

Modern Names



on Ancient Coins

Modern Names of People on Historical Numismatic Ancient Greek Roman Byzantine and Medieval Coins

You may be wondering about what is a great gift for the special people in your life. Did you know that the sweetest word in any language for anyone is their name. Yes! Remembering and saying people's name is more important than remembering any other details. It establishes a connection and makes the person feel special. It is also exciting to talk to a person about the origin of their name as it may mean something very special in their native language. What a lot of people don't know is how ancient, historically significant and important their names really are. Below is a list of names that can be encountered on ancient Greek, Roman, Byzantine and Medieval coins that if given as a gift, would leave a long and everlasting impression and gratitude for such a special personalized gift. The links below are easy to click and they will take you to my eBay store search page and input the name for you, so you don't have to remember any spellings.

If you are giving this as a gift, I would be happy to ship it to the person you would like to give it as a gift to, along with a special, customized message you can message you would like to provide them. This way it would make it easy to give such a special gift, to anyone in the world. You can message me on eBay with the special request, providing the specific shipping address and the message you would like to include. Items are shipped quickly and come with a very special certificate of authenticity which allows a beginner or an expert to appreciate the ancient coin you picked out.

Lots of blessings to you and your loved ones!

List of names:

- Adrian as in [Hadrian](#) - Roman Emperor: 117-138 A.D. , or the city of [Hadrianopolis](#) in [Thrace](#)
- Alexander as in [Alexander III the Great](#), city of [Alexandria Troas](#), city of [Alexandria](#) in [Egypt](#)
- Alexius or Alexey as in [Alexius I, Comnenus - Byzantine Emperor: 4 April 1081 – 15 August 1118 A.D.](#)
- Anastasia as in [Anastasius](#), Byzantine Emperor

- Angel, Angela as in the prototype of the Angel, Greek Goddess Nike [Nike](#), or the Roman Equivalent, [Victory](#), [Alexius III Angelus - Emperor: 8 April 1195 - 17 July 1203 A.D.](#)
- Antonin as in [Antoninus Pius - Roman Emperor: 138-161 A.D.](#)
 - Arkadiy as in [Arcadius - Roman Emperor: 383-408 A.D.](#)
 - Athena as in [Athena](#) the Greek Goddess of Wisdom, who's Roman equivalent was [Minerva](#)
 - Claudio or Claudiy as in [Claudius - Roman Emperor: 41-54 A.D.](#) -
 - Constantine as in [Constantine I 'The Great' - Roman Emperor: 307-337 A.D.](#) and other Roman and Byzantine names with [Constantine](#)
 - Diana as in [Diana](#), the Roman goddess of the hunt, whose Greek equivalent was [Artemis](#)
 - Dimitry, or Dmitry or Demetrios as in the Greek Goddess, [Demeter](#) or as the ancient name of [Demetrios](#) or [Demetrius](#)
 - Eudakia as in the Roman empereses [Eudoxia](#) and [Eudocia](#),
 - Florian as in the Roman emperor [Florian](#)
 - Helen or Helena or other Derivations as in the Roman empress and saint [Helena](#) who was mother of Constantine the Great
 - Ivan as [Ivan Alexander](#) or others with the name of Ivan
 - Jesus as in [Jesus Christ](#) as depicted on ancient coins
 - Johann as in [John](#), a name used by Byzantine emperors, or [Johannes](#), one of the late Roman emperors
 - John or Johnathan or Jonathan as in [John](#) used historically since ancient biblical times.
 - Julia as in [Julia](#) the name used by various empresses historically.
 - Julian as in [Julian II 'The Apostate' - Roman Caesar: 355-361 A.D. - Emperor: 361-363 A.D.](#) -
 - Julius as the name [Julius](#) was used historically, beginning with best known, [Julius Caesar](#)
 - Justin as in the name [Justin](#) or [Justinian](#) used by Byzantine emperors
 - Kristi as derived from [Jesus Christ](#)
 - Larissa as in the name [Larissa](#) given to several great ancient Greek cities, most well-known and important being [Larissa, Thessaly](#)
 - Laura or Lori as in the [Laurel Wreath](#) known as a symbol of victory, placed atop a victory's head by the Greek goddess of Victory, Nike or Roman Equivalent, Victory
 - Leo or Lev as in [Leo](#) the Byzantine Emperor, or where it stemmed form, the [Lion](#)
 - Livia as in [Livia](#) the wife of emperor Augustus
 - Lucilla as in the Roman empress [Lucilla](#)
 - Lydia as in the ancient region of [Lydia](#)
 - Manuel or Emmanuel as in the the Byzantine Emeror [Manuel I, Comnenus](#)
 - Mark or Marcus or Marc as in [Marc Antony](#) or [Marcus Aurelius](#), two of the most famous ancient Roman personages
 - Mary as in Virgin [Mary](#)
 - Max as in [Maxentius](#) or [Magnus Maximus](#) or [Maximus](#)
 - Michael as [Michael](#) used by Byzantine emperors or the archangel
 - Nicholas, Nick, Nicola, Nicole, Nika, Niketas, Niki, Nikita, Nikolai, Nils, Klaas, Ike as derivations from the Greek goddess of Victory, [Nike](#), the prototype of the angel, whose Roman equivalent is [Victory](#).
 - Persephone as in the Greek goddess [Persephone](#)
 - Philip as in [Philip II](#), Father of Alexander the Great, or [Philip](#) used by the Romans or the city of [Philippopolis](#).
 - Romulus as in [Romulus](#), one of the founders of Rome, brother of Remus
 - Rose as in the [Rose](#) depicted on ancient coins of
 - Sabina as in [Sabina](#), the wife of Roman emperor Hadrian, 117-138 A.D.
 - Sophia as in [Sophia](#) the Byzantine Queen
 - Traian as in the Roman Emperor [Trajan](#) and [Trajan Decius](#)
 - Valentinian as in the Roman Emperors by the name of [Valentinian](#)
 - Valerian as in the Roman Emperors by the name of [Valerian](#)
 - Victor or Victoria as in the Roman name for the goddess of [Victory](#) whose Greek equivalent is [Nike](#).
 - Yan or Yana as in [Janus](#), the Roman god
 - Zeus as in the Greek god [Zeus](#), or his Roman equivalent, [Jupiter](#)
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