver**  
Volodymyr Demianenko

This roll celebrates the Antonov Bridge, the most notable bridge in Ukraine during the war, which is one of the three key crossings of the Dnipro River in Kherson oblast, and is a strategically important object for the region and the country as a whole.

The rolls' souvenir packaging bears the following legend: БАНКНОТНО-МОНЕТНИЙ ДВІР НБУ (the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works), the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works, the legend / ОБІГОВА ПАМ'ЯТНА МОНЕТА, АНТОНІВСЬКИЙ МІСТ / 25 ШТУК (circulation commemorative coin, 2 the Antonov Bridge / 25 units); it also features the rolls' face value – 250, graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴, and an image of the Antonov Bridge

above the waves of the Dnipro River and a stylized image of military equipment.

**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms; in the center, surrounded by an old Rus ornament is the following semicircular legend: УКРАЇНА / 10 / ГРИВЕНЬ (Ukraine / 10 / hryvnias); against the backdrop of the ornament are the coins' issue year – 2023 (beneath) and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works (to the right).

**Reverse:** there is a stylized image of the Antonov Bridge and the Dnipro River from a bird's eye view, and traffic interchanges at both ends of the bridge, which make the bridge interesting and original; above is the legend АНТОНІВСЬКИЙ МІСТ (the Antonov Bridge).

## The Sergeant Corps (commemorative medal)

 Issue date  
17 November 2023

 Face value, UAH  
–

 Metal  
Nickel silver

 Weight, g  
16.5

 Diameter, mm  
35.0

 Quality  
Special uncirculated

 Edge  
Smooth

 Mintage, units  
Up to 200,000



**Designers**  
Oleksandr Kosynskyi (concept creator),  
Oleksii Rudenko (sketch creator)



**Design creators**  
Tetiana Baluta,  
Oleksandra Kuchynska



**Engraver**  
Volodymyr Demianenko

This medal celebrates the non-commissioned officers of Ukraine's Armed Forces. These officers have proved their effectiveness and importance since the Russo-Ukrainian war broke out in 2014, and have been contributing to the Ukrainian army's successful repelling of the Russian occupation forces since the full-scale invasion began on 24 February 2022. This medal also celebrates the heroic deeds of these officers.

**Obverse:** against a smooth background, is the slogan of Ukrainian non-commissioned officers СЛІДУЙ ЗА МНОЮ! РОБИ ЯК Я! (Follow me! Do as I do!); in the center is a Ukrainian leader sergeant who is leading soldiers into battle; above are Ukraine's small coat of arms, the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine), and the medal's

issue year 2023; to the left of the sergeant is the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** above is the following semicircular legend: СЕРЖАНТСЬКИЙ КОРПУС ЗБРОЙНИХ СИЛ УКРАЇНИ (the Sergeant Corps of Ukraine's Armed Forces); below is the following semicircular legend: ЧЕСТЬ, ВІДДАНІСТЬ, ВІДПОВІДАЛЬНІСТЬ, ПРОФЕСІОНАЛІЗМ (Honesty, Commitment, Responsibility and Professionalism), which is the motto of non-commissioned officers of Ukraine's Armed Forces; in the center, against a smooth background, is the emblem of the Sergeant Corps of Ukraine's Armed Forces and the stylized trident that is used by Ukraine's Armed Forces.

## The Joint Forces Command of Ukraine's Armed Forces (a roll of 25 circulation commemorative coins)



**Issue date**  
6 December 2023



**Face value of the roll, UAN**  
250



**Material**  
Nickel-electroplated  
zinc-based alloy



**Diameter (of each coin), mm**  
23.5



**Quality (of each coin)**  
Uncirculated



**Edge (of each coin)**  
Grooved



**Issue numbers, units**  
20,000



**Designers**  
Tetiana Baluta,  
Volodymyr Demianenko



**Engraver**  
Volodymyr Demianenko

This roll celebrates a separate strategic-level military command body for all cross-branch and interagency groups of military forces. This body is charged with conducting joint operations on the instructions of the Supreme Commander-in-Chief and the General Staff of Ukraine's Armed Forces.'

The rolls' souvenir packaging bears the legend БАНКНОТНО-МОНЕТНИЙ ДВІР НБУ (the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works), the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works, the legend / ОБІГОВА ПАМ'ЯТНА МОНЕТА / КОМАНДУВАННЯ / ОБ'ЄДНАНИХ СИЛ / ЗСУ (circulation commemorative coin, Joint Forces Command of Ukraine's Armed Forces); it also features the emblem of the Joint Forces Command of Ukraine's Armed Forces,

the rolls' face value – 250, graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴, and the legend 25 ШТУК (25 units).

Obverse: above is Ukraine's small coat of arms; in the center, surrounded by an old Rus ornament, is the following semicircular legend: УКРАЇНА / 10 / ГРИВЕНЬ (Ukraine/10/hryvnias); against the backdrop of the ornament are the coins' issue year – 2023 (beneath) and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works (to the right).

Reverse: there is the emblem of the Joint Forces Command of Ukraine's Armed Forces; there is the following circular legend: РАЗОМ ПЕРЕМОЖЕМО! (Together we will win) (above), and КОМАНДУВАННЯ ОБ'ЄДНАНИХ СИЛ ЗСУ (Joint Forces Command of Ukraine's Armed Forces) (beneath).

## Souvenir Products Issued in 2023

N°	Name	Metal	Face value	Issue date
1	WE WILL NOT FORGET! WE WILL NOT FORGIVE! (commemorative banknote in souvenir packaging)	–	20 hryvnias	23 February 2023
2	WE WILL NOT FORGET! WE WILL NOT FORGIVE! (commemorative banknote in an envelope)	–	20 hryvnias	23 February 2023
3	Volnovakha – City of Heroes (commemorative medal)	Nickel silver	–	28 February 2023
4	Okhtyrka – City of Heroes (commemorative medal)	Nickel silver	–	28 February 2023
5	Mykolaiv – City of Heroes (commemorative medal)	Nickel silver	–	28 March 2023
6	Chernihiv – City of Heroes (commemorative medal)	Nickel silver	–	28 March 2023
7	The Support Forces of Ukraine’s Armed Forces (a roll of 25 circulation commemorative coins)	–	250 hryvnias	19 May 2023
8	The Mariupol Drama Theater – a Place of Unspeakable Pain (commemorative medal)	Nickel silver	–	30 May 2023
9	Air Defenses – Ukraine’s Reliable Shield (a roll of 25 circulation commemorative coins)	–	250 hryvnias	4 August 2023
10	United for Justice (commemorative medal)	Nickel silver	–	28 September 2023
11	The Antonov Bridge (a roll of 25 circulation commemorative coins)	–	250 hryvnias	10 November 2023
12	The Sergeant Corps (commemorative medal)	Nickel silver	–	17 November 2023
13	The Joint Forces Command of Ukraine’s Armed Forces (a roll of 25 circulation commemorative coins)	–	250 hryvnias	6 December 2023



# Bullion Coins Issued in 2023

## UAH 1 Archangel Michael Coin

 Face value, UAH  
1

 Metal and its fineness  
Ag 999.9

 Fine weight, g  
31.1

 Diameter, mm  
38.6

 Quality  
Uncirculated

 Edge  
Grooved

 Mintage, units  
10.000



**Designers**  
Volodymyr Taran,  
Oleksandr Kharuk, Serhii Kharuk



**Engraver**  
Sviatoslav Ivanenko



**Computer-aided design**  
Vitalii Andriianov  
Yurii Lukianov

In 2023, the NBU continued to make Archangel Michael bullion coins that were designed in 2020. Bullion coins are a special group of modern coins designed to be bought by a wide range of investors, including private individuals. Such coins are legal tender and are also classified as investment metals.

Bullion coins are a convenient way to make savings used by people in many countries.

**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms, below which is the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine); against the background of a pattern made of stylized Old Rus Kyiv-type hryvnias – used as a unit of weight and counting, and a monetary unit – is a stylized wreath made of laurel leaves; at the bottom of the coin is its face value 1 and the graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴;

in the center, in an octagonal cartouche, against a smooth background, is the NBU logotype, below which are the legends НАЦІОНАЛЬНИЙ / БАНК УКРАЇНИ (National Bank of Ukraine), the coin's issue year – 2023, and the coin's metal, metal fineness and the coin's fine weight – Ag 999,9 31,1 (Ag 999.9 31.1). Beneath, to the left, is the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** there is an image of Archangel Michael, one of the most revered biblical characters, the defeater of evil and the patron of soldiers who fight for just causes; there is a circular legend, reading: ...ЗА НАС І ДУШІ ПРАВЕДНИХ, І СИЛА АРХІСТРАТИГА МИХАЇЛА (...the souls of the righteous and the power of Archangel Michael are with us) (from the Haidamaky poem by Taras Shevchenko).

## UAH 2 Archangel Michael Coin

 Face value, UAH  
2

 Metal and its fineness  
Au 999.9

 Fine weight, g  
3.11

 Diameter, mm  
16.0

 Quality  
Uncirculated

 Edge  
Grooved in sectors

 Mintage, units  
5,000



**Designers**  
Volodymyr Taran,  
Oleksandr Kharuk, Serhii Kharuk



**Engraver**  
Sviatoslav Ivanenko



**Computer-aided design**  
Vitalii Andriianov,  
Yurii Lukianov

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**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms, below which is the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine); against the background of a pattern made of stylized Old Rus Kyiv-type hryvnias – used as a unit of weight and counting and a monetary unit – is a stylized wreath made of laurel leaves; at the bottom of the coin is its face value 2 and the graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴; in the center,

in an octagonal cartouche, against a smooth background, is the NBU logotype, below which is the following legend: НАЦІОНАЛЬНИЙ / БАНК УКРАЇНИ / 2023 / Au 999,9 3,11 (National / Bank of Ukraine / 2023 / Au 999.9 3.11) (the coin's metal, its fineness and fine weight). Beneath, to the left, is the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** there is an image of Archangel Michael, one of the most revered biblical characters, the defeater of evil and the patron of soldiers who fight for just causes; there is a circular legend, reading: ...ЗА НАС І ДУШІ ПРАВЕДНИХ, І СИЛА АРХІСТРАТИГА МИХАЇЛА (...the souls of the righteous and the power of Archangel Michael are with us) (from the Haidamaky poem by Taras Shevchenko).

## UAH 5 Archangel Michael Coin

 Face value, UAH  
5

 Metal and its fineness  
Au 999.9

 Fine weight, g  
7.78

 Diameter, mm  
20.0

 Quality  
Uncirculated

 Edge  
Grooved in sectors

 Mintage, units  
2,500



**Designers**  
Volodymyr Taran,  
Oleksandr Kharuk, Serhii Kharuk



**Engraver**  
Sviatoslav Ivanenko



**Computer-aided design**  
Vitalii Andriianov  
Yurii Lukianov

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**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms, below which is the legend УКРАЇНА (Ukraine); against the background of a pattern made of stylized Old Rus Kyiv-type hryvnias – used as a unit of weight and counting and a monetary unit – is a stylized wreath made of laurel leaves; at the bottom of the coin is its face value 5 and the graphic symbol of the hryvnia ₴, in the center,

in an octagonal cartouche, against a smooth background, is the NBU logotype, below which is the following legend: НАЦІОНАЛЬНИЙ/БАНК УКРАЇНИ / 2023 / Au 999,9 3,11 (National / Bank of Ukraine / 2023 / Au 999.9 3.11) (the coin's metal, its fineness and fine weight). Beneath, to the left, is the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** there is an image of Archangel Michael, one of the most revered biblical characters, the defeater of evil and the patron of soldiers who fight for just causes; there is a circular legend, reading: ...ЗА НАС І ДУШІ ПРАВЕДНИХ, І СИЛА АРХІСТРАТИГА МИХАЇЛА (...the souls of the righteous and the power of Archangel Michael are with us) (from the Haidamaky poem by Taras Shevchenko).



# Hryvnia Banknotes Issued in 2023

500 hryvnia banknote designed in 2015



Put into circulation  
25 April 2023



Face value, UAH  
500



Banknote size, mm  
75x154



The banknote's dominant color  
Beige

The front of the note depicts a portrait of Hryhorii Skovoroda.

Skovoroda (1722–1794) was a prominent Ukrainian philosopher, poet, writer, educator, teacher, and musician who personified the spiritual awakening of Ukrainian society in the late eighteenth century.

The back of the note depicts the Kyiv Mohyla Academy.

The Kyiv-Mohyla Academy was the first higher education school in Ukraine, founded in 1632. It was the largest general education center of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, which trained teachers of Slavic and Greek Catholic academies, figures of spiritual education, and teachers of theological seminaries. Skovoroda was one of the most famous graduates of the Kyiv Mohyla Academy.

To support cash circulation, the National Bank of Ukraine on 25 April 2023 issued into circulation the 500-hryvnia banknote designed in 2015, which bears the signature of NBU Governor Andriy Pyshnyy and the banknote's issue year – 2023.

1,000 hryvnia banknote designed in 2019



Put into circulation  
20 July 2023



Face value, UAH  
1,000



Banknote size, mm  
75x160



The banknote's dominant color  
Light blue

The front of the note depicts a portrait of Volodymyr Vernadskyi.

Volodymyr Vernadskyi (1863–1945) was a famous Ukrainian scientist, philosopher, natural scientist, and the founder of a range of new scientific fields (geochemistry, biogeochemistry and radiogeology). He was also one of the founders and the first president of the Ukrainian Academy of Sciences, which was established in 1918.

The back of the note features the Presidium of Ukraine's National Academy of Sciences.

The Presidium of Ukraine's National Academy of Sciences was built in the 1850s to a design by architect Alexander Beretti. In 1892, a third floor was added to the building. Its facade features rustication and an attic decorative element with a cast-iron grid. The building was transferred to the Academy of Sciences in 1918.

To support cash circulation, the National Bank of Ukraine on 20 July 2023 issued into circulation the 1,000-hryvnia banknote designed in 2019, which bears the signature of NBU Governor Andriy Pyshnyy and the banknote's issue year – 2023.

20 hryvnia banknote designed in 2018



Put into circulation  
24 October 2023



Face value, UAH  
20



Size of the banknote, mm  
69x130



The banknote's dominant color  
Green

The front of the note depicts a portrait of Ivan Franko.

Ivan Franko (1856–1916) was a famous Ukrainian writer, critic, translator, journalist, sociologist, ethnographer, historian, and philosopher whose work was guided by the idea of promoting the interests of Ukrainians and common human values. His works became a unique phenomenon, representing entire spiritual epochs in the history of Ukraine, and making a significant contribution to world literature.

The back of the note depicts the Lviv Opera House.

The Lviv Opera House was built in 1900 to a design by architect Zygmunt Gorgolewski.

To support cash circulation, the National Bank of Ukraine on 24 October 2023 issued into circulation the 20-hryvnia banknote designed in 2018, which bears the signature of NBU Governor Andriy Pyschnyy and the banknote's issue year – 2023.



# Circulation and Circulation Commemorative and Small Coins Issued in 2023



## 1 hryvnia

 **Metal**  
Low-carbon  
nickel-electroplated steel

 **Weight, g**  
3.3

 **Diameter, mm**  
18.9

 **Thickness, mm**  
1.7

 **Edge**  
Grooved



**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms; in the center, surrounded by an old Rus ornament are the legends: УКРАЇНА / 1 / ГРИВНЯ (UKRAINE / 1 / HRYVNIA), and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works (to the right); beneath is the issue year – 2023.

**Reverse:** there are an image of great Kyiv Prince Volodymyr the Great and the circular legend ВОЛОДИМИР ВЕЛИКИЙ (VOLODYMYR THE GREAT).

## 2 hryvnias

 **Metal**  
Low-carbon  
nickel-electroplated steel

 **Weight, g**  
4.0

 **Diameter, mm**  
20.2

 **Thickness, mm**  
1.8

 **Edge**  
Grooved



**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms; in the center, surrounded by an old Rus ornament are the legends: УКРАЇНА / 2 / ГРИВНІ (UKRAINE / 2 / HRYVNIAS), and the mint mark of the NBU Banknote Printing and Minting Works (to the right); beneath is the issue year – 2023.

**Reverse:** there are an image of great Kyiv Prince Yaroslav the Wise and the circular legend ЯРОСЛАВ МУДРИЙ (YAROSLAV THE WISE).

## 5 hryvnias

 **Metal**  
Zinc-based  
nickel-electroplated alloy

 **Weight, g**  
5.2

 **Diameter, mm**  
22.1

 **Thickness, mm**  
2.1

 **Edge**  
Grooved in sectors



**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms; in the center, surrounded by an old Rus ornament are the legends: УКРАЇНА / 5 / ГРИВЕНЬ (UKRAINE / 5 / HRYVNIAS), and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works (to the right); beneath is the issue year – 2023.

**Reverse:** there are an image Ukrainian Hetman Bohdan Hmelnytskyi and the circular legend БОГДАН ХМЕЛЬНИЦЬКИЙ (BOHDAN HMEЛNYTSKYI).

## 10 hryvnias

 **Metal**  
Zinc-based  
nickel-electroplated alloy

 **Weight, g**  
6.4

 **Diameter, mm**  
23.5

 **Thickness, mm**  
2.3

 **Edge**  
Grooved



**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms; in the center, surrounded by an old Rus ornament are the legends: УКРАЇНА / 10 / ГРИВЕНЬ (UKRAINE / 10 / HRYVNIAS), and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works (to the right); beneath is the issue year – 2023.

**Reverse:** there are an image Ukrainian Hetman Ivan Mazepa and the circular legend ІВАН МАЗЕПА (IVAN MAZEPA).

## The Support Forces of Ukraine's Armed Forces (10-hryvnia circulation commemorative coin)

	<b>Metal</b> Zinc-based nickel-electroplated alloy
	<b>Weight, g</b> 6.4
	<b>Diameter, mm</b> 23.5
	<b>Thickness, mm</b> 2.3
	<b>Edge</b> Grooved



**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms; in the center, surrounded by an old Rus ornament are the semicircular legends: УКРАЇНА / 10 / ГРИВЕНЬ (UKRAINE / 10 / HRYVNIAS); against the backdrop of the ornament are the coins' issue year – 2023 (beneath) and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works (to the right).

**Reverse:** there is the emblem of the Support Forces of Ukraine's Armed Forces; above is the following circular legend: СИЛИ ПІДТРИМКИ ЗСУ – ЗАВЖДИ ПОРУЧ (THE SUPPORT FORCES OF UKRAINE'S ARMED FORCES ARE ALWAYS STANDING BY).

## Air Defenses – Ukraine's Reliable Shield (10-hryvnia circulation commemorative coin)

	<b>Metal</b> Zinc-based nickel-electroplated alloy
	<b>Weight, g</b> 6.4
	<b>Diameter, mm</b> 23.5
	<b>Thickness, mm</b> 2.3
	<b>Edge</b> Grooved



**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms; in the center, surrounded by an old Rus ornament are the semicircular legends: УКРАЇНА / 10 / ГРИВЕНЬ (UKRAINE / 10 / HRYVNIAS); against the backdrop of the ornament are the coins' issue year – 2023 (beneath) and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works (to the right).

**Reverse:** there are an image of a Patriot launcher and a stylized image of a radar detecting a target; above is the following circular legend: ППО – НАДІЙНИЙ ЩИТ УКРАЇНИ (AIR DEFENSES – UKRAINE'S RELIABLE SHIELD).

### The Antonov Bridge (10-hryvnia circulation commemorative coin)

	<b>Metal</b> Zinc-based nickel-electroplated alloy
	<b>Weight, g</b> 6.4
	<b>Diameter, mm</b> 23.5
	<b>Thickness, mm</b> 2.3
	<b>Edge</b> Grooved



**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms; in the center, surrounded by an old Rus ornament are the semicircular legends: УКРАЇНА / 10 / ГРИВЕНЬ (UKRAINE / 10 / HRYVNIAS); against the backdrop of the ornament are the coins' issue year – 2023 (beneath) and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works (to the right).

**Reverse:** there is a stylized image of the Antonov Bridge and the Dnipro River from a bird's eye view, and traffic interchanges at both ends of the bridge, which make the bridge interesting and unusual; above is the legend АНТОНІВСЬКИЙ МІСТ (THE ANTONOV BRIDGE).

### The Joint Forces Command of Ukraine's Armed Forces (10-hryvnia circulation commemorative coin)

	<b>Metal</b> Zinc-based nickel-electroplated alloy
	<b>Weight, g</b> 6.4
	<b>Diameter, mm</b> 23.5
	<b>Thickness, mm</b> 2.3
	<b>Edge</b> Grooved



**Obverse:** above is Ukraine's small coat of arms; in the center, surrounded by an old Rus ornament are the semicircular legends: УКРАЇНА / 10 / ГРИВЕНЬ (UKRAINE / 10 / HRYVNIAS); against the backdrop of the ornament are the coins' issue year – 2023 (beneath) and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works (to the right).

**Reverse:** there is the emblem of the Joint Forces Command of Ukraine's Armed Forces; there is the following circular legend: РАЗОМ ПЕРЕМОЖЕМО! (Together we will win) (above), and КОМАНДУВАННЯ ОБ'ЄДНАНИХ СИЛ ЗСУ (Joint Forces Command of Ukraine's Armed Forces) (beneath).

## 50 kopiikas

 **Metal**  
Low-carbon  
nickel-electroplated steel

 **Weight, g**  
4.2

 **Diameter, mm**  
23.0

 **Thickness, mm**  
1.55

 **Edge**  
Grooved in sectors



**Obverse:** there is Ukraine's small coat of arms, framed on both sides by an ornament of two oak leaves and two ears of wheat. Three awns shoot upward from each ear. Above the coat of arms is the legend УКРАЇНА (UKRAINE), under the coat of arms are the coin's issue year and the mint mark of the NBU's Banknote Printing and Minting Works.

**Reverse:** in the center is the numerical indication of the denomination 50, under which is the legend КОПІЙОК (KOPIIKAS). The upper level of the letters of the denomination name is even, while the lower level has the shape of a downwardly curved arc. The number is framed by a stylized wreath of leaves and berries. The perimeters of the obverse and reverse sides of the coin are framed by continuous convex borders.



# Chronology of Commemorative Coins Issued in 2023, by Thematic Series

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N°	Name	Metal	Face value	Issue date
<b>MY IMMORTAL UKRAINE SERIES</b>				
1	The Courage To Be. UA	Silver (Ag 925)	10 hryvnias	23 August 2023
2	The Courage To Be. UA	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	23 August 2023
3	Friendship and Brotherhood are the Greatest of Riches (a set of two commemorative coins)	Silver (Ag 999)	10 hryvnias	24 August 2023
4	The Country of Superheroes. We Thank Our Energy Workers!	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	26 September 2023
5	Female Defenders	Silver (Ag 925)	10 hryvnias	2 October 2023
6	Female Defenders	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	2 October 2023
7	The Country of Superheroes. We Thank Our Volunteers!	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	4 December 2023
8	The Country of Superheroes. We Thank Our Railway Workers!	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	14 December 2023
<b>OUTSTANDING PERSONALITIES OF UKRAINE SERIES</b>				
9	Vasyl Krychevskyi	Nickel silver	2 hryvnias	24 January 2023
10	Pavlo Skoropadskyi	Nickel silver	2 hryvnias	30 May 2023
<b>UKRAINIAN SPIRITUAL TREASURES SERIES</b>				
11	Ukrainian Language	Silver (Ag 925)	10 hryvnias	27 October 2023
12	Ukrainian Language	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	29 November 2023
<b>ARCHITECTURAL MONUMENTS OF UKRAINE SERIES</b>				
13	St. Volodymyr's Cathedral in Kyiv (a two-coin set in a box)	Silver (Ag 925)	10 hryvnias (each coin)	27 December 2023
<b>THE ORIENTAL CALENDAR SERIES</b>				
14	The Year of the Dragon	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	24 November 2023
<b>UKRAINIAN HERITAGE SERIES SERIES "УКРАЇНСЬКА СПАДЩИНА"</b>				
15	Ukrainian Borshch	Silver (Ag 925)	10 hryvnias	29 September 2023
16	Ukrainian Borshch	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	29 September 2023

N°	Name	Metal	Face value	Issue date
17	The Shchedryk Carol – The Carol of the Bells (a set of three Silver coins in a box)	Silver (Ag 999)	10 hryvnias (each coin)	21 December 2023
<b>UKRAINIAN FLORA AND FAUNA SERIES</b>				
18	Chornobyl. Revival. The Eurasian Lynx	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	26 April 2023
<b>OTHER COINS SERIES</b>				
19	Born in Ukraine	Silver (Ag 925)	5 hryvnias	1 June 2023
20	Born in Ukraine	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	1 June 2023
21	Ukraine's Military Intelligence	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	5 September 2023
22	100 Years since the Establishment of the National Scientific Center – Hon. Prof. M. S. Bokarius Forensic Science Institute	Nickel silver	5 hryvnias	28 September 2023
23	Archangel Michael	Silver (Ag 999)	10 hryvnias	26 December 2023

