Object: Sriblianyk Type IV. Coin of Volodymyr Sviatoslavych Museum: Національний музей історії України вулиця Володимирська, 2 01001 Київ +380442784864 history museum@nmiu.org Collection: Монети Русі 10-14 ст., Нумізматика AU-744 Inventory number:

Description

Sriblianyks were the first minted silver coins of Ancient Rus, which were minted at the end of the 10th – beginning of the 11th century during the reign of Volodymyr Sviatoslavovych (972–1015) after the adoption of Christianity and became a kind of declaration of the sovereignty of the East Slavic state. Ancient Rus coins are one of the oldest artifacts of Ancient Rus fine art, writing and language.

On the obverse of the coin, in the center of the field, in a dot frame, there is a full-length figure of the Grand Prince Volodymyr, sitting on a throne. The throne is depicted without a back. On the prince's head is a cap with pendants and a cross, above his head is a nimbus. The prince holds a cross in his right hand, his left hand is on his chest. A legend is around it. On the reverse, in the center of the field, in a double dot frame, there is a small and clear trident as the ancestral sign of the Riuryk dynasty. There is inscription around it. Sriblianyks of the 4th type differ from the previous ones by the high quality of the image, the observance of the proportions of the image of the prince, the princely insignia and the throne, the details of the princely clothes and headdress, the only script of the writings and the correctness of the writing of the legend.

The coin was found in 1852 as part of a hoard near the town of Nizhyn while plowing a field by the peasant S. Borys.

Basic data

Material/Technique: Silver, minting

Measurements: d 27 mm, weight 2,6 g

Events

Created When 980 CE-1015

Who

Where Kyiv

Found When 1852

Who

When

Where Nizhyn

Was depicted

(Actor)

Who Vladimir the Great (960-1015)

Where

[Relation to When

person or institution]

Who Мінц-кабінет Університету св. Володимира (1835-1927)

Where

Keywords

Circulation

• Доба Середньовіччя

• Русь

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