

1500-KRONE COMMEMORATIVE COIN 2000

DESIGN AND TECHNICAL DETAILS



Obverse



Reverse

A 1500-krone commemorative gold proof coin has been minted to mark the arrival of the new millennium. The coin is to be issued on 15 January 2000 and will be legal tender.

Technical details:

Diameter: 27 mm
Weight: 6.96 g
Gold content: 917/1000 Au, remainder Ag
ie: 15.55 g fine gold (1 troy ounce)

Design:

Obverse: A portrait of H. M. King Harald V facing right. Behind the portrait, vertically: NORGE ÅR 2000 (Norway Year 2000) / 1500 KR, and below the portrait: HARALD V. Underneath: the crossed pick and hammer mintmark of the Royal Norwegian Mint and the initials, JEJ, of the director of the Mint Jan Erik Johansen.

Reverse: Yggdrasil, the World Tree of Norse mythology. (Yggdrasil was an evergreen ash reaching above the skies and spreading its branches over the whole world, with leaves "that drip dew, into the dales below". Yggdrasil had three roots, each with its own symbolic significance). Between the roots of the tree, the legend TIDER SKAL KOMME (times will come – Luke 21.6) and to the right between the leaves: the artist's signature, IAR.

Edge: Plain.

The coin was designed by Ingrid Austlid Rise, Chief engraver of the Royal Norwegian Mint.

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