Constantine I the Great and Related Ancient Roman Coin Collecting Guide

Video and Article Exploring the Types of coins from the era of Constantine the Great, his family and other important historical figures



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ke6n5GF7fnk

Coins of Constantine and related coins including family such as Saint Helena and more. Video discusses these coins in more detail.

Constantine the Great was Roman emperor from 307-337 A.D. His father was Constantius I 'Chlorus' and mother was Helena, also known as Saint Helena.

In this article, I explore different coins of Constantine I the Great and related. Watch the video above where I talk about these coins in more detail.

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Constantine I 'The Great' - Roman Emperor: 307-337 A.D.

Caesar (Recognized): 306-309 A.D. | Filius Augustorum (Recognized): 309-310 A.D. | Augustus (Self-Proclaimed): 307-310 A.D. | Augustus (Recognized): 310-337 A.D. |

Son of Constantius I and Helena | Step-son of Theodora | Husband of Minervina and Fausta | Father (by Minervina) of Crispus and (by Fausta) of Constantine II, Constantius II, Constantina (wife of Hanniballianus & Constantius Gallus) and Helena the Younger (wife of Julian II) | Son-in-law of Maximian and Eutropia | Brother-in-law of Maxentius | Half-brother of Constantia (w. of Licinius I) | Half-uncle of Delmatius, Hanniballianus, Constantius Gallus, Julian II, Licinius II and Nepotian | Grandfather of Constantia (wife of Gratian) |

The Coins of Constantine the Great and Related

Below is a link to some of the finest examples of ancient Roman coins of Constantine the Great and the related family. Reading this article and watching this video will help you also become an expert in these types of coins. Some of the advantages of collecting coins of this period, is that they are some of the most affordable coins of the time period. Also reading this article and watching this video, you can learn more about the more rare types of coins that are available so you know exactly what to look for. With 27 high quality and rare examples illustrated here, you can also explore more

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Reference: Bastien, Lyon, 387 (30 specimens); RIC 202. Cohen 26 (2 Fr.) DIVO CONSTANTIO AVG, head laureate right.

CONSECRATIO, eagle with spread wings standing right, head turned back and looking upwards.

Divo CONSTANTIUS I Chlorus CONSECRATIO 306AD Eagle Constantine the Great i43470

Deification Issue Under Constantine the Great

Constantius I 'Chlorus' - Roman Emperor: 305-306 A.D. Father of Constantine I the Great
Bronze Follis 29mm (10.49 grams) Lugdunum mint, circa 306-307

* Numismatic Note: Super rare coin.

HELENA Constantine the Great mother STAR 318AD Very Rare Roman Coin i19012

Helena 'known as Saint Helena'- Mother of Constantine the Great - Bronze Follis 19mm (3.39 grams) Thessalonica mint: 318-319 A.D. Reference: RIC VII 50; Kent-Hirmer pl. 162, 637; LRBC 821 Pedigree: Ex Gorny & Mosch

HELENA N F, draped bust right. Eight-pointed star in laurel wreath.

Theodora stepmother of Constantine I the Great Rare Ancient Roman Coin i42096

<u>Theodora</u> - wife of <u>Constantius I</u>, stepmother of Constantine I and mother-in-law of Licinius

Commemorative struck after her death

Bronze AE4 16mm (1.84 grams) Struck Posthumously at the mint of

Trier circa 337-340 A.D. Reference: Trier RIC 56



FL MAX THEODORAE AVG, diademed, draped bust right PIETAS ROMANA, Pietas standing facing, holding a child at her breast, mintmark TRS dot.

Constantine I the Great 326AD Ancient Roman Coin Military camp gate i40647

Constantine I 'The Great' - Roman Emperor: 307-337 A.D. - Bronze AE3 19mm (2.82 grams) Thessalonica mint: 326-328 A.D.

Reference: RIC 153 (VII, Thessalonica) CONSTANTINVS AVG - Laureate head right.

PROVIDENTIAE AVG G Exe: ./SMTSE - $\underline{\text{Military Camp gate}}$ with

two turrets and one star.



Roman Coin Standard Glory of Army i39864

Constantine I 'The Great' - Roman Emperor: 307-337 A.D. -Bronze AE3 18mm (2.34 grams) Heraclea mint: 330-333 A.D. Reference: RIC 121 (VII, Heraclea)

CONSTANTINVSMAXAVG - Rosette-diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right.

GLORIAEXERCITVS Exe: .SMHB. - Two soldiers standing either

side of two standards.

*Numismatic Note: The reverse legend dedicates this coin to "the Glory of Army "



Constantine I The Great 313AD Ancient Roman Coin Sol Sun God Cult i39883

Constantine I 'The Great' - Roman Emperor: 307-337 A.D. -Bronze AE3 20mm (2.98 grams) Treveri mint circa 313-315A.D. Reference: RIC 40 (VII, Trier)

IMPCONSTANTINVSAVG - Laureate, cuirassed bust right. SOLIINVICTOCOMITI Exe: R/X/F/RT - Sol standing left, raising hand and holding globe.

CONSTANTINE I the GREAT RARE Ancient Roman Coin Victory Over SARMATIANS i39763

Constantine I 'The Great' - Roman Emperor: 307-337 A.D. -Victory Over SARMATIANS

Bronze 19mm (3.24 grams) Sirmium mint 324-325 A.D.

Reference: RIC 48 (VII, Sirmium)

CONSTANTINVSAVG - Laureate head right.

SARMATIADEVICTA Exe: SIRM - Victory advancing right,

stepping on captive, holding Trophy and palm.

CONSTANTINE I the GREAT Celebrates Victory Over LICINIUS 327AD Roman Coin i44119

Constantine I 'The Great' - Roman Emperor: 307-337 A.D. -Victory Over Licinius Commemorative





Bronze AE3 18mm (3.30 grams) Constantinople mint: 327 A.D.

Reference: RIC VII 30

CONSTANTINVS MAX AVG, diademed head right.

CONSTANTINIANA DAFNE, <u>Victory seated left</u> on cippus holding palm in each hand, looking right; before her, trophy at foot of which kneeling captive turning head, spurned by Victory; CONS in exergue.





* Numismatic Note: Rare victory over Licinius issue.

Constantine I 'The Great' 327AD Ancient Roman Coin Victory Over Licinius i41736

Constantine I 'The Great'- Roman Emperor: 307-337 A.D. - Victory Over Licinius

AE3 20mm (3.42 grams) Struck 327 A.D. in Constantinople

Reference: RIC VII 30

CONSTANTI-NVS MAX AVG, diademed head right facing upward. CONSTANTINIANA DAFNE, <u>Victory seated left</u> on cippus holding

palm in each hand, looking right; before her, trophy at foot of which kneeling captive turning head, spurned by Victory; CONS.





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Constantine I The Great 318AD Ancient Roman Coin Two Victories w shield i40584

Constantine I 'The Great' - Roman Emperor: 307-337 A.D. - Bronze AE3 19mm (3.13 grams) Siscia mint 318 A.D.

Reference: RIC 50 (VII, Siscia)

IMPCONSTANTINVSAVG - Helmeted, cuirassed bust left, holding spear over shoulder and shield.

VICTORIAELAETAEPRINCPERP Exe: HSIS - <u>Two Victories</u> standing, facing each other, together holding shield reading VOT/PR on cippus.





Constantine I The Great 327D Ancient Roman Coin Victory Nike Cult RARE i32263

Constantine I 'The Great'- Roman Emperor: 307-337 A.D. - Bronze AE3 19mm (2.82 grams) Constantinople mint: 327 A.D. Reference: RIC 18 (VII, Constantinople) R1, LRBC 985 CONSTANTINVS MAX AVG - Laureate head right.

LIBERTAS PVBLICA Exe: *B/CONS - Victory standing left on galley, holding wreath in each hand.

Constantine I The Great 324AD Silvered Ancient Roman Coin Victory Wreath



VIRTVS AVGG, camp gate with 4 turrets, star above, open panelled doors, SA(crescent)RL in exergue.

Romulus and Remus; two stars above.

CONSTANTINVS AVG, laureate head right.

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Constantine I 'The Great'- Roman Emperor: 307-337 A.D. -Silvered Bronze AE3 19mm (4.11 grams) Heraclea mint: 324 A.D.

Reference: RIC 56 (VII. Heraclea)

CONSTANTINVSAVG - Laureate head right.

DNCONSTANTINIMAXAVG Exe: SMHΔ - Wreath, VOT/XXX

within.

CONSTANTINE I the GREAT 325AD **OPEN DOOR Camp gate Rare Roman** Coin i29420

Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Constantine I 'The Great'- Roman Emperor: 307-337 A.D. -Bronze Follis 19mm (2.94 grams) Arles mint: 325-326 A.D.

Reference: RIC VII 291

CONSTANTINE I Romulus Remus SheWolf Rome Commemorative Ancient Roman Coin i48143

Constantine I 'The Great' - Roman Emperor: 307-337 A.D. -ROME CITY COMMEMORATIVE

Bronze AE3 17mm (2.52 grams) London mint 307-333 A.D.

Reference: cf.S.16526, RIC 257, B 221

VRBSROMA - Roma helmeted, draped and cuirassed bust left. No legend Exe: Double crescent/PLG - Wolf standing left, suckling

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Roman capital by Constantine I the Great.

Constantine I 'The Great' - Roman Emperor: 307-337 A.D. -Founding of New Roman Capital - CONSTANTINOPLE Commemorative -

Bronze AE4 16mm (2.68 grams) London mint 330-333 A.D.

Reference: Possibly Unpublished

CONSTANTINOPLIS - Constantinopolis helmeted, laureate bust left, holding scepter over shoulder.

No legend Exe: PLG- Victory standing left, stepping on galley prow, cradling scepter and resting

hand on shield.

* Numismatic Note: Commemorates founding of Constantinople as new

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CRISPUS 322AD RARE Possibly Unpublished Trier Ancient Roman Coin Altar i47979

Crispus - Roman Caesar: 317-326 A.D. -

Reduced Follis 20mm (2.70 grams) Trier (Treveri) circa 322-323 A.D.

Reference: Rare possibly unpublished type.

CRISPVS NOB CAES, helmeted, cuirassed bust right.

BEATA TRANQVILLITAS Exe: PTR, globe on altar inscribed VO

TIS XX; three stars above.

FAUSTA wife of Constantine the Great Ancient Roman Coin SPES Cult HOPE i24226

Fausta - second wife of Constantine I the Great

Bronze AE3 20mm (2.62 grams) Cyzicus mint 326 A.D.

Reference: RIC 50v (Cyzicus)

FLAVMAXFAVSTAAVG - Draped bust right.

SPESREIPVBLICAE Exe: .SMKΓ.- Fausta, as Spes, holding her two

sons, Constantine II and Constantius II.

CONSTANTINE II Constantine the Great son Ancient Roman Coin Nude SOL SUN i19683

Constantine II 'Junior' - Roman Emperor: 337-340 A.D. -

Bronze AE3 20mm (3.22 grams) Struck at the mint of Thessalonica 330-336 A.D.

RIC 23 (VII, Thessalonica)

CONSTANTINVSIVNNOBCAES - Laureate, draped and cuirassed

CLARITASREIPVBLICAE Exe: TSĐ,, - Sol standing left raising hand and holding a globe.



bust right.



CONSTANS Constantine the Great son 337AD Ancient Roman Coin Phoenix i44293

Constans - Roman Emperor: 337-350 A.D. -

Bronze AE3 18mm (2.96 grams) Siscia mint: 337-350 A.D.

Reference: RIC 241 (VIII, Siscia), LRBC 1134

DNCONSTANSPFAVG - Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right.

FELTEMPREPARATIO Exe: ΔSIS - Phoenix standing right on pile of ashes.





BY THIS SIGN YOU SHALL CONQUER Roman Coin i41798

Vetranio - Roman Emperor: 350 A.D. Vetranio in The Name of Constantius II

Bronze AE2 25mm (5.46 grams) Siscia Mint: 350 A.D.

Reference: RIC VIII 291; LRBC 1197

D N CONSTAN-TIVS P F AVG, pearl-diademed & cuirassed bust

MAXIMIAN 285AD Ancient Roman Coin Hero Hercules w club & lion skin i27330

Maximian - Roman Emperor: 285-305, 306-308 & 310 A.D. -Bronze Antoninianus 23mm (4.25 grams) Ticinum mint: 285-288

IMP C M A VAL MAXIMIANVS P F AVG, radiate, draped &

HERCVLI CONSERVAT, Hercules standing right, nude, holding

right, A behind, star to right.

Reference: RIC 545; Cohen 238.

cuirassed bust right

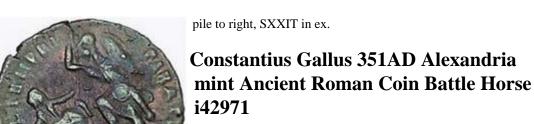
HOC SIGNO VICTOR ERIS ('by this sign you shall conquer'), emperor standing left, holding labarum with Chi-Rho & spear; to the right stands Victory, crowning him with wreath & holding palm branch; A in left field, dot GSIS star.





club with lion skin on rock







Constantius Gallus - Roman Caesar: 351-354 A.D. -

Bronze AE2 21mm (5.23 grams) Alexandria mint: 351-354 A.D.

Reference: RIC VIII 81

D N CONSTANTIVS NOB CAES, bare-headed, draped and cuirassed bust right; behind bust, delta

FEL TEMP REPARATIO, Exe: ALE - helmeted soldier to left, shield on left arm, spearing fallen horseman wearing Phrygian helmet.





DALMATIUS Delmatius 335D Roman Caesar Ancient Genuine Coin LEGIONS i32141

Dalmatius (Delmatius) - Roman Caesar: 335-337 A.D. -

Bronze AE4 17mm (1.51 grams) Thessalonica mint: 335-337 A.D.

Reference: RIC 227 (Thessalonica), LRBC 850

FLDALMATIVSNOBC - Laureate, draped and cuirassed bust right. GLORIAEXERCITVS Exe: SMTSΔ - Two soldiers either side of

one standard.

Numismatic Note* The reverse legend dedicates this coin to "the glory of the Army."

Julian II Apostate 361AD Huge Ancient Roman Coin Symbol of Taurus BULL





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Julian II 'the Apostate' - Roman Caesar: 355-361 A.D. - Emperor: 361-363 A.D. -

Bronze AE1 (27mm, 7.25 grams) Thessalonica mint: 361-363 A.D. Reference: RIC 225.

. DN FL C IVLIANVS P F AVG. pearl-diademed, draped, & cuirassed bust right.

SECVRITAS REIPVB, bull standing right; palm branch-TESA-palm branch in ex.







LICINIUS II Junior holds Victory on Globe 320AD Ancient Roman Coin RARE i37420

Licinius II 'Junior' - Roman Caesar: 317-324 A.D. -

Bronze Follis 20mm (3.48 grams) Siscia mint: 320 A.D.

Reference: RIC VII, S. 440, 132

LICINIVS IVN NOB CAES, Laureate, draped bust left, holding

Victory on globe and mappa.

VIRTVS - EXERCIT / S - F / HL / Δ SIS(star in crescent), Vexillum

reading VOT/X; seated captive on either side.

Licinius I Constantine The Great enemy 313AD Ancient Roman Coin Jupiter i44222

Licinius I - Roman Emperor 308-324 A.D. -

Silvered Bronze Follis 24mm (3.44 grams) Struck at the mint of

Heraclea

January - February 313 A.D. Reference: RIC 73 (VII, Heraclea)

IMPCVALLICINLICINIVSPFAVG - Laureate head right.

IOVICONSERVATORIAVGG Exe: Δ /SMHT - Jupiter standing left, holding Victory and scepter; eagle to left.





each holding horse by bridle.

Maxentius Constantine the Great Enemy Ancient Roman Coin Castor & Pollux i44780

Maxentius - Roman Emperor: 307-312 A.D.

Bronze Follis 24mm (6.04 grams) Ostia mint: 309-312 A.D.

Reference: RIC 35 (Ostia), S 3776

IMPCMAXENTIVSPFAVG - Laureate head right.

AETERNITASAVGN Exe: MOST - Castor and Pollux (the Dioscuri)

standing, facing each other,



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