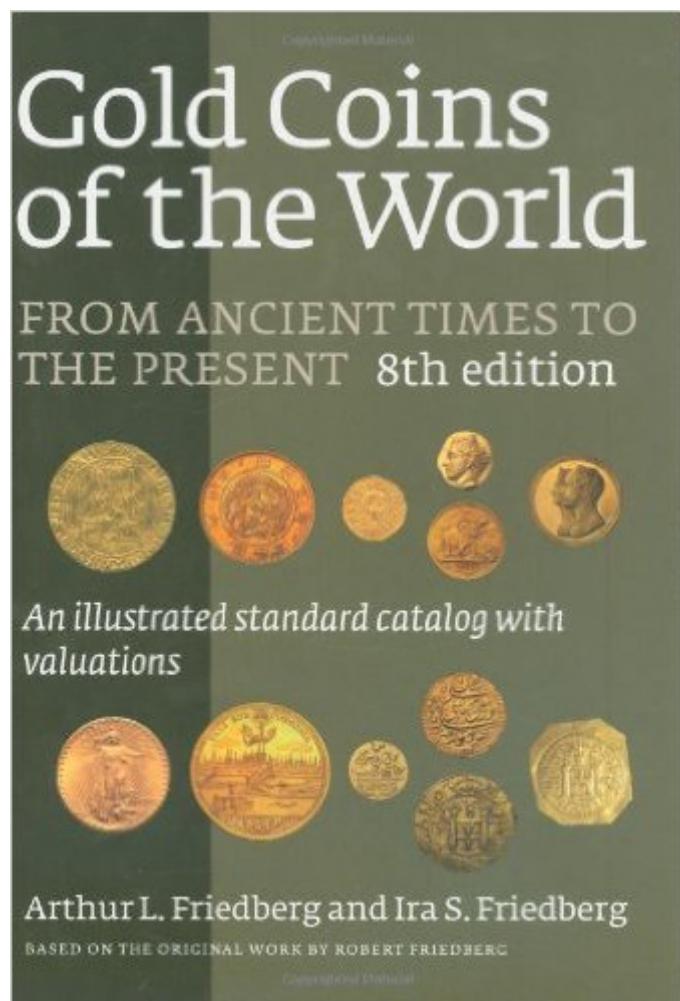


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GRAPHICS : Excellent and exact.

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