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Commemorative coin in honor of the Bicentennial of the sacrifice of the national heroine Policarpa Salavarrieta (sold out)

Tuesday, January 10, 2023 - 12:00

Banco de la República, in compliance with Law 1903 of 22 June 2018, makes available to the public, for commemorative purposes, the coin of the Bicentennial of the sacrifice of the national heroine Policarpa Salavarrieta. The coin will be available to the public **as of 10 January 2023**.

The coin's obverse shows the image of Policarpa Salavarrieta, based on an 1855 portrait by painter José María Espinosa. Known as "La Pola," she is the most famous heroine of Colombia's Independence. She was born around 1795 and was shot in Bogotá on 14 November 1817 for conspiring and spying in favor of the patriots of the plains of Casanare at the height of the Spanish reconquest. It also includes the legend "POLICARPA SALAVARRIETA" and "200 YEARS OF THE SACRIFICE OF THE HEROINE".

The coin's reverse shows the house where Policarpa Salavarrieta lived in Guaduas, Cundinamarca. It is located a little more than a block from the main park, and its one-story construction, with adobe walls and a palm roof, is testimony to the daily life of a family of medium wealth in its time.

The reverse is inscribed with the following elements: i) the year of minting authorization, 2019; ii) a latent image as a security element that, depending on the angle from which it is viewed, will reflect the initials "BR" or the Arabic numeral "10"; iii) the words "Museo Casa de La Pola"; iv) the denomination of \$10,000 Colombian pesos, v) the word "REPÚBLICA DE COLOMBIA."



Obverse



Reverse

The "La Pola" commemorative coin will be available to the public as of 10 January 2023, and will be available for purchase in [Bogotá at the Bank's Treasury](#), as well as at the Branches in Barranquilla (sold out), Cali (sold out), Medellín (sold out) and Bucaramanga (sold out), and at the Cultural Agencies in Manizales (sold out) and Honda (sold out).

The commemorative coin, which has a **nominal value of 10,000** Colombian pesos, is legal tender and may be used for any monetary transaction for the equivalent of its face value. This unit is silver-colored (copper and nickel alloy), has a diameter of 35 mm, and weighs 21.75 grams. The coin is delivered with a folder containing information about its characteristics.

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- Law 1903 of June 22, 2018
 - Metal: Copper (75%), nickel (25%)
 - Estimated weight: 21.75 grams
 - Diameter: 35 millimeters
 - Nominal value: \$ 10,000 pesos
 - Number of pieces minted: 20,000 coins

Coin in a special case (optional): **19,000 pesos**

A maximum of one (1) coin per user will be exchanged while stocks last (20,000 units)*.

Schedules

Bogotá

At the **Treasury's office** at Calle 13 # 35-25, service will be available from Monday to Friday, from 8:00 a. m. to 11:30 a. m.

Branches

In **Barranquilla** (sold out), **Cali** (sold out), and **Medellín** (sold out), the branches will be open from Monday to Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., and in **Bucaramanga** (sold out), from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Cultural Agencies

In **Honda** (sold out) and **Manizales** (sold out) they will be open from Monday to Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

We thank all the citizens who have been interested in acquiring the commemorative coin of the Bicentennial of the sacrifice of the national heroine Policarpa Salavarrieta. Given the success of the sale of this coin, Banco de la República will evaluate the possibility of issuing an additional coin. This situation will be timely informed.

* To carry out cash exchange transactions at the Treasury counters, the Treasury Department's current regulations established the identification of the user as a requirement using his/her citizenship card or password (first time or duplicate). Considering the above, minors may only perform cash exchange transactions, including those related to commemorative coins issued by *Banco de la República*, through their parents or legal representatives, in accordance with the Law.
