



# FIRST SPOUSE SERIES

ONE-HALF OUNCE PROOF AND UNCIRCULATED COINS

## HIGHLY COLLECTABLE SERIES

American First Ladies are now honored with First Spouse Gold Coins, which are one-half ounce, 24 karat pure gold coins minted in collector proof and uncirculated versions. This series of gold coins introduced in 2007 and set to last until 2016 compliment and are released on the same schedule as the US Mint Presidential \$1 program which honors past Presidents at a rate of four gold coins each year.

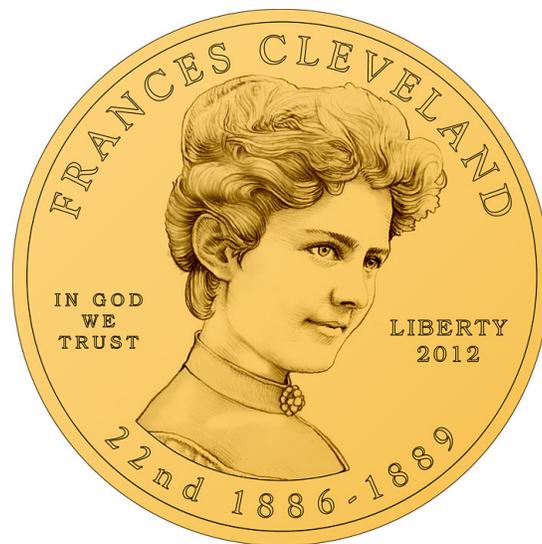


## THE FIRST SPOUSE GOLD COINS PROGRAM

The program is the first to feature women in a consecutive series of legal tender coins. The series of gold coins is authorized through the Presidential \$1 Coin Act of 2005, which was signed into law (Public Law 109-145) on Dec. 22, 2005 by President George Bush. It calls for the following coin specifications:

- A \$10 denomination
- The same diameter as the \$1 coins
- Issued as counterparts and during the same period as the circulating Presidential \$1 coins

There are two cases where a President has had more than one wife during service and two coins are issued, like John Tyler. Tyler's first wife Letitia died during his second year in office. Tyler later married Julia while still President. Under the program, both Letitia and Julia First Spouse Coins were produced.



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# FRANCES CLEVELAND - 1<sup>ST</sup> TERM 2012



## FRANCES CLEVELAND FIRST SPOUSE GOLD COIN *FIRST LADY, 1886–1889*

Frances Cleveland First Spouse Gold Coins were struck by the United States Mint to celebrate her service during Grover Cleveland's first term as President of the United States.

Frances Cleveland First Spouse Gold Coins are somewhat of an anomaly for the series. The design is the first of two to honor the same person. It will be followed later in the year by one honoring Frances' second term as First Lady.

Her husband, Grover Cleveland, is the only individual to have ever served two non-consecutive terms as President of the United States. As such, provisions in the Presidential \$1 Coin Act of 2005 (Public Law 109-145), which authorized the series, dictates that Frances be honored on two separate coins — one for each non-consecutive term. (Individuals who served consecutive terms are only honored with one coin.)

The obverse portrait on the first term Frances Cleveland First Spouse Gold Coins was designed by AIP Master Designer Joel Iskowitz and sculpted by United States Mint Sculptor-Engraver Don Everhart. The reverse depicts the working women's receptions that Frances held at the White House and was designed by AIP Associate Designer Barbara Fox and sculpted by United States Mint Sculptor-Engraver Michael Gaudio.

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## COIN SPECIFICATIONS

Year Issued: 2012

Weight: 0.5000 troy oz (15.554g)

Diameter: 1.043 inches (26.49 mm)

Edge: Reeded

Composition: .9999 Fine Gold