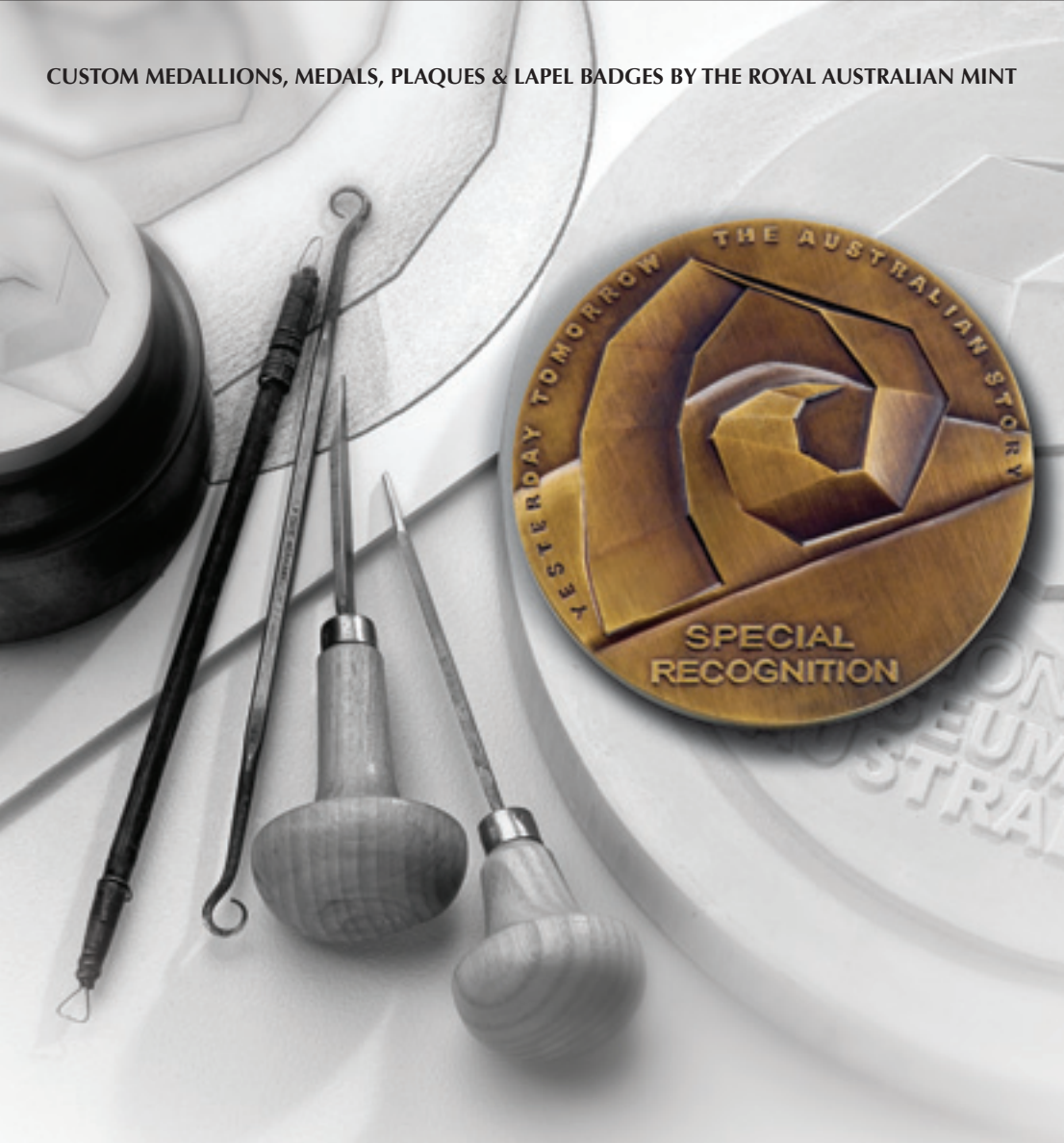


CUSTOM MEDALLIONS, MEDALS, PLAQUES & LAPEL BADGES BY THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN MINT



Give the gift of *Memories*

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN MINT



Beautiful to behold, a medal or medallion from the Royal Australian Mint makes a superb gift. At once simple and rich in meaning, these precious pieces will be valued for years as proud symbols of any special event or occasion.

A medal is a significant tribute to what we hold important — a tangible connection with the past. Whether small and inexpensive or elaborate, medals are the things from which the fondest memories are made. Just ask any Olympian. We have crafted medals for a wide range of occasions including the Commonwealth Games and the Sydney 2000 Olympic and Paralympic Games. Naturally, we have impeccable standards of craftsmanship and technology that helped us become the first Mint in the world to be accredited to International Quality Standard ISO 9002, this was updated to ISO 9001 in 2003.

ALWAYS AN APPROPRIATE GIFT

Few gifts are as thoughtful or appropriate as a specially struck medal or medallion. These pieces bring with them a sense of credibility, distinction and dignity — a reminder of what we hold important and a special celebration of achievement.

COMMEMORATIVE

Any special event can be honoured with a commemorative medal. For years to come, a medal will serve as a special reminder of the unveiling of a monument, an important milestone such as a company's anniversary, or a tribute to any event that deserves to be remembered.

SERVICE AND RETIREMENT

Medallions contribute a sense of value and distinction to any presentation to an employee. Long and faithful service deserves reward, and retirement always deserves a special thank you.

ACHIEVEMENT

Achievement in all fields of endeavour deserves special recognition. In sport, a medal is a fitting tribute to success at any level of competition, be it at the Olympic Games or little athletics. Whether you're running an international, national, state or major local sporting competition, the Mint can ensure your winners are well rewarded. Medals can also enhance ceremonies for academic achievement, accomplishments in a chosen field, such as art or science, or simply winning a promotional competition or door prize.

CORPORATE GIFT

A specially struck medallion adds a sense of credibility to your organisation and contributes prestige and honour to any corporate presentation. Apart from the obvious use of medals as awards of individual excellence or achievement, they also make valued gifts for clients and suppliers alike.

Medallions and medals of your own

Nothing adds sparkle to an occasion like a custom made medal from the Royal Australian Mint. We pride ourselves on our ability to produce personalised prestige medallions in a variety of sizes and finishes, each with a special life of its own.

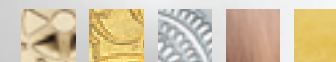
DESIGN AND MASTER TOOLING

Once you've arrived at the decision to have a medal or medallion crafted, the first stage of production is to find an appropriate design. We can either work from your finished artwork or you can consult with our team of professional artists to prepare your designs. We then create the master tooling used to strike the medallions. Naturally the cost depends on the nature and complexity of the artwork.

Importantly, some two dimensional logos can be produced using our latest computer engraving machine. However, if your design features a human portrait, or contains highly detailed features, we recommend a traditional process involving hand sculpted plaster models. Once made, the master tooling remains your property and may be used for future strikings. In addition, your tooling can be used to make other items such as lapel badges, tokens or wall plaques.



Metallie composition



The base metal of your medallion/medal has an important influence on the character of the piece. As such, you may choose from a variety of metals including bronze, bronze with silver plate, bronze with gold plate, fine silver, or deep, lustrous 24 carat gold.

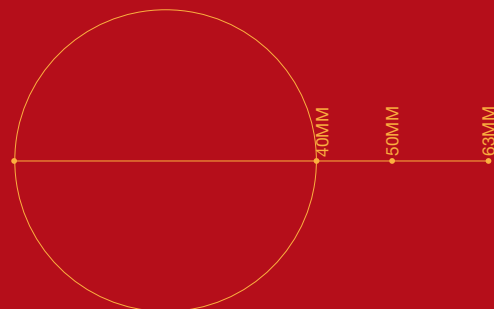


Size and finish

Choose a size and finish for your medallion that best suits your particular requirements. The standard diameters for medallions are 40mm, 50mm and 63mm. Larger sizes are also available at an additional cost. Thickness is generally advised by our craftspeople after taking into account the design complexity and the diameter, but is usually between 2mm and 5mm.

- 1 AS STRUCK – THIS FINISH IS SIMILAR TO AN UNCIRCULATED COIN
- 2 ANTIQUE – THIS FINISH GIVES A SHADOWED EFFECT TO ENHANCE THE LOOK OF THE MEDALLION
- 3 PROOF – AS STRUCK WITH EITHER A BRIGHT FINISH OR SATIN FINISH
- 4 GILT – 24-CARAT GOLD PLATE, IN EITHER BRIGHT (PROOF) OR SATIN (AS STRUCK)

Medallions crafted at the Royal Australian Mint are available in four distinctive and highly desirable finishes. To protect your investment, we apply a clear lacquer to all medallions to preserve the finish and help guard against oxidation.



Packaging

A well-crafted display package not only preserves your investment, but serves as an attractive showcase for your medallion.

Our popular jewellery-box style case is available in a variety of sizes, colours and fabrics and helps bring any precious piece to life. You may also choose to personalise your package with the application of logos, images and words stamped on the outer and/or inner lid of the presentation case, usually in a gold or silver foil. Other colours may be used on request. For extra protection, your medallions can be sealed in a clear acrylic capsule — highly recommended for proof finishes. Other packaging options are available on request.



COLOUR GUIDE





Personal engraving

To add an extra personal dimension to your medal, we offer a high quality engraving service.

The quickest and most economical engraving technique makes use of a computer controlled diamond engraving tip.

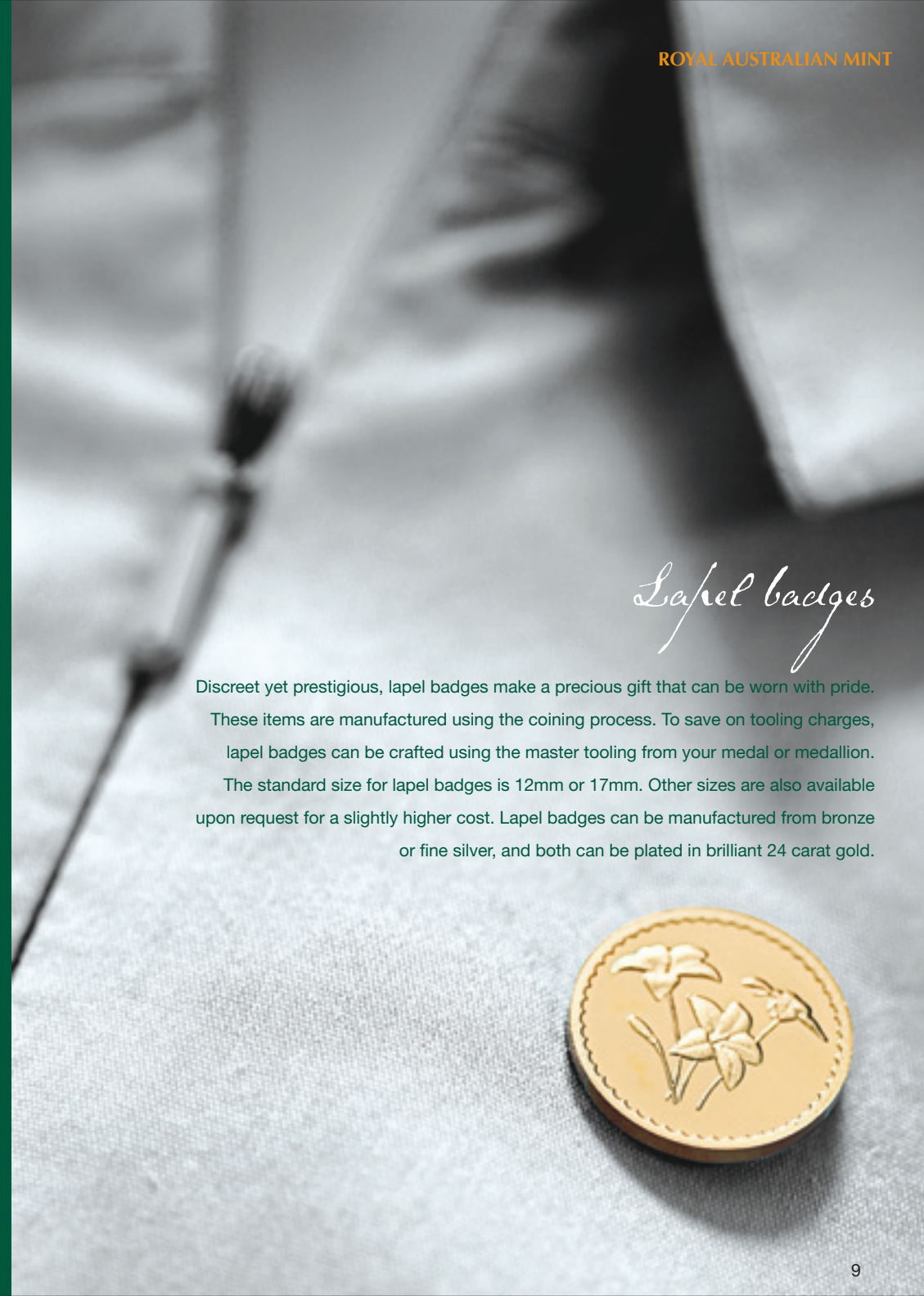
Alternatively, we offer a pantograph facility.

This deeply etches your inscription to achieve a finish very similar to coining.

While labour intensive, the results speak for themselves — this is a technique that produces a beautiful effect.

If you choose to include personal engraving on your medal, please advise us as early as possible in the design process so that complementary space can be included.

To further personalise your piece, we can also arrange to have details engraved on a matching inscription plate, appropriately packaged to complement the occasion.



Lapel badges

Discreet yet prestigious, lapel badges make a precious gift that can be worn with pride.

These items are manufactured using the coining process. To save on tooling charges, lapel badges can be crafted using the master tooling from your medal or medallion.

The standard size for lapel badges is 12mm or 17mm. Other sizes are also available upon request for a slightly higher cost. Lapel badges can be manufactured from bronze or fine silver, and both can be plated in brilliant 24 carat gold.



Tokens

Durable and effective, tokens are crafted using the same process as medallion making. Tokens are useful for promotions and vending machines, or for controlling large-scale operations where great volumes of loose change are undesirable. A range of tokens are available to your specifications. The metal used depends largely upon the intended purpose of the token, with prices varying according to the order quantity, size, metallic composition, complexity of design and your packaging requirements.



Wall plaques

Particularly suitable for display on office walls, wall plaques are cast bronze copies of your plaster. These are normally mounted on polished blocks of Australian timber such as Jarrah and have a diameter of approximately 150mm.

WOOD OPTIONS



Corporate opportunities

There are many practical uses for medallions in the corporate world. They can be used as a unique way to commemorate important company events such as an anniversary or conference. Perhaps you'd like to mark a milestone in your company history, celebrate a special win or reward a bright star of your organisation. As a gift to a client, a medallion will always be remembered fondly. On a more practical level, medallions can be used to generate interest in a product or event, or as cost effective 'calling cards' for your company. If you require more information, or a specific quote please contact Corporate Marketing at the Royal Australian Mint.





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