RARE Authentic Ancient GREEK Coins from circa 500-100BC Collection and Collecting Guide



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Welcome to my article regarding the rarest ancient Greek coins. The goal of this video is to make owning the rarest ancient Greek coins easy and fun to do. The coins picked for this article and video are the rarest ones, according to Oliver D. Hoover's Handbook of Greek Coins (abbreviated to HGC when I cite these multi volumes). This article and video is designed to show you some very rare and even super rare ancient Greek coins along with how to research them, the best references to get and how and where to get them.

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Rare coins from the Video:

TYNDARIS in SICILY 44BC Caps of Dioscuri Dolphin Ancient Greek Coin i43656



Authentic Ancient Coin of: **Greek city of Tyndaris in Sicily**Bronze 22mm (6.15 grams) Struck circa 44-36 B.C. or later
Reference: HGC 2, 1641 (R2); RPC I, no. 650 (Segesta)
M.VIPS.DOSV.F ..., Pilei surmounted by stars.
EX/D.D, Dolphin leaping right.

Founded by Dionysios of Syracuse in 396 B.C. for the settlement of exiles from Greece expelled by the Spartans following the Peloponnesian War. The city was named after Tyndareos, father of the Dioscuri.

TAUROMENION in SICILY 392BC Phrygian Helmet Rare R1 Ancient Greek Coin i51560



Authentic Ancient Coin of: **Greek city of Tauromenion in Sicily**Silver 12mm (1.72 grams) Struck circa 392-358 B.C.
Reference: HGC 2, 1608 (R1); CNS III, nos. 2-3
Phrygian helmet right.
TA monogram within laurel wreath.

Thermai Himeraiai Sicily 407BC RARE R1 Ancient Greek Coin Hera Hercules i51587



Authentic Ancient Coin of: **Greek city of Thermai Himeraiai in Sicily**Bronze 14mm (2.77 grams) Struck 407-340 B.C.
Reference: HGC 2, 1627 (R1); Sear 1111; B.M.C.2.2
Head of Hera right, wearing stephanos ornamented with honeysuckle.
Head of young Hercules right, in lion's skin.

The refugees from Himera were permitted by the Carthaginians to found a new settlement at the hot springs not far from the the old city.

Kings of Paphlagonia Pylaimenes II or III Rare 133BC Rare R1 Greek Coin i53320



Authentic Ancient

Greek coin of the Kings of Paphlagonia King Pylaimenes II or III

Bronze 16mm (3.91 grams) Struck circa 133-103 B.C. Reference: SNG Black Sea 1555-1556; HGC 7, 441 Rare R1; Sear 3715; B.M.C.13.103,2-3 Bull's head facing.

Winged caduceus; $BA\Sigma I \Lambda E \Omega \Sigma$ to right, $\Pi Y \Lambda A I M E NOY / E Y E P \Gamma E T O Y to left.$

AKRAGAS in SICILY 400BC River God Easgle Crab Hexonkia RARE R1 Greek Coin i53385



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Akragas in Sicily

Bronze Hexonkia 27mm (17.10 grams) Struck circa 400-380 B.C. Reference: HGC 2, 139 (R1); CNS I, p. 194-195, nos. 89-89 st 1 AKPAΓAΣ, Horned head of River-god Gelas left, wearing tainia. Eagle standing left on Ionic column, head right, crab to left; value mark (six pellets) to right.

Akragas SICULO-PUNIC Sicily Carthage Silver Greek Hannibal Time Coin R2 i53514



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Akragas in Sicily SICULO-PUNIC coin struck for Carthage Time of 2nd Punic War against Rome led by general Hannibal

Silver Eighth Shekel or Hemidrachm 14mm (1.17 grams) Struck circa 214-210 B.C. Reference: HGC 2, 173 Rare R2; SNG ANS 3, no. 1233
Male head (ostensibly Triptolemus) right, wreathed with grain.
Punic letters below horse galloping right.

The city of Carthage had many cities of Sicily under their control during the 2nd Punic war with Akragas being one of them. This is an excellent example of a Carthaginian coin being struck in Sicily, giving it the name of being Siculo-Punic.

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THASOS Thrace Island 411BC Silenos Dolphins RARE R1 Silver Greek Coin i53881



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Thasos, an Island off Thrace

Silver Hemiobol 7mm (0.38 grams) Struck circa 411-404 B.C. Reference: HGC 6, 340 Rare R1; Le Rider 12 Head of Silenos right. Θ-A-Σ, Dolphin leaping left above dolphin leaping right.

Antiochos III the Great 223BC RARE R1 Seleukid King Greek Coin Elephant i54343



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Seleukid Empire

Antiochos III, Megas - King: 222-187 B.C.

Bronze 11mm (1.57 grams) Sardes mint: 223-187 B.C.

Reference: HGC 9, 560 (Rare R1); SC 979; Newell, WSM 1114; SNG Spaer 615

Laureate head of Apollo right.

 $BA\Sigma I\Lambda E\Omega\Sigma$ / ANTIOXOY above and below Elephant advancing left; upturned anchor before.

PANORMOS in SICILY 415BC Trionkion Ancient Greek Coin ROOSTER Rare R1 i55282



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Panormos in Sicily

Bronze Tetras or Trionkion 20mm (11.10 grams) Struck circa 415-400 B.C. Reference: HGC 2, 1054 Rare R1; CNS I, p. 269, nos. 2-2/5 Cock (rooster) standing right.

Three pellets value mark.

The principal Phoenician city in Sicily, Panormos produced a limited coinage in the latter part of the 5th Century; but following the great success of Carthaginian arms, 409-405 B.C., the issues of the mint became much larger. The types are mostly copied form the coinages of other Sicilian cities, such as Gela, Segesta and Syracuse.

SOLUS in SICILY 4thCenBC Athena Archer RARE R1 Genuine Ancient Greek Coin i55286



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Solus in Sicily

Bronze 13mm (2.11 grams) Struck late fourth century B.C.
Reference: HGC 2, 1254 Rare R1; CNS I. p. 309, nos. 5-5/3; Sear 1181; B.M.C.2.,p.242,5
Head of Athena three-quarter face to right, wearing triple-crested Attic helmet.
Punic legend 'kfra'. Naked archer kneeling right, about to discharge arrow from bow.

A Phoenician town not far from Panormos, and a dependency of Carthage until the First Punic War.

AKRAGAS in SICILY 450BC RARE R1 Eagle Crab Ancient Tooth Shape Greek Coin i56152



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Akragas in Sicily

Bronze Trias 17x16x12mm (11.71 grams) Cast circa 450 B.C. Reference: Sear 1020; B.M.C. 2.,p. 24, nos. 3,4; HGC 2, 127 Rare (R1) On one side, two eagle's heads back to back, A beneath the one on left; on the other, crab; on the base, three pellets (value mark).

* Numismatic Note: Tooth-shaped, with flat base, and possibly a weight rather than actual coin.

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ORCHOMENOS in BOEOTIA 371BC Grain Shield Star Rare R1 Ancient Greek Coin i56244



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Orchomenos in BoeotiaBronze 15mm (2.91 grams) Struck circa 371-364 B.C.

Reference: HGC 4, 1260 Rare R1; Babelon III, no. 326; BCD Boiotia 225 and 227a Boeotian shield decorated with grain ear. E - P - X - O, Eight-pointed star around central pellet.

LEONTINI SICILY 2-1CenBC RARE R1 Authentic Ancient Greek Coin APOLLO LION i57281



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Leontini in Sicily

Bronze 14mm (2.54 grams) Struck late second-early first centuries B.C. Reference: HGC 2, 725 **Rare R1**; CNS III, p. 83, nos. 15-15/4; Sear 1122 var. Laureate head of Apollo left; plow to right. Forepart of lion facing left; monogram blow.

EUKRATIDES I - NGC AU Silver Tetradrachm RARE R1 Indo Greek Baktria Coin i57701



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Indo Greek & Baktria Kingdom in India Eukratides I Megas - King circa 171-145 B.C.

Silver Tetradrachm 34mm (16.08 grams) Uncertain mint in the Paropamisadai or Gandhara Reference: HGC 12, 131; Bopearachchi Série 6; Bopearachchi & Rahman -; SNG ANS 473; MIG Type 1771 Certification: NGC Ancients AU Strike: 5/5 Surface: 2/5 4278655-007

Diademed and draped bust right, wearing crested helmet adorned with bull's horn and ear; all within bead-and-reel border.

BAΣΙΛΕΩΣ ΜΕΓΑΛΟΥ above, EYKPAΤΙΔΟΥ below, the Dioskouroi on horses rearing right, palm fronds and lances; monogram to right.

SELEUKOS II Kallinikos 246BC Seleukid RARE R2 R3 Ancient Greek Coin i57711



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Seleukid Empire Seleukos II Kallinikos - King: 246-225 B.C.

Bronze 16mm (3.70 grams) Magnesia on the Maiandros or perhaps Ephesos mint Reference: HGC 9, 347 (**Rare R2-R3**); SC 670 and 673
Head of Artemis artemis right, wearing stephane.

BAΣΙΛΕΩΣ / ΣΕΛΕΥΚΟΥ either side of Apollo Delphios standing left, holding arrow and grounded bow.

ANTIOCHOS III Megas 222BC Seleukid RARE R3 Authentic Ancient Greek Coin i58035



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Seleukid Empire

Antiochos III, Megas - King: 222-187 B.C.

Bronze 17mm (8.62 grams) Uncertain Mint 67 in Seleukia or Mesopotamia Reference: HGC 9, 527 Rare R3

Diademed head of Antiochos III right.

BAΣΙΛΕΩΣ ANTIOXOY, Apollo seated left on omphalos, holding arrow and grounded bow; monogram in field to left

PHILIP V Macedonia King 221BC RARE R1 Ancient Greek Coin HERCULES GOATS i58071



Authentic Ancient

Greek coin of the Kingdom of Macedonia Philip V - King: 221-179 B.C.

Bronze 19mm (7.22 grams) Struck circa 221-179 B.C. Reference: HGC 3, 1068 Rare R1; Sear 6797; Forrer/Weber 2204 Head of young Hercules right, clad in lion's skin. BA / Φ above and beneath two goats kneeling right, side by side.

SYRACUSE SICILY 269BC Hieron II Apollo Horse RARE R1 Ancient Greek Coin i58437



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Syracuse in Sicily

Bronze 17mm (4.79 grams) under king Hieron II, struck circa 269/265-240 B.C. Reference: HGC 2, 1552 Rare R1; CNS II, p. 407, nos. 202-202/7 Laureate head of Apollo left. $IEP\Omega NO\Sigma, Horse \ galloping \ right.$

When in it's foundations that the city of Syracuse only consisted of the island of Ortygia, that island was said to have been the home of the nymph Arethusa. She had been a chaste, faithful attendant of Artemis. It is said that she got the unwanted attentions from the river god, Alpheios, while bathing in his Peloponnesian stream. Artemis hid her in a cloud in an attempt to save her, however she sweated so profusely out of fear that she was transformed into a stream. Artemis broke apart the ground to allow her to escape. She found her way to the island of Ortygia where she became the fountain on that island.

ADRANON in SICILY Rare R1 344BC Athena Octopus Genuine Ancient Greek Coin i59226



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Adranon in Sicily

Bronze Hemilitron 18mm (5.04 grams) Struck circa 344-336 B.C.
Reference: HGC 2, 40 **Rare R1;** SNG ANS -; Calciati III pg. 160, 7; BMC Sicily -; SNG Copenhagen -; SNG Morcom 506; Laffaille -; Virzi 505; Campana 9; CNS 7

Head of Athena in Corinthian helmet left.

A-Δ-P-A-N-Ω-N, octopus facing.

AKRAGAS SICILY Rare R1 Silver Tetradrachm Eagle Crab Ancient Greek Coin i60291



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Akragas in Sicily

Silver Tetradrachm 24mm (17.20 grams) struck circa 464-446 B.C. Reference: HGC 2, 87 **Rare R1**; SNG Lewis 289, SNG ANS 979-981 Pedigree: Ex Christopher "Kit" Reed Collection Sea eagle standing left; AKRAC-ANTOΣ (partially retrograde) around. Crab within shallow incuse circle.

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LARISSA THESSALY 360BC BULL HORSE MAN Ancient Silver Greek Coin RARE R2 i60293



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Larissa in Thessaly

Silver Drachm 18mm (6.03 grams) Struck circa 360-356 B.C.

Reference: HGC 4, 449 **Rare R2**; Hermann pl. IV, 17; SNG Copenhagen 118; BCD Thessaly I, 1136; BCD Thessaly II, 186 | Pedigree: Ex Christopher "Kit" Reed Collection

ΛΑΡΙΣΑΙΟΝ above bull running right.

Horseman wearing kausia and cape riding right.

LARISSA in THESSALY 369BC RARE R2 Aleuas Eagle Ancient Silver Greek Coin i60294



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Larissa in Thessaly

Silver Drachm 18mm (6.07 grams) Struck circa 369-360 B.C.

Reference: HGC 4, 438 **Rare R2**; BCD Thessaly I, 1135; BCD Thessaly II, 185; Babelon IV, 699; Herrmann group VIII, pl. VII, 11; SNG Copenhagen -; BMC 12; Jameson 2469; Gulbenkian 473 (all from the same dies) | Pedigree: Ex Christopher "Kit" Reed Collection; Ex CNG Sale 78, May 14, 2008. Lot 463 ΛΕΥ, head of Aleuas facing three-quarters left, wearing conical helmet (pileus), labrys in field to right. ΛΑΡΙΣΣΑΙΑ, Eagle standing left on thunderbolt, head turned right; ΕΛΛΑ to left.

This is one of the rarest issues of Larissa, and also one with the most different interpretations. In one this drachm is meant to have been struck as propaganda for the Aleuad Hellanokrates, whose name appears on the reverse, against the machinations of Alexander of Pherai in 361. Another view sees it as a homage to Alexander III of Macedon, in honor of the supposed joint ancestry of the Macedonian royal house and the Thessalians, and thus it would date to the mid 330s, at the same time as Alexander's own early eagle coinage. The further possibility of this being a result of Alexander of Pherai's occupation of Larissa in 370 seems very unlikely.

A note from BCD: Hoard information certainly dismisses the possibility of this coin having been sruck in the 330's BC.



Authentic Ancient

Greek coin of the Kingdom of Bosporus Leukon II - Spartocid Dynasty King, circa 240-220 B.C.

Bronze 24mm (12.40 grams) Pantikapaion mint Reference: HGC 7, 189 Rare R1; MacDonald 99; Anohin 134 Head of young Hercules right, wearing lion skin headdress. BAΣΙΛΕΩΣ / ΛΕΥΚΩΝΟΣ above and below the club and bow of Hercules.

DEMETRIOS I POLIORKETES Macedonia - RARE R1 Poseidon Athena Greek Coin i60718



Authentic Ancient Greek Coin of:

Macedonian Kingdom Demetrios I, Poliorketes - King: 306-283 B.C.

Bronze 19mm (4.65 grams) Mint in Caria, struck circa 298-295 B.C.

Reference: HGC 3, 1021 Rare R1; Newell 1927, nos. 39 and 166; SNG München -; SNG Alpha Bank -; Weber 2176 Laureate head of Poseidon right.

BAΣΙΛΕΩΣ / ΔΗΜΗΤΡΙΟΥ, Athena Promachos standing right, preparing to throw spear and holding shield; monogram to inner left, double-axe (labrys) to inner right.

Son of Antigonos the One-eyed, Demetrios Poliorketes (the 'Besieger') was a romantic character who pursued a most colorful career spanning more than three decades. In his earlier years he assisted his father, whose power was centered in Asia Minor, and in 306 he achieved a great naval victory over Ptolemy of Egypt, in the battle of Salamis, off the coast of Cyprus. After many vicissitudes he seized the Macedonian throne in 294, although he reigned for only six years the dynasty which he founded lasted until the end of the Macedonian Kingdom. He died as a captive in Syria in 283 B.C.

PHILIP V or VI ANDRISKOS 200BC RARE R1 Ancient Greek Coin PERSEUS HARPA i61410



Authentic Ancient

Greek coin of the Kingdom of Macedonia Philip V - King: 221-179 B.C.

Bronze 14mm (3.39 grams) Pella or Amphipolis mint
Struck under Philip V, circa 200-179 B.C. or Philip VI Andriskos (circa 150-148 B.C.)
Reference: HGC 3, 1081 **Rare R1**; Mamroth 1935, no. 28
Head of Perseus in Phrygian helmet right.
BA/Φ, Harpa; all within oak wreath.

* Numismatic Note: Very interesting type that could be attributed to even Philip VI!

Amphipolis mint Macedonia 149BC PHILIP VI ANDRISKOS Rare R1 Greek Coin i61821



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Amphipolis in Macedonia

Striking for Macedonia "MAKE Δ ON Ω N" as a unified Region Bronze 20mm (6.81 grams) Amphipolis mint

Probably struck under Philip VI Andriskos, circa 149-148 B.C.

Reference: HGC 3, 333 Rare R1; AMNG III.2, p. 38, nos. 70-71

Laureate head of Apollo right.

MAKE / Δ ON Ω N above and below bow and kithara (lyre); monogram to right.

ELEUSIS in ATTICA near ATHENS RARE R1 Triptolemus Boar Ancient Greek Coin i63315

Item: *i63315*



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city <u>Eleusis</u> in <u>Attica</u> Eleusian Festival Coinage

Bronze 14mm (3.25 grams) Struck circa 322/317-307 B.C.

Reference: Sear 2574 var.; HGC 4, 1769 (<u>Rare R1</u>) (<u>Athens</u>); Kroll 1993, nos. 48-49 Triptolemos, favorite of Demeter, seated left in winged car drawn by serpents, holding corn-ears. EΛΕΥ above boar standing right on bacchos (mystic staff); all within grain wreath.

The obverse is inspired by a statue of Triptolemos that was presumably still in its temple when Pausanias (I. 38, 6) visited Eleusis in about AD 160: "The Eleusians have a temple to Triptolemos... They say that the plain called Rharion was the first to be sown and the first to grow crops... Here is shown a threshing floor and altar. My dream forbade the description of the things within the wall of the sanctuary, and the uninitiated are of course not permitted to learn that which they are prevented from seeing."

Situated north-west of Athens, Eleusis possessed a magnificent temple of Demeter, and gave it's name to the famous Eleusinian mysteries, concerned with the cults of Demeter and Persephone.

RHODES Caria Island RARE R1 Helios of Colossus Ancient Silver Greek Coin i63367



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of **Rhodes** on an Island off **Caria**

Silver Hemidrachm 11mm (1.51 grams) Struck circa 275-250 B.C.

Reference: HGC 6, 1447 Rare R1

Pedigree / Provenance: Ex Coin Galleries Mail Bid Sale February 10, 1993 Lot No. 424

Head of Helios facing three-quarters right.

P-O, rose with bud right; magistrate's name API Σ TONOMO Σ above; prow of galley in field to left.

This coin, with the head of Helios is a reference to the great "Colossus of Rhodes" statue in the city, one of the Seven

HIMERA SICILY 420BC Hemilitron RARE R2 Ancient Greek Coin Gorgon NGC XF i58224



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Himera in Sicily

Bronze Hemilitron 24mm (18.14 grams) Struck circa 430-420 B.C.
Reference: HGC 2, 463 Rare R2; Sear 1105; B.M.C. 2.,p.39,27-30; CNS I, p. 25, nos. 1-1/2
Certification: NGC Ancients XF Strike: 4/5 Surface: 4/5 4375810-012
Gorgon's head facing.
Six pellets.

AKRAGAS in SICILY 510BC Didrachm EAGLE CRAB Silver Greek Coin RARE R1 NGC i58237



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Akragas in Sicily

Silver Didrachm 21mm (8.24 grams) Struck circa 510-500 B.C. Reference: HGC 2, 87 Rare R1; Jenkins 1970, Group Ia **Certification: NGC Ancients Ch VF Strike: 4/5 Surface: 2/5 4375810-015** AKRA/CANTOΣ, Eagle standing left. Crab.

PHERAI THESSALY 302BC Ennodia Hypereia Lion Rare R2 Silver Greek Coin NGC i59921



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Pherai in Thessaly

Silver Hemidrachm 15mm (2.80 grams) Struck circa 302-286 B.C.

Reference: HGC 4; 553 Rare R2; Jameson 2474; BCD Thessaly I, lot 1321; BCD Thessaly II, lot 714

Certification: NGC Ancients Ch VF 4375823-400

Laureate head of Ennodia left; torch to right.

 Φ EPAIOYN, Hypereia standing left, touching lion head fountain; A Σ TO within wreath in field to left.

PANTIKAPAION in Bosporus 370BC Pan Lion RARE R2 Silver Greek Coin NGC i60088



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Pantikapaion in Cimmerian Bosporus

Silver Hemidrachm 12mm (2.50 grams) Struck circa 370-355 B.C. Reference: HGC 7, 68 Rare R2; MacDonald 45; Anohin 104

Certification: NGC Ancients F 4375823-314

Head of young Pan, the satyr, right, wreathed with ivy. ΠΑΝΤΙ, Lion advancing right, head reverted.

PANTIKAPAION Black Sea Bosporus RARE R2 Ancient Silver Greek Coin NGC XF i60125



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of Pantikapaion in Cimmerian Bosporus

Silver Diobol 13mm (1.34 grams) Struck circa 450-437 B.C.

Reference: HGC 7, 34 (**Rare R2**); SNG Strancomb 580; SNG BM Black Sea 841; MacDonald 11/1; Anohin 20 Certification: NGC Ancients XF 4375823-269

Lion's head facing.

Quadrapartitie incuse square with two raised compartments and two enclosing stellate pattern.

Sinope Paphlago nia Tyche Eagle RARE R1 Authentic Silver Greek Coin NGC i60163



Authentic Ancient Coin of: **Greek city of Sinope in Paphlagonia** Silver Hemidrachm 14mm (1.95 grams) Struck circa 300-200 B.C.

Reference: HGC 7, 411 (R1); Sear 3704; SNG Black Sea 1510-1512; B.M.C.13.98,30-32

Certification: NGC Ancients Ch VF 4375823-241

Turreted head of Tyche left.

Eagle flying upward, head left; $\Sigma IN-\Omega$ in lower field; bunch of grapes to left; monogram in field to right.

PANTIKAPAION BOSPORUS 310BC RARE R1 Ancient Greek Coin PAN & GRIFFIN NGC i61937



Authentic Ancient Coin of: Greek city of Pantikapaion in Cimmerian Bosporus

Bronze 21mm (7.57 grams) Struck circa 310-303 B.C.

Reference: HGC 7, 113 Rare R1; MacDonald 69; Anohin 111; Sear 1700; B.M.C.3.20

Certification: NGC Ancients AU 4529163-004

Head of Pan, the satyr right.

ΠΑΝ, Forepart of griffin advancing left; sturgeon below.

ALEXANDER II ZABINAS RARE R1 Seleukid Silver Greek Tetradrachm Coin NGC i62454



Authentic Ancient:

Greek Coin of Seleukid Kingdom

Alexander II Zabinas - Reigned: 128-123 B.C.

Silver Tetradrachm 28mm Damaskos mint, dated Seleukid Era (SE) year 190, 123/122 B.C.

Reference: HGC 1149 Rare R1-R2; SC 2248.6. Certification: NGC Ancients XF 1884244-037 Diademed head of Alexander Zabinas right.

BAΣΙΛΕΩΣ ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΟΥ, Zeus seated left, holding Nike and scepter; monograms to outer left and below throne, date in exergue.

Surnamed Zebina or Zabinas ("the Bought One"), son of a merchant, but claiming to an adopted son of <u>Antiochos VII Sidetes</u>, or biological son of <u>Alexander Balas</u>. He was set up by <u>Ptolemy VII</u>of the Ptolemaic Kingdom of Egypt as a pretender to the throne of the <u>Seleukid kingdom</u>, shortly after the return of <u>Demetrios II Nikator</u> from his captivity among the <u>Parthians</u>, circa B.C. 128. He defeated Demetrios in 125, but was afterwards defeated by the forces of <u>Cleopatra Thea</u> and her son <u>Antiochos VIII Grypos</u> by whom he was put to death in 122.

SINOPE in PAPHLAGONIA 306BC RARE R1 Ancient Silver Greek Coin GALLEY NGC i63897



Authentic Ancient Coin of:

Greek city of **Sinope** in **Paphlagonia**

Silver Hemidrachm 14mm (2.48 grams) Struck 306-290 B.C. Reference: Sear 3700; HGC 7, 421 Rare R1; SNG Black Sea 1504-1508 Certification: NGC Ancients XF Strike: 4/5 Surface: 4/5 2068695-010 head of nymph Sinope left, hair rolled, wearing turreted head-dress. $\Sigma IN\Omega$ above prow left; before, aplustre and monogram.

A colony of Miletos, founded in the 7th century B.C., Sinope rose to become the most important city on the southern coastline of the Black Sea. Sinope was the city of Mithradates VI's birth.