

DANZIG



1927 - 1/2 GULDEN - OBVERSE

DANZIG, FREE STATE of
BERLIN MINT

1/2 GULDEN 19.5 MM .750 FINE 2.5 GRAMS

1927 400,000

▲OV: (caravel ship at sea)

▼RV: FREIE / STADT DANZIG (Free State Danzig) / 1/
2/ GULDEN / 19 and 27 divided by arms (crown/cross/cross
within shield).

EDGE: Reeded

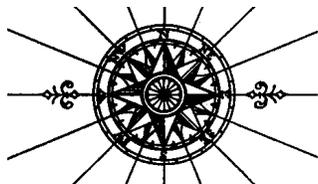
MINT: (no mintmark) = BERLIN

DESIGNER: Professor Dr. Fischer of Danzig

ENGRAVER: Kullrich

REFERENCE: Y-7

FOOTNOTE: The issue dated 1927 of 400,000 1/2 gulden coinage
and 160,000 5 gulden pieces were struck in Berlin from silver
produced by melting 1,000,000 1 gulden coins dated 1923.



1927 - 1/2 GULDEN - REVERSE



1923 - 1/2 GULDEN - OBVERSE



1923 - 1/2 GULDEN - REVERSE

DANZIG, FREE STATE of
UTRECHT MINT

1/2 GULDEN 19.5 MM .750 FINE 2.5 GRAMS

1923 1,000,500

▲OV: (caravel ship at sea)

▼RV: FREIE / STADT DANZIG (Free State Danzig) / 1/
2/ GULDEN / 19 and 23 divided by arms (crown/cross/cross
within shield).

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MINT: (no mintmark) = UTRECHT

DESIGNER: Professor Dr. Fischer of Danzig

ENGRAVER: Kullrich, Berlin

REFERENCE: Y-7

POPULATION: Free State of Danzig - 1923 - 365,000
inhabitants including 194,953 in Danzig proper.

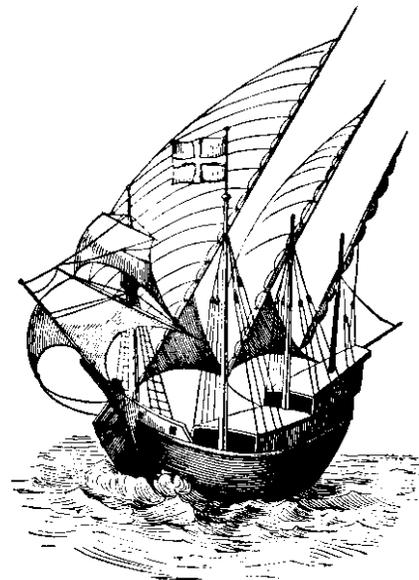
FOOTNOTE: Danzig in the Middle Ages was an important town of the Hanseatic League and after 1308 AD it gained prestige under the rule of the Teutonic Knights. It became a part of the old Kingdom of Poland in 1455. After the third partition of Poland, Danzig was ceded to Prussia. Seeking a port on the Baltic Sea, Poland demanded this territory, but as the population was over whelmingly German the establishment of the Free State of Danzig, was a compromise. Danzig an area of 754 square miles was set up by the Treaty of Versailles under the protection of the League of Nation. Poland received access to Danzig and formed a single customs territory in 1922. Hitler proclaimed the return of the Free City of Danzig to the German Reich on September 1, 1939 which marks the beginning of World War II. Today Danzig (German) is called Gdansk (Polish). It is a major city of Poland.

FOOTNOTE: The 1923 coinage of Danzig was issued with the monetary unit of gulden = 100 pfennigs. The currency was based on an exchange rate of 25 gulden equal to 1£ Sterling.



Map Showing Free State of Danzig

FOOTNOTE: Danzig, a maritime fortress and seaport on the left bank of the western arm of the Vistula, on the Baltic, 253 miles from Berlin. Population 1905 159,088. The city is traversed by two branches of the Mottlau, a small tributary of the Vistula, dredged to a depth of 15 feet, thus enabling large vessels to reach the wharves of the inner town. Danzig almost alone of larger German cities still preserves its picturesque medieval aspect. The grand old patrician houses of the days of its Hanseatic glory, with their lofty and often elaborately ornamented gables and their balconied windows, are the delight of the visitor to the town. The manufacture of arms and artillery is carried onto a great extent, and the imperial and private docks and shipbuilding establishments, turn out ships of the larger size. *Encyclopaedia Britannica, Eleventh Edition, 1910.*



Caravel ship at sea