





ANCIENTS

336-323 BC Alexander III, 'The Great' AR drachm NGC Ch VF



Alexander the Great was king of the Macedonian Kingdom from 336-323 B.C. His father was Philip II, who gave him the most quality education, including with the famous philosopher Aristotle. Trained in battle with his father Philip, Alexander did not stay in his father's shadow and went on to create an empire that is has effects on Western Civilization to this day.

The types of coins Alexander introduced, including those in gold, silver and bronze, were used as prototypes of the coins struck hundreds of years after his death. Since his coins were so well known and accepted, for hundreds of years, his types were struck by various other rulers and cities. Coins were struck bearing his portrait and name into the ancient Roman times over 500 years later.

AR drachm (18mm, 12h). Posthumous issue of Mylasa, ca. 300-280 BC. Head of Heracles right, wearing lion skin headdress, paws tied before neck / ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΟΥ, Zeus seated left on backless throne, right leg drawn back, feet on ground line, eagle in right hand, scepter in left; Ω HY Ω monogram in left field. Well struck.



