

Unique & Limited Edition Gifts

Brushwood Coins is a small private company specialising in the design of top quality limited edition & special United Kingdom coin collections.



We offer a selection of absolutely unique gifts, for birthdays, wedding anniversaries, retirements, and commissioned sets to mark any special occasion, as well as coins for collectors.

- *Unique and Limited Edition Coin Collections & Special Gifts*
- *Special Birthday Gifts*
- *Wedding and Other Anniversaries*
- *Retirements & Gifts for Special Occasions*
- *Coins for Collectors*
- *Proof and Mint Coin Sets*
- *Single Year Coin Sets*
- *Multiple Year Sets and Special Collections*

We use highest quality mint condition or proof quality coins, and our specially commissioned sets are all hand made.

All limited edition coins and displays are supplied with a Certificate of Authenticity and a 2-year guarantee.

Special Occasions. Brushwood's unique skill is in the creation of commissioned coin-based displays to celebrate special occasions in someone's life such as a wedding, anniversary, retirement etc. These limited edition framed displays are our speciality and use coins from key years to mark the important dates – such as birthdays, marriages, family or career events.

Date post-marked stamps can also be incorporated into the design to highlight such events as birth dates, marriage dates and other important anniversaries. Personal photographs and other graphics can also be incorporated. The design is finished off by a choice of frames to make the unique gift look perfect when set with any interior décor.

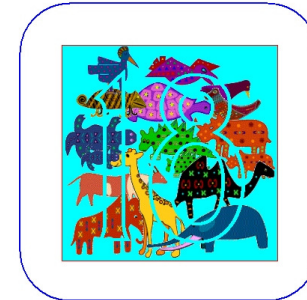


The oak-framed coin display shown as an example above was commissioned as a special birthday gift for someone and has coins spreading over a 40 year period. If you look on our website you will find other examples illustrated to give you an idea of what your finished design might look like.

If you would like to know how much a specially commissioned display might cost we can supply a free quotation. Please contact us with a list of important dates you would like to commemorate in the collection. The price of the display will be primarily dependent on the rarity of the dates of the coins to be incorporated.

Special Birthday Cards. We have recently created a new range of limited edition cards for celebration of special occasions, birthdays and other anniversaries. The birthday cards are in a linen finish and incorporate a coin from the special year concerned. Cards can also be custom made to include the person's name and date of birth.

A few example designs are illustrated below to give you an idea of what is currently available and more design examples can be found on our website.



Silver Proof Coins. The £1 coin was introduced in 1983, replacing the previous one-pound note that was withdrawn. At the same time, in recognition of the new £1 coin, the Royal Mint initiated a new series of limited edition sterling silver proof coins, each issued within their own protective capsules in an individual casket.



Each silver coin is issued with its own numbered certificate of authenticity, and the Royal Mint has continued to issue these limited edition coins each year since 1983 in limited edition quantities, thus making it a rare and very special gift for 18th & 21st birthdays, anniversaries, and other special occasions.

In 1996 the Royal Mint additionally issued a complete set of sterling silver proof coins of that year in celebration of 25 years of decimal coinage, so if you know of someone born in 1996 this would make an especially unique limited edition present to mark a special birthday.

Proof Coin Sets. Proof year sets are produced by the British Royal Mint containing coins in absolutely perfect condition using a very special high quality minting technique quite different to the normal coin process. Often the proof coin images will have frosted relief against a mirror finish background. Some years the proof coins were all mirror finish with no frosting. Proof coins are the ultimate quality of coin achievable and are created with the specialist coin collector or investor in mind. Proof sets are always issued as limited editions having a maximum number produced for worldwide sale.

Brilliant Uncirculated sets are nearly as high quality as Proof sets, but coins in these are produced only in mirror finish relief. These are also made using a different minting technique, but one much closer to normal circulating coins, using specially polished dies and careful handling of individual coins prior to packaging. The set illustrated below is a 2003 Proof collection.



Proof or Brilliant Uncirculated coin year sets make excellent special birthday presents and Brushwood can supply all years from 1970 onward in proof quality. Year sets prior to 1970 were not produced by the Royal Mint at proof standard except for occasions such as major Royal events. Requests for coin year sets prior to 1970 will be fulfilled using coins of mint uncirculated quality wherever possible.

The Royal Mint regularly commissions special coin designs to commemorate historical events or famous people and these will be found in the Proof & Brilliant Uncirculated sets that are issued each year. The new coin designs due for release in 2006 are shown below:



As well as the limited edition cards shown earlier in this brochure, Brushwood also design a range of personalised birthday coin sets. For example a 21st birthday set could incorporate a coin from every year from the date of the person's birth to their 21st year. These collections can also include date postmarked stamps from the year of birth and the birthday being celebrated.

The example shown below is of a limited edition 21st birthday set:



If you would like to find out more information about Brushwood Coins please have a look at our website which is progressively being extended to include new products.

New features to be added in 2006 will include coins for collectors, and technical notes on a few of our favourite coins, such as the 'wren' farthing and 'ship' halfpenny.

If you would like a quote you can contact us via the website or alternatively by e-mail on:

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