NEW PRODUCT RELEASE

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AUSTRALIAN BIRD OF PARADISE 2018 102 SILVER BULLION COIN

KEY SELLING POINTS

- 99.99% pure silver
- First Bird of Paradise design
- Australian legal tender
- Packaged in individual acrylic capsules
- Limited mintage 50,000



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Our latest silver bullion coin features the beautiful Victoria's Riflebird, a bird of paradise endemic to north-eastern Queensland.

The bird of paradise is famously associated with the island of New Guinea, where its beautiful plumes are used as currency by local tribes and worn as adornments during cultural ceremonies.

A remarkable example is Victoria's riflebird. Known as the 'duwuduwu' to the indigenous Yidinji people, it was recorded by Scottish naturalist John Macgillivray in 1848 and subsequently named after the reigning UK monarch, Queen Victoria.

In colour, the male bird's similarity to the uniforms of contemporary British riflemen is the purported reason for its common title. Predominantly velvety black, the plumage includes areas of iridescent greenish blue, purple and bronze which are used to showy effect during its theatrical courtship dance.

This flamboyant display involves a series of initial nodding, weaving and flapping movements. As a dramatic finale, the bird holds its head high while arching its wings skyward in a dramatic appeal for a mate.

Each coin is struck by The Perth Mint from 1oz of 99.99% pure silver, and issued as legal tender under the Australian *Currency Act 1965*.

The Perth Mint will release no more than 50,000 of the Australian Bird of Paradise 2018 1oz Silver Bullion Coin.

DESIGN

The coin's reverse depicts a representation of a Victoria's Riflebird perched on a branch with its wings outstretched and its mouth wide open. The design includes the inscription AUSTRALIAN BIRD OF PARADISE and The Perth Mint's 'P' mintmark.

The Ian Rank-Broadley effigy of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the monetary denomination and the 2018 year-date are depicted on the coin's obverse.



PRESENTATION

The Australian Bird of Paradise 2018 1oz Silver Bullion Coin is presented in an acrylic capsule.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

	1oz SILVER
Silver Content (Troy oz)	1
Monetary Denomination (AUD)	1
Fineness (% purity)	99.99
Minimum Gross Weight (g)	31.107
Maximum Diameter (mm)	40.60
Maximum Thickness (mm)	3.21
Maximum Mintage	50,000
Designer	Jennifer McKenna

Note: The year-date on each coin does not necessarily indicate the year of release or the year in which it was minted.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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