

ITALIAN NATIONAL SIDES



€ coin: Portrait drawn by Raphaël of Dante Alighieri, housed in the Pope Julius II wing of the Vatican City Palace. The edge lettering of the € coin ("2*") is repeated six times, alternately upright and inverted.



€ coin: Famous drawing by Leonardo da Vinci, displayed in the gallery of the Academy in Venice, illustrating the ideal proportions of the human body.



50 cent coin: The statue of Emperor Marcus Aurelius on horseback.



20 cent coin: Sculpture by Umberto Boccioni, leader of the Italian Futurist School.



10 cent coin: One of the greatest triumphs of Italian art and one of the most famous works in the world, the “Birth of Venus” by Sandro Botticelli.



5 cent coin: The Flavius amphitheatre (the Colosseum) which Emperor Vespasian began building around 75 AD and Emperor Titus inaugurated in 80 AD.



2 cent coin: The Mole Antonelliana, a tower designed in 1863 by the architect Alessandro Antonelli.



1 cent coin: Castel del Monte.