



HERCULES AND THE CAPTURE OF CERBERUS

AUREUS (GOLD) – c.276-282 CE

OBVERSE:

Inscription: IMP C MAVR PROBVVS AVG

IMP(erator) G(aius) M(arcus)

AUR(elius) PROBVVS AUG(ustus)

English: Commander Gaius Marcus Aurelius

Probus, Revered Emperor

Image: Probus with laurel headdress

REVERSE:

Inscription: HERCVLI INMORTALI

English: Immortal Hercules

Image: Hercules with club in left hand
and three-headed dog (Cerberus)
following him



VESTA & JUPITER OPTIMUS MAXIMUS

DENARIUS (SILVER) - c.68-69 CE

OBVERSE:

Inscription: VESTA P R QVIRITIVM
VESTA P(opuli) R(omani) QVIRITIVM

English: Vesta of the Roman people of citizens

Image: Statue of Vesta, Roman goddess of hearth and home, with a veil and a lighted torch in front

REVERSE:

Inscription: IO MAX CAPITOLINVS
J(upiter) O(ptimus) MAX(imus)
CAPITOLINVS

English: Jupiter of the Capitoline Hill:
the Best, the Greatest

Image: Jupiter, king of the gods, seated, holding a scepter in his left hand, in a temple

[http://numismatics.org/ocre/id/ric.1\(2\).cw.128A](http://numismatics.org/ocre/id/ric.1(2).cw.128A)



AENEAS: Founder of Rome

AUREUS (GOLD) – c. 140-143 CE

OBVERSE:

Inscription: ANTONINVS AVG PIVS P P
ANTONINVS AVG(ustus)
PIVS P(ater) P(atriciae)

English: Antoninus Pius: The Revered
Emperor, Father of the Country

Image: Antoninus Pius

REVERSE:

Inscription: TR POT COS III
TR(ibunus) POT(estas) COS(ul) III

English: Tribune of the People and Consul
for three years

Image: Aeneas, founder of Rome, carrying his
father, Anchises, on his left shoulder and
leading his son, Ascanius with his right hand



BELLEROPHON & CHIMERA

TRIHEMIDRACHM (SILVER) - c.330 BCE

OBVERSE:

Image: Bellerophon seated on a Pegasus
(a horse with wings)

REVERSE:

Image: Chimera: a lion with the head of
a goat and a snake for a tail



<http://ancientcoinage.org/other-notable-greek-heroes.html>



MINOTAUR & LABYRINTH

STATER (SILVER) - c.440 BCE

OBVERSE:

Image: A running Minotaur (a man with the head of a bull)

REVERSE:

Image: This is the Labyrinth, an elaborate maze designed by the architect Daedalus. In this myth, the Minotaur lived in the Labyrinth on the island of Crete. He was killed by the hero Theseus.

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MEDUSA & BELLEROPHON

DENARIUS (SILVER) - c.74 BCE

OBVERSE:

Inscription: SABVLA

Translation: Sabula

Image: Medusa, a woman with snakes for hair as well as wings

REVERSE:

Inscription: XVIII L COSSVTIC F
XVIII L(ucius) COSSVTI(us)
C(aii) F(ilius)

Translation: (19) Lucius Cossutius, son of Gaius

Image: Bellerophon, holding a spear, and riding a Pegasus, a winged horse, which came from the head of Medusa



MARS & AUGUSTUS

AUREUS (GOLDEN) - c.19 BCE

OBVERSE:

Inscription: CAESAR
AVGVSTVS

Translation: Caesar Augustus

Image: bare head of Augustus

REVERSE:

Inscription: SIGNIS RECEPTIS

Translation: the standards recovered

Image: Mars, helmeted and cloaked, holding an Aquila (the eagle) in his right hand and a standard on his left shoulder

