



GREAT BRITAIN

1951 GEORGE VI MATTE PROOF SHILLING "ENGLISH CREST" NGC PR64



George VI (Albert Frederick Arthur George; 14 December 1895 – 6 February 1952) was King of the United Kingdom and the Dominions of the British Commonwealth from 11 December 1936 until his death in 1952. He was concurrently the last Emperor of India until August 1947, when the British Raj was dissolved.

The future George VI was born in the reign of his great-grandmother Queen Victoria. His father ascended the throne as George V in 1910. As the second son of the king, Albert was not expected to inherit the throne.

Slightly granular appearance and a planchet colored a light shade of graphite, the designs are deeply impressed and the surfaces remain free of handling. A fascinating issue that was reportedly produced for the purpose of easing flash photography, thus making the imagery usable for the marketing of the Festival of Britain, a government sponsored exhibition which promoted British contribution to science, technology, industrial design, architecture and the arts. Very rare with only 3 or 4 known according to English Silver Coinage. The first we have ever handled of this *Extremely RARE coin*.

