

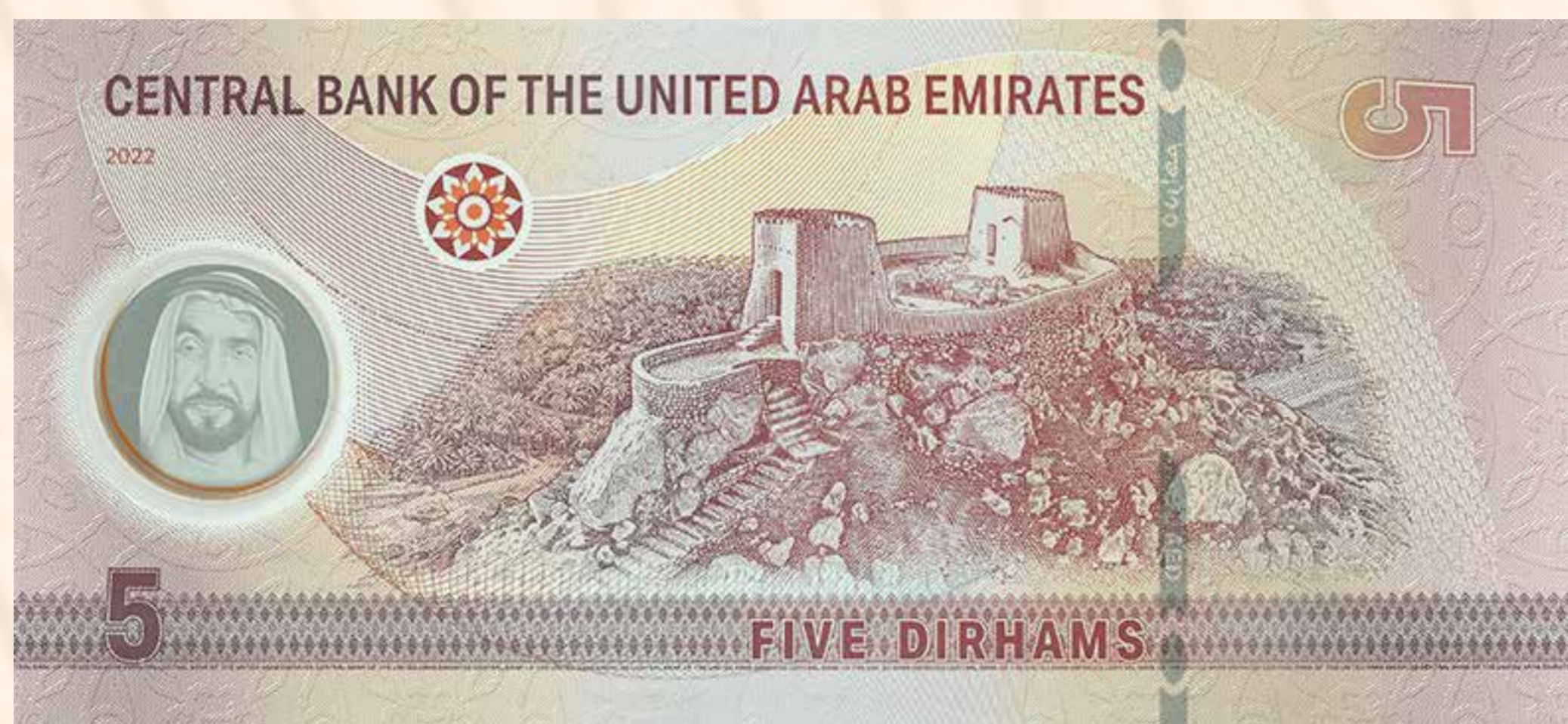
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The Central Bank of the United Arab Emirates (CBUAE) introduced new 5- and 10-Dirham banknotes

The new notes were issued in April 2022 and are the third version of the 5- and 10-Dirham banknotes. It is notable that the new banknotes are printed on a polymer substrate, not on cotton as the previous notes were. The two new notes have the same colour scheme as the 5- and 10-Dirham notes already in circulation, so that the public does not confuse it with another denomination. The symbols and images on the notes reflect the UAE's history and heritage. Both notes include a transparent window featuring a portrait of the late Founding Father, Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan. Current banknotes of both denominations will remain in circulation along with the new polymer notes.



Front 5 DIRHAMS Dimensions: 143 x 66mm.



Back 5 DIRHAMS Dimensions: 143 x 66mm.



Blindrecognition

Complex Window Printed security strip

Security features:

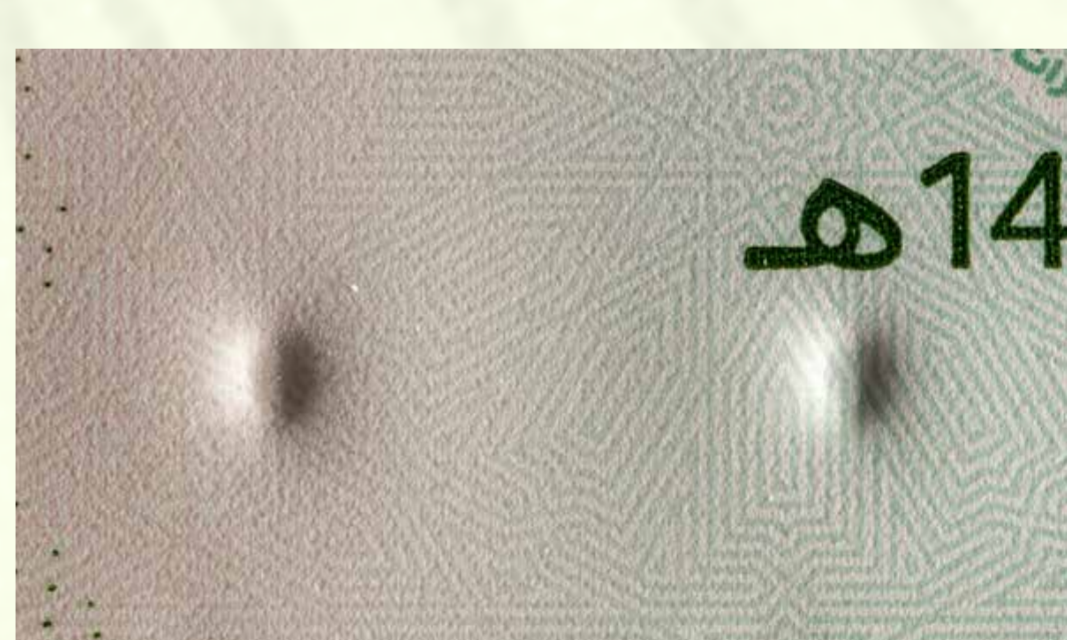
The note features a circular transparent window featuring an image of Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan. The window is surrounded by iridescent ink. The windowed security strip on the back is printed and contains the text '5 AED' in Arabic and Latin. The note includes an embossed dot for the benefit of the visually impaired.



Front 10 DIRHAMS Dimensions: 147 x 66mm.



Back 10 DIRHAMS Dimensions: 147 x 66mm.



Blindrecognition

Complex Window Printed security strip

Security features:

The note features a circular transparent window featuring an image of Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan. The window is surrounded by iridescent ink. The windowed security strip on the back is printed and contains the text '10 AED' in Arabic and Latin. The note includes two embossed dots for the benefit of the visually impaired.

Note from the expert:

A 50-Dirham polymer banknote was already issued in December 2021 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the United Arab Emirates. According to the CBUAE, the move to polymer is motivated by the bank's "adoption of sustainable practices and its efforts to develop enhanced environmental standards in the financial sector, and to promote sustainable growth by using environmentally friendly and recyclable polymer material". As polymer lasts two or more times longer in circulation, it is more durable and sustainable than traditional cotton paper banknotes.