

LET'S COLLECT

If we collect coins, we may keep them in small free-of-acid paper bags, otherwise they will get scratched. The drawings and inscriptions engraved on the coins and bills are a remarkable source of information about historic characters – emperors, kings and realms. To collect bills or coins can be a very interesting hobby, especially if we try to find out more about the coins or bills we collect.

When we think of collecting things we must take into consideration that this is not only to gather a lot of things. If we want to have many coins or many bills we have to take some care with them.

Those paper bags are also good to take notes. You should never keep your coins in plastic bags since that as time goes by they tend to stick to the coins and cause their corrosion.

If we want to collect bills, we must take care of them by placing it in a place with little light and little moisture so that the paper won't get damaged.

We should not touch the objects with dirty hands because they can get stained. I can give you some HINTS to help you organise your collections better...

Do you want to know more about collecting things?

You can collect by:

Themes: choose coins or bills about a certain theme, such as: animals, cities, historic characters, transport or any other you may think of.

Countries: choose coins or bills from countries such as Spain (peseta until January 2002), United Kingdom (pound), Timor, Angola and Mozambique, India (rupee), Macao (patacas), etc... This way you can understand better the differences between the bills or coins of each country, both through their value and through their drawings.

Signatures variation: means to collect by signatures.

Dates variation: means to collect by dates.

Curiosities– you can collect bills with defects in manufacture.

Euro – means to collect a coin from each country of the Euro area, in order to understand the differences existing in each one of them according to their country of origin.

Rare pieces – coins or bills that exist only in a small number.