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Form: Circular

By: Various GRC Mint engravers / Gold Reef City Mint

Date: 1991

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Variations: Size Metal Mass Value
Same as Coinage Aluminium Alloy Light Weight \$20 (set)

Edge: Upright reeded: Pond, ½ Pond, 2½ Shillings, 2 Shillings and 1 Shilling.

Plain: 3 Pence and ½ Penny.

Obverse: Within a beaded border round the rim, bust of Paul Kruger, three quarters left. Signed: "GR" on truncation.

Reverse: Within a beaded border round the rim, Legend above in ornate letters: "Gold Reef City" and below denomination and day position varies. In the centre, image of an animal:

(1) Pond: 21.78 mm. Fish-Eagle

(2) ½ Pond: 19.28mm. Owl

(3) 21/2 Shillings: 32.0 mm. Secretary Bird

(4) 2 Shillings: 28.6 mm. Plover

(5) 1 SHILLING: 23.5 mm. Guinea-Fowl

(6) 3 Pence: 16.1mm. Wagtail (7) ½ Penny: 25.4mm. Kingfisher

Notes: Gold Reef City Mint is a privately owned South African mint. Founded in 1986, it has been authorised by the SA Mint to certain South African coins under supervision. It is part of an entertainment park near Johannesburg with gold mining a theme. These tokens were struck as a souvenir for visitors.

Gold Reef City Mint confirms that they only made this 7-coin partial set and omitted the other denominations. They made earlier full set with animals instead of birds (Laidlaw 0653).