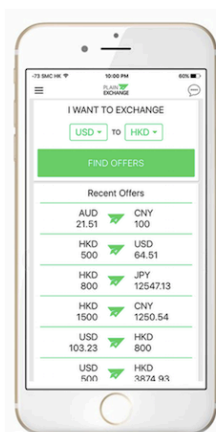
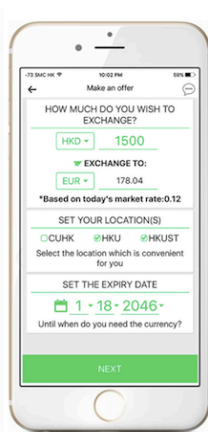


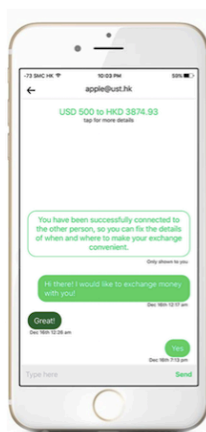
CURRENCY GUIDE



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United States Dollar (USD)
*Everything that you need to check if the
currency you are getting is real.*

UNITED STATES DOLLAR (USD)

Notes in circulation: \$1 \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100

Coins in circulation: \$1, 1¢, 5¢, 10¢, 25¢, 50¢

1. Use these links to compare the currency you have with the images of the authentic USD notes and the placement of all the security features.

\$100 NOTE

<https://uscurrency.gov/security/100-security-features-2013-present>

\$50 NOTE

<https://uscurrency.gov/security/50-security-features-2004-present>

\$20 NOTE

<https://uscurrency.gov/security/20-security-features-2003-present>

\$10 NOTE

<https://uscurrency.gov/security/10-security-features-2006-present>

\$5 NOTE

<https://uscurrency.gov/security/5-security-features-2008-present>

\$2 NOTE

<https://uscurrency.gov/security/2-security-features-1976-present>

\$1 NOTE

<https://uscurrency.gov/security/1-security-features-1963-present>

U.S. Currency Education Program website

<https://uscurrency.gov>

Video "How to authenticate USDs?"

<https://uscurrency.gov/resources/videos/how-authenticate-us-currency>

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2. What are the security features of the authentic United States Dollar notes?

3D Security Ribbon (only \$100 note issued after 2013)

Tilt the note back and forth while focusing on the blue ribbon. You will see the bells change to denomination number as they move. When you tilt the note back and forth, the bells and denomination number moves side to side. If you tilt it side to side, they move up and down. The ribbon is woven into the paper, not printed on it.

Bell in the Inkwell (only \$100 note issued after 2013)

Tilt the note to see the color-shifting bell in the copper inkwell change from copper to green, an effect which makes the bell seem to appear and disappear within the inkwell.

Color-Shifting Ink (absent in \$1, \$2, \$5 notes)

Tilt the note to see the Bell in the Inkwell and the denomination number in the lower right corner of the front of the note shift from copper to green.

Portrait Watermark

Hold the note to light and look for a faint image of a historical figure in the blank space to the right of the portrait. The image is visible from both sides of the note.

Security Thread

Hold the note to light to see an embedded thread running vertically to the left of the portrait. The thread is imprinted with the letters USA and the denomination number in an alternating pattern and is visible from both sides of the note. The thread glows pink when illuminated by ultraviolet light.

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Raised Printing (this is the only security feature of the \$2 and \$1 note)

Move your finger up and down historical figure's shoulder on the left side of the note. It should feel rough to the touch, a result of the enhanced intaglio printing process used to create the image. Traditional raised printing can be felt throughout the note, and gives genuine Federal Reserve notes their distinctive texture.

Micro-printing (use magnifying glass)

Look carefully to see the small printed text THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA on historical figure's jacket collar, USA 100 around the blank space containing the portrait watermark, denomination number in capital text along the golden quill, and small 100s in the note borders.

3. Here are some general references where you can find information about all currencies, their security features and images of their design, in case you would like to find information which is not covered by this guide:

Banknote News: breaking news about international paper & polymer money -
<http://www.banknotenews.com/>

Currency Guide: counterfeit money detection know-how
<http://currencyguide.eu>

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*4. What to do if you come across counterfeit currency?**

1. **Do not accept the currency.** Make sure you explore our guide before the exchange and remember the telltale signs of authentic currency.
2. If you suspect that the money is counterfeit, after the exchange, **do not use it to make purchases or pass it onto another person.** You would be perpetrating a serious crime.
3. **Note down the details** and all the information that you can recall about the person who gave you the money, the date and time of the event and the amount of currency.
4. **Report** to the local police, monetary authority or a bank (see contact details below).
5. **Forward these details with the username of the person, date, place of exchange and the amount exchanged to our community manager at sandra@plainexchange.xyz** so that we can identify the perpetrator.

US Secret Service

<http://www.secretservice.gov/contact/>

Reporting form: <http://www.secretservice.gov/investigation/ssf1604.pdf>

You can also contact the local police station in the United States.

* Please be aware that it is your responsibility to make sure that the money you are offering and accepting is authentic. It is recommended that you read this guide and look at the pictures of authentic notes before the exchange happens. Plain Exchange is unable to exclude the possibility of counterfeit, however we will take every measure to support you and assist you in identification of the user, who offered fake currency, and in the reporting process.