

THE 20-KRONE COMMEMORATIVE COIN

DESCRIPTION AND TECHNICAL DATA



Obverse



Reverse

A 20-krone commemorative coin has been minted to mark the 700th anniversary of Akershus Castle in Oslo. The coin is legal tender and is being issued at face value.

Technical details:

Diameter: 27.5 mm
Thickness: 2.2 mm
Weight: 10 g
Alloy: 81% Cu, 10% Zn, 9% Ni
Rim: Plain

Artist: Ingrid Austlid Rise

Design:

Obverse:

The reverse of King Håkon V Magnusson's two-sided seal (coat of arms). The Norwegian lion, the design which forms the basis for the present-day Norwegian coat of arms, has replaced the knight traditionally portrayed on the seal. Below the motif: the denomination 20 KR flanked by the

crossed pick and hammer mintmark of the Royal Norwegian Mint and the initials of the director of the Royal Norwegian Mint, JEJ (Jan Erik Johansen), all of which appear above NORGE (Norway) and the year, 1999.

Reverse:

Akershus Castle and medieval fortress as it appeared in the 14th century. The designer's initials, IAR, are inscribed in the fortress wall to the right. Below the motif to the right: the legend AKERSHUS 700 ÅR (Akershus 700 years).

The coin will come into circulation on 7 May 1999. No ordinary 20-krone coins bearing the date 1999 will be minted.

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