



NEW!
2017 \$2 3/4oz
99.99% FINE SILVER COIN
WOLF MOON

We look to the sky to see if rain is coming, but there was a time when people gleaned far more information from gazing upward – particularly at night. Throughout history, cultures around the world have recognized the moon as the guardian of nature’s cycles. Its perpetual waxing and waning, “dying” and reappearing, marked the passage of time – not clock time, but the rhythms of life; the ebb and flow of the sea; the birth, maturation and migration of animals; the sprouting of new plants and the scattering of seeds.

In North America, the First Nations tribes that comprise the Algonquin people utilized the lunar cycle as a celestial calendar to track time. They assigned a name to every full moon to reflect the seasonal activities that accompanied its specific cycle. The Algonquin people lived across a vast territory from Lake Superior to the eastern seaboard – and the geographical differences between them produced a variety of names for each full moon.

January is the quintessential month snow and ice. Its full moon is known as Snow Moon or Old Moon, but the most common name is Wolf Moon to reflect the fact that wolves are often heard howling outside First Nations villages, the sound amplified by the crisp, open air – a beautiful song of longing inspired by the ever-changing cycle of life.



ACTUAL SIZE



ENHANCED SECURITY

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SPECIAL FEATURES:

- Two unique features for cutting-edge security, including precise radial lines and micro-engraved lasered maple leaf in the coin field. In the centre of this mark, visible under magnification, is the numeral “17”, denoting the coin’s year of issue.
- Features the distinctive bullion finish with unique frosted relief with a lined textured outer rim.
- In the moonlight, the engraved wolf’s features are rendered in incredible detail, highlighting the thickness of the coat that keeps them warm on the cold winter night.
- A striking addition to any nature, animal or Canadiana-themed collection.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS:

Mint:	Royal Canadian Mint
Item Number:	157901
UPC:	6-23932-08208-3
Composition:	99.99% pure silver
Weight *:	0.75 oz (23.33 g)
Diameter (mm):	38
Face Value:	2 dollars (CAN)
Finish:	Bullion with frosted relief and radial lines
Edge:	Serrated
Artist:	John Mantha

DESIGN

Designed by Canadian artist John Mantha, its design shows a howling wolf set against a backdrop of a full moon. The obverse features the portrait of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, by Susanna Blunt.

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