**Littleton’s Illustrated Guide to**

**Mint Marks on Regular-Issue U.S. Coins**

**Philadelphia:** Mint mark “P” – coinage years 1793 to date. Since this was the first U.S. Mint and has always been the main facility, most coins from historic Philadelphia have no mint mark. Exceptions are the Wartime nickels of 1942-45 (shown), Anthony dollars of 1979-81, and all other Philadelphia coins after 1979 except the cent.

**Denver:** Mint mark “D” – coinage years 1906 to date. Establishment of a Denver Mint was the natural result of major gold and silver discoveries in Colorado in the late 1800s. Note: Collectors should not confuse the Denver “D” on coins 1906 to date with the “D” mint mark on gold coins of 1838-61 struck at the short-lived Dahlonega, Georgia facility.

**San Francisco:** Mint mark “S” – coinage years 1854 to 1955, 1968 to date. The mint facility in this romantic and popular West Coast city was opened shortly after the 1849 gold rush in California. It was more economical to refine and coin locally than to ship raw bullion ore all the way to Philadelphia. No “S” coins were minted from 1956-67.

**Carson City:** Mint mark “CC” – coinage years 1870-1893. Named after the famous frontiersman Kit Carson, this intriguing capital city of Nevada was chosen as a mint location because of its nearness to such rich silver mines as the Comstock Lode of Virginia City, Nevada. Note: “C” mint mark gold coins were struck from 1838-61 at Charlotte, North Carolina.

**New Orleans:** Mint mark “O” – coinage years 1838-1861, 1879 to 1909. Nicknamed the “Crescent City” for its location stretching around a bend in the Mississippi River, fascinating New Orleans was the site of a branch mint which handled bullion ore from southern mines. After closure, the building lay vacant until converted to a museum and art center.

**About Mint Mark Punches:** Until the 1990s, dies for branch mints were hand-punched with the mint mark, and the size and location of the mint mark varied depending on where and how deeply the punch was impressed. Before 1900, the punches themselves varied greatly in size. Nowadays, mint marks are added directly to the master dies, and are transferred along with the coin designs to the dies that are used to strike coins.

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Washington Quarter..............................1932-64
No coins minted 1953

Liberty Walking Half Dollar ...............1916-17

Washington Quarter..............................1965-98
No Mint Marks 1965-67
All 1975 & 1976 Quarters have Bicentennial reverse and were dated 1776-1976

All Statehood Quarters have special state reverse design

America's National Parks Quarter......2010-Date

Franklin Half Dollar..............................1948-65
No Mint Marks 1955-56

Liberty Seated Half Dollar .................1839-91
No Mint Marks 1839, 1879-91

Liberty Walking Half Dollar.............. 1917-47
No coins minted 1922, 1924-26, 1930-32

Barber Half Dollar.........................1892-1915

Liberty Seated Dollar......................1840-73
No Mint Marks 1840-45, 1847-49, 1852-58, 1861-69

Kennedy Half Dollar...........................1964
No coins minted 1965-20

Kennedy Half Dollar.......................1965 to Date
No Mint Marks 1965-67
All 1975 & 1976 Half Dollars have Bicentennial reverse and are dated 1776-1976

Liberty Seated Dollar......................1880-1909
No Mint Marks 1880-1907

Morgan Dollar..................................1878-1921
No coins minted 1905-20

Peace Dollar ..................................1921-35
No Mint Marks 1921. No coins minted 1929-33

Eisenhower Dollar..............................1971-78
All 1975 & 1976 Dollars have Bicentennial reverse and are dated 1776-1976

Susan B. Anthony Dollar..............1979-81, 1999
No coins minted 1982-1998

Trade Dollar ..................................1873-85
No coins minted 1879-85

Sacagawea Dollar .........................2000-2008

Native American Dollar......................2009-Date
Mint mark on edge of coin

Presidential Dollar..........................2007-Date
Mint mark on edge of coin