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Object ID

2013.5.119

Object Name

Coin

Object Collection

Pete Poulos Collection (is part of)

Date Created

1960

Material

Silver

Object Entities

Greece, (created by)
Poulos, Pete (owned by)
Poulos, Peter (is related to)
of Greece, King (is related to)

Access Points

1960
coin
Nymph
Silver

Object Description

This is a 20 drachma coin from the year 1960. On the front side is a portrait of King Paul of Greece. He appears in a similiar fashion to U.S. presidents on American coins. His name is written in Greek letters which appear all around his head. Underneath his head the number 1960 appears, signifying the year that this coin was minted. The back of the coin features a large picture of a nymph riding a horse. On the top right

□ side of the coin is the number 20 on top of the greek letters delta rho chi, an abbreviation for drachma. Underneath the nymph is a dolphin diving into water. The outer border of this coin is a simple pattern. The coin has a silver color. It is made of pure silver. Its edge is smooth.

Origin

The coin was minted in 1960 and has a value of 20 drachma. The man who appears on the front of the coin is King Paul of Greece. He reigned from 1947-1964, and this coin was minted during his reign in celebration of his ruler. The nymph which appears on the back is a traditional Greek figures. Nymphs were mythological characters who often represented the spirit of nature. The water that appears under the nymph is characteristic of an aspect of nature that they nymph could represent.

Citation

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