# Press release

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# New Rosenlaui glacier special coin and 2023 coin sets

On 31 January 2023, the Federal Mint Swissmint will issue the new Rosenlaui glacier bimetallic coin, continuing the three-part Swiss glaciers series launched in 2022. For the first time, Swissmint will offer the coin in uncirculated quality in a coin box with a folded card with information in English, French, German and Italian, in addition to uncirculated quality in a blister pack and proof quality in a presentation case. On the same date, the bimetallic Rosenlaui glacier coin set in brilliant uncirculated and proof qualities will also be issued, as well as the completely redesigned birthday coin set. This set is available in two different versions and replaces the previous baby coin set. The new products can be purchased at www.swissmintshop.ch.

## Rosenlaui glacier 10-franc bimetallic coin from the Swiss glaciers series

The Rosenlaui glacier is located at the north-eastern end of the Bernese Alps to the south of Meiringen. It is 4.5km long with an average width of 1km and covers an area of around 6km<sup>2</sup>. This makes it one of the smaller valley glaciers in the Bernese Oberland. It begins in the Wetterkessel on the north-eastern flank of the Wetterhorn group. To the south, the glacier is connected to the Gauli glacier and the Upper Grindelwald glacier via firn-covered ridges. To the west, it is flanked by the rocky ridge of the Wellhorn and the Klein Wellhorn, and to the east by the Dossen. The glacier tongue lies at around 2,000m above sea level. Today, the Rosenlaui glacier area, together with the Aletsch glacier and the surrounding regions, is part of the Swiss Alps Jungfrau-Aletsch UNESCO World Natural Heritage Site.

The bimetallic Rosenlaui glacier coin is the second in the three-part Swiss glaciers series. The obverse of the 10-franc coin features the glacier in the centre, embedded in the mountain landscape. On the outer ring at 12 o'clock is the old name "Rosenlouwi" and "glacier around 1780", and at 6 o'clock are the three coats of arms for Switzerland, the canton of Bern and the commune of Meiringen, which is home to the Rosenlaui glacier. The coin was designed by Swissmint engraver Remo Mascherini. The Morteratsch glacier coin was issued in 2022, while the Rhône glacier coin will conclude the series in 2024.

#### Coin sets with circulation coins and special coins or medals

On 31 January 2023, Swissmint will be issuing various versions of the new circulation coin sets. In addition to the popular brilliant uncirculated and proof versions with the Rosenlaui glacier bimetallic coin, the completely redesigned birthday coin set in a stylish cardboard presentation box is also available in two different versions. This revamped gift idea also replaces the baby coin set issued from 2002 to 2022 and is ideally suited as a gift for adults and newborns alike. One of the fold-out cardboard presentation boxes comes in elegant black with a gold-coloured print of the constellations, while the other is turquoise with depictions of the signs of the zodiac. Both have in common that the images are repeated on the removable insert – containing one circulation coin of each denomination plus the medal – as well as on the medal itself. In the centre of the bi-colour medal made of base metals, the tree of life is visible on one side and the flower of life and the lettering SWISSMINT on the other. Both cardboard presentation boxes also contain a specially designed card with a message to commemorate an unforgettable day. The icing on the cake is that the person giving the gift can also personalise the sleeve around the presentation box.

#### Quality descriptions for coins

Uncirculated: minted in normal machine production. The wooden line that was applied to the dies by hand in earlier years is now applied to the die by machine using a laser. The line is clearly visible on the coin.

Proof: highest minting quality, individual production, the coin die is used only around 500 times, coin planchets are polished and surface-treated in an elaborate process. Coins are individually packed in coin capsules, and sold in a presentation case complete with numbered certificate of authenticity.

#### The Federal Mint Swissmint

The Federal Mint Swissmint produces the country's coins for use in everyday payment transactions. The Federal Mint also regularly issues commemorative coins and coinage of a higher standard for the numismatic market. Commemorative coins in bimetal, silver, gold or platinum bear an official, state-guaranteed, nominal value and are available in various minting qualities.

## Note to the press

This press release and pictures can be downloaded at the following links:

https://www.swissmint.ch/swissmint/en/home/aktuell/mm.html https://www.swissmint.ch/swissmint/en/home/aktuell/medienbilder.html

We are happy to answer any questions you may have.

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# Fact sheet

# Rosenlaui glacier bimetallic coin

Swiss glaciers series



Images shown enlarged

Motif	Rosenlaui glacier	
Artist	Remo Mascherini, Flamatt	
Technical specifications	Alloy: outer ring in aluminium-bronze, core made of copper-nickel Weight: 15g Diameter: 33mm	
Legal face value	10 Swiss francs	
Date of issue	31 January 2023	
Mintage	<ul> <li>Uncirculated: 16,000 units: 9,000 units in blister pack,1,000 in coin box and 6,000 in coin set*</li> <li>Proof: 4,750 units: 2,500 in presentation case with certificate of authenticity, 250 with certificate of the artist and 2,000 in coin set*</li> </ul>	
Recommended prices	<ul> <li>Uncirculated, in blister pack:</li> <li>Uncirculated, in coin box:</li> <li>Coin set, brilliant uncirculated:</li> <li>Proof in presentation case:</li> <li>Certificate from the artist:</li> <li>Coin set, proof:</li> </ul>	CHF 20 CHF 65 CHF 45 CHF 55 CHF 70 CHF 90
Sold by	Online at <u>www.swissmintshop.ch</u> as well some coin dealers and banks	
Coined and issued by	Federal Mint Swissmint, CH-3003 Bern, <u>www.swissmint.ch</u>	

\*Contents of coin set = 7 circulation coins and 1 commemorative coin

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Coin sets 2023

#### 2023 COIN SET with Rosenlaui glacier bimetallic coin

Legal face value: 18.85 Swiss francs Alloy: Copper-nickel and aluminium-bronze Measurements: 171mm x 106mm x 8mm





*Quality:* Brilliant uncirculated *Mintage:* 6,000 units *Recommended price:* CHF 45 *Date of issue:* 31 January 2023 *Quality:* Proof *Mintage:* 2,000 units *Recommended price:* CHF 90 *Date of issue:* 31 January 2023

2023 BIRTHDAY COIN SET with birthday medal

*Quality:* Brilliant uncirculated Legal face value: 8.85 Swiss francs Alloy: Copper-nickel and aluminium-bronze Measurements: 194mm x 127mm x 25mm



*Mintage:* 2,000 units *Recommended price:* CHF 50 *Date of issue:* 31 January 2023



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