

NEW RELEASE FROM THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY *in Association with The Perth Mint*

WORLD YOUTH DAY SYDNEY 2008 **1oz GOLD PROOF COIN and 1oz SILVER PROOF COIN**

Vatican Approved Design for World Youth Day Sydney 2008 Commemoratives



- **Pope Benedict on reverse design**
- **Australian legal tender**
- **99.9% pure gold & 99.9% pure silver**
- **Strictly limited mintages**
- **Numbered certificates of Authenticity**
- **Presentation cases and stylised shippers**
- ***Actual diameter of silver coin 40.6mm, gold coin 32.10mm***

Hundreds of thousands of participants will celebrate World Youth Day in Sydney next July. The enormously popular event, first held in Rome in 1986, also marks the first visit to Australia of His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI.

Struck by The Perth Mint from 1 oz of 99.9% pure gold and 1oz of 99.9% pure silver in proof quality, these outstanding WYD08 commemoratives depict a Vatican-approved design featuring Pope Benedict.

Ideal mementos for Australian Catholics and the huge number of pilgrims in Sydney for World Youth Day '08, both coins are issued as legal tender under the *Australian Currency Act 1965*.

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Extremely Limited Mintage

The Perth Mint will release no more than 1,000 gold proof coins, and no more than 25,000 silver proof coins.

Design

The reverses of both coins depict His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI and a representation of the official WYDSYD08 logo. The design is 'struck' in the traditional way on the pure gold proof coin and is portrayed in superb colour on the pure silver proof coin.

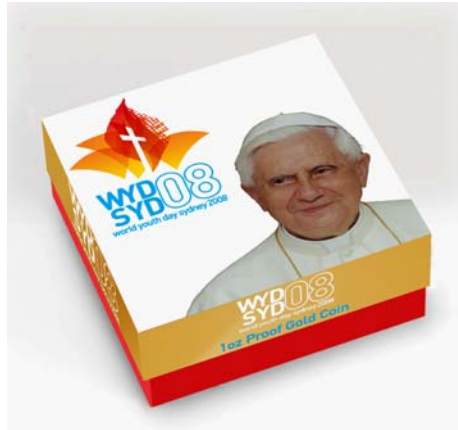
The reverse also incorporates The Perth Mint's 'P' mintmark and the inscription WORLD YOUTH DAY SYDNEY 2008, which appears in a border encircling the main design.



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Presentation

The gold coin is housed in a timber display case. The WYDSYD08 logo overlays a gold coloured section of the lid top. The case comes in a red box shipper portraying a coloured image of His Holiness The Pope and the WYDSYD08 logo on the lid. The sides of the lid are gold in colour.



The silver coin is also housed in a timber display case. The WYDSYD08 logo overlays a silver coloured section of the lid top. The case comes in a black box shipper with the same images on the lid. The sides of the lid are silver in colour.

Prices

1oz Gold Proof Coin \$1,750.00

1oz Silver Proof Coin \$89.50

** Prices include postage and handling.*