

THE EMBLEM OF THE BANK OF GREECE



The emblem of the Bank of Greece, designed in the form of an archaic coin, represents the full-length figure of goddess Athena seated sideways on an archaic throne and facing right.

The deity is portrayed wearing the crested Attic helmet and holding the olivebranch, symbol of peace, in her right hand. By her side stands the mythical griffin, revered in antiquity as a custodian of gold and treasures. Arrow in mouth and with the body of a winged lion, the beast stands on ears of wheat, symbolising the source of riches and prosperity, with three of its legs. Directly below appears the year of the Bank's establishment - 1928 - and, in circular arrangement above, within the emblem perimeter, the name of the Bank in classical lettering.