

2020 White Lion of Mortimer One Ounce Gold Bullion Coin

Bullion coins from The Royal Mint are prized by investors all over the world, struck to the standards of quality, accuracy and security that you'd expect from a world-leading mint.

The Queen's Beasts Collection is a fascinating series of coins that celebrates the ancient heraldry behind a very modern monarchy.

In 1953, ten statues guarded the entrance to the coronation of Her Majesty The Queen. Known as The Queen's Beasts, each statue was created to represent a strand of her heritage. Today, these fascinating heraldic beasts have been reimagined for a new era and brought to life on our bullion coins.

The White Lion of Mortimer is the eighth release in the collection and the second lion to feature in this series. Unlike the fierce Lion of England, the White Lion sits uncrowned, with its tail between its legs, a pose representing loyalty and discipline.

The White Lion came to The Queen through her Yorkist heritage. First used by Roger Mortimer, Earl of March (1328–60), a founder Knight of the Order of the Garter, it passed to the House of York and was used by Richard II.

Obverse



Alloy: 999.9 Fine Gold
Obverse Designer: Jody Clark
Reverse Designer: Jody Clark
Quality: Bullion
Year: 2020
Packaging: Tubes

Reverse

The secure, detailed chainmail background texture is a signature of this bullion collection.

The White Lion holds a shield bearing the white rose of York combined with the sun's golden rays – a symbol important to Edward IV, who saw the sun as a sign of good luck in battle.



Royal Mint product designer Jody Clark has portrayed the White Lion of Mortimer side-on to emphasise the most important parts of the Lion's story – its mane, tail and shield.

Jody Clark also designed the portrait of Queen Elizabeth II that appears on the obverse of The Queen's Beast coins.

Struck in 999.9 fine gold reflected in the coin's inscription.

Key Features

- Struck in one ounce of 999.9 fine gold
- Finished to The Royal Mint's bullion standard
- Both sides of the coin were created by renowned Royal Mint designer Jody Clark
- The coin's secure chainmail background texture symbolises strength and endurance
- Struck by The Royal Mint – the official mint of the United Kingdom