

GOLD IRA

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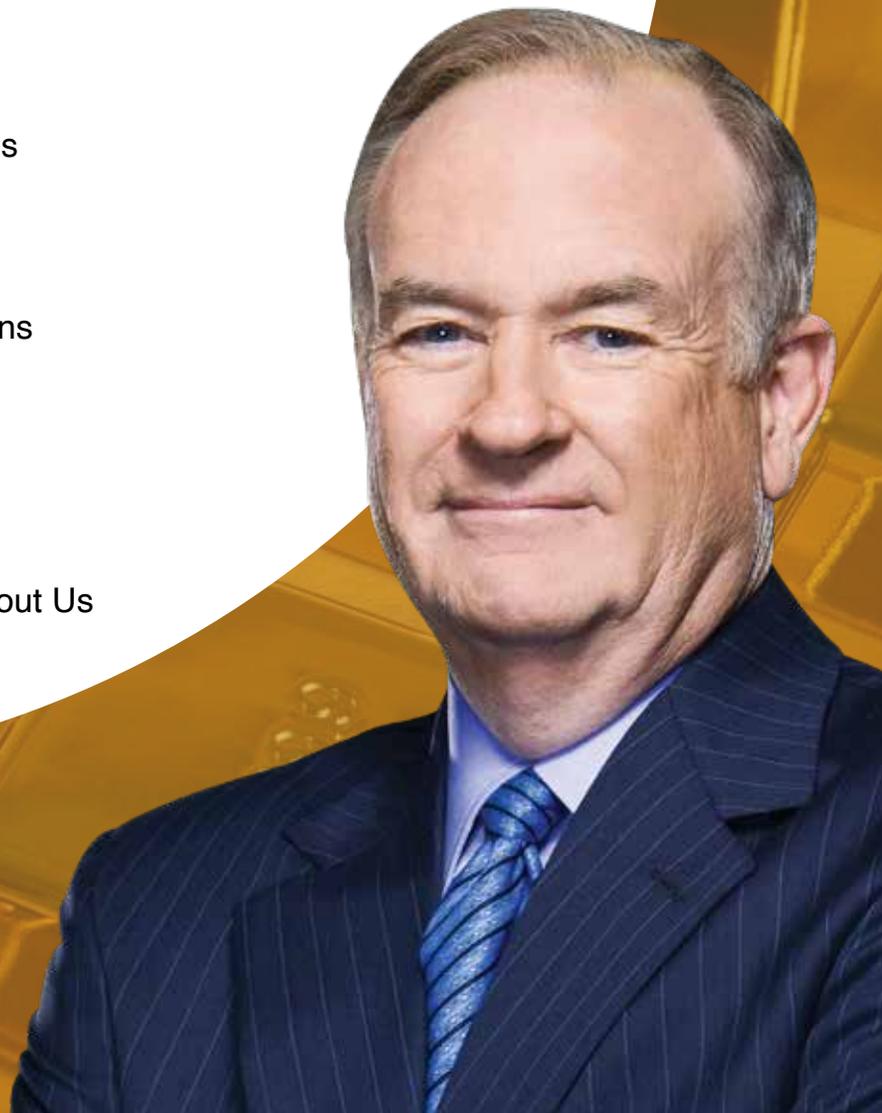
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Secure your retirement legacy for your golden years

In today's unpredictable world, protecting your retirement legacy has never been more crucial. Economic uncertainty, inflation, recessions, and political instability can shake the stock market, creating stress and financial insecurity.

Fortunately, you can safeguard your wealth with the proven stability of physical gold and silver.

Gold IRA

A Gold IRA offers investors:



SAFE HAVEN & PHYSICAL ASSETS

Gold and silver have long been trusted as safe-haven assets, offering protection against economic downturns, inflation, and market volatility. Unlike paper assets, they hold intrinsic value and provide a tangible store of wealth.



INCREASED PORTFOLIO DIVERSIFICATION

Adding gold and silver to your investment portfolio helps reduce risk by balancing exposure across different asset classes. Precious metals often perform well when traditional markets fluctuate, enhancing overall financial security.



OPPORTUNITY FOR PRICE APPRECIATION

Historically, gold and silver have shown strong long-term growth potential. As demand for precious metals rises, their value tends to increase, providing investors with the opportunity for capital appreciation and wealth preservation.

Why Gold?

A simple fact: Gold has been a timeless symbol of wealth and stability. As a proven safeguard against economic turmoil, it remains essential for a balanced portfolio.

Recent stock market volatility proves retirement accounts can crash without warning—dropping nearly 25% in 2022 and over 50% in 2008!

Imagine nearing retirement with \$1 million in your IRA, only to see it shrink to less than \$440,000—derailing your financial future.

Worst Years in the Stock Market

	S&P 500	GOLD
1974	-29.72%	+72.01%
1977	-11.50%	+19.69%
2001	-13.04%	+1.62%
2002	-23.37%	+20.33%
2008	-38.49%	+8.29%
2020	-34%	+53%
2022	-18%	+.5%

Many Americans faced this harsh reality after 2008.

Market crashes stem from more than just housing crisis or pandemics—volatility is fueled by inflation, rising interest rates, political turmoil, and social unrest.

That's why experts recommend allocating part of your portfolio to physical gold, a proven safeguard that often holds or gains value during market downturns.

Who Recommends Gold?

Gold has long been trusted as a reliable store of value, especially during times of economic uncertainty. According to the World Gold Council, approximately 38% of American retail investors own physical gold. But it's not just everyday Americans who see the value in holding precious metals. Some of the world's most respected economists, billionaires, and financial experts are vocal advocates of gold.

They recognize that gold offers:



Protection against inflation and recession.



Portfolio diversification.



Safe-haven security.

Here's what a few prominent gold supporters say:

Alan Greenspan

The former Federal Reserve Chairman has spoken about gold's unique ability to preserve value and act as a hedge against declining fiat currency.

"Gold still represents the ultimate form of payment in the world. Fiat money in extremis is accepted by nobody. Gold is always accepted"

John Paulson

The billionaire hedge fund manager famously made billions betting against the housing market in 2008. Paulson now has significant gold holdings as part of his investment strategy.

"As inflation picks up, people try and get out of fixed income, they try and get out of cash, and the logical place to go is gold."

J.P. Morgan

The legendary banker believed that gold's intrinsic value made it the ultimate form of wealth and a reliable store of value.

"Gold is money. Everything else is credit."

Jim Rogers

The renowned investor has long advocated for gold as a hedge, predicting that gold will rise significantly as global economic instability increases.

"When people lose confidence in governments and currencies, they always go to gold and silver."

Ray Dalio

The billionaire hedge fund manager has long recommended gold as a critical part of a diversified portfolio, especially during periods of economic instability.

"If you don't own gold, you know neither history nor economics."

Throughout history, gold has been recommended by those who best understand wealth protection.



What is a Gold IRA?

A Gold IRA is a unique way to protect your retirement savings with physical gold, silver, and other precious metals. This self-directed IRA gives you more control over your future by combining the power of tax-deferred growth with the wealth protection benefits of tangible assets like gold and silver.

With a Gold IRA, you aren't limited to just gold. You can also invest in silver and platinum, giving you the flexibility to diversify your portfolio. Whether you're familiar with traditional IRAs or new to self-directed accounts, setting up a Gold IRA is simple and offers the same tax advantages, contribution limits, and distribution rules as other IRAs.



Benefits of a Gold IRA



Tax Advantages

- Rollover your existing IRA without losing tax benefits.
- Taxes on gains are deferred until withdrawal.
- Enjoy tax-free growth and maximize compounding.



Full Control Over Your Investment

- Choose your depository, coins, and bars.
- Decide when to buy, sell, or take distributions in cash or gold.



Stability of Physical Assets

- Gold holds intrinsic value and cannot be devalued like paper assets.
- A reliable safeguard for your wealth in uncertain times.



Easy Setup & Maintenance

- Simple process with expert guidance from American Hartford Gold.
- Ongoing support to help you manage your account.



Legacy Planning

- Preserve wealth for future generations with a tax-sheltered, tangible asset.
- Easily transfer physical gold to beneficiaries with custodian assistance.



Open a Gold IRA in 3 Easy Steps

Let our specialists guide you through the simple and seamless process

● Step 1 | Open your account

To get started, simply complete our online form at www.americanhartfordgold.com or call **(800) 462-0071** and an IRA representative will fill out the paperwork for you over the phone.

● Step 2 | Fund your account

IRA Transfer

A direct transfer from one IRA to another. We'll guide you through the Transfer Request form included in your IRA Kit and submit it to your Custodian. Eligible accounts include:

- Traditional IRA
- Roth IRA

Retirement Plan Rollover

A direct transfer from your Employer Sponsored Retirement Plan. We'll guide you through the Transfer Request form included in your IRA Kit and submit it to your Custodian. Eligible accounts include:

- Thrift Savings Plan (TSP)
- 401(k)
- 403(b)
- 457(b)

IRA Contribution

An annual IRA contribution to fund your Precious Metals IRA (subject to limitations and eligibility). Ask your Senior Account Executive for more details.

● Step 3 | Take Delivery

Once funds are available in your IRA, you are ready to choose your precious metals and place your trades.

Give Us a Call to Get Started: 800-462-0071



Popular IRA-Eligible Products

American Hartford Gold clients have a complete selection of popular IRA-eligible products to choose from.

Here are some of the most popular IRA-Eligible coins:

GOLD



**American Eagle
Gold Coins**



**Canadian Maple
Leaf Gold Coins**

SILVER



**American Eagle
Silver Coins**



**Canadian Maple
Leaf Silver Coins**

To qualify for an IRA, the precious metals you choose must meet certain requirements established by the IRS, such as minimum fineness. Collectible coins or rare coins, including graded or certified coins, are not eligible for a Precious Metals IRA. Our precious metals specialists can explain the differences and benefits of each asset.



**Australian Wildlife
Gold Coins**



**Various Gold
Rounds & Bars**



**Australian Wildlife
Silver Coins**



**Various Silver
Rounds & Bars**

Minimum fineness for IRA-eligibility:

Gold: .995+ | Silver: .999+ | Platinum: .9995+ | Palladium: .9995+

Secure Depositories & Custodians

Premium Options That Safeguard Your Precious Metals

As an American Hartford Gold client, you can choose from the leading depositories and custodians for the safekeeping and management of your IRA precious metals. We are happy to answer any questions and help customize the ideal storage solution for you.

Depositories



Delaware Depository Service Company
Wilmington, DE | Boulder City, NV



A-M Global Logistics (AMGL)
Las Vegas, NV | Irving, TX

Custodians



Equity Trust Company
Westlake, OH



The Entrust Group
Oakland, CA

Upon receipt of your shipment at the depository, the parcel is opened, and its contents are closely inspected. After complete verification, your precious metals are deposited and securely stored.

Storage Options that Best Fit Your Needs

Non-Segregated vs. Segregated:

Find the Right Solution for Your Precious Metals

You have the flexibility to choose between two secure storage options for your precious metals. Whether you prefer non-segregated or segregated storage, each account type is designed to fit your needs and ensure the safety of your investments.

Non-Segregated Storage

Your precious metals will be commingled (stored in bulk) in storage designated for your chosen custodian at your selected depository. When the time comes to sell, exchange, or take an in-kind distribution (personal possession of the metal), the IRA owner (you or your beneficiaries) will not receive the same exact material that was initially deposited, however they will be of equivalent value.

Segregated Storage

Your precious metals will be repackaged after verification and stored separately in a designated storage area for your chosen custodian at your selected depository. When the time comes to sell, exchange, or take an in-kind distribution (personal possession of the metal), you or your beneficiaries will receive the exact material as deposited.

Storage Fees

Your selected depository will charge an annual storage fee through your custodian based on the precious metals your IRA holds. Storage fees are billed initially in conjunction with the annual IRA fee, at the time the account is opened, and each January thereafter. Storage fees are billed at the rate shown below:

Non-Segregated storage: \$100

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Segregated storage: \$150



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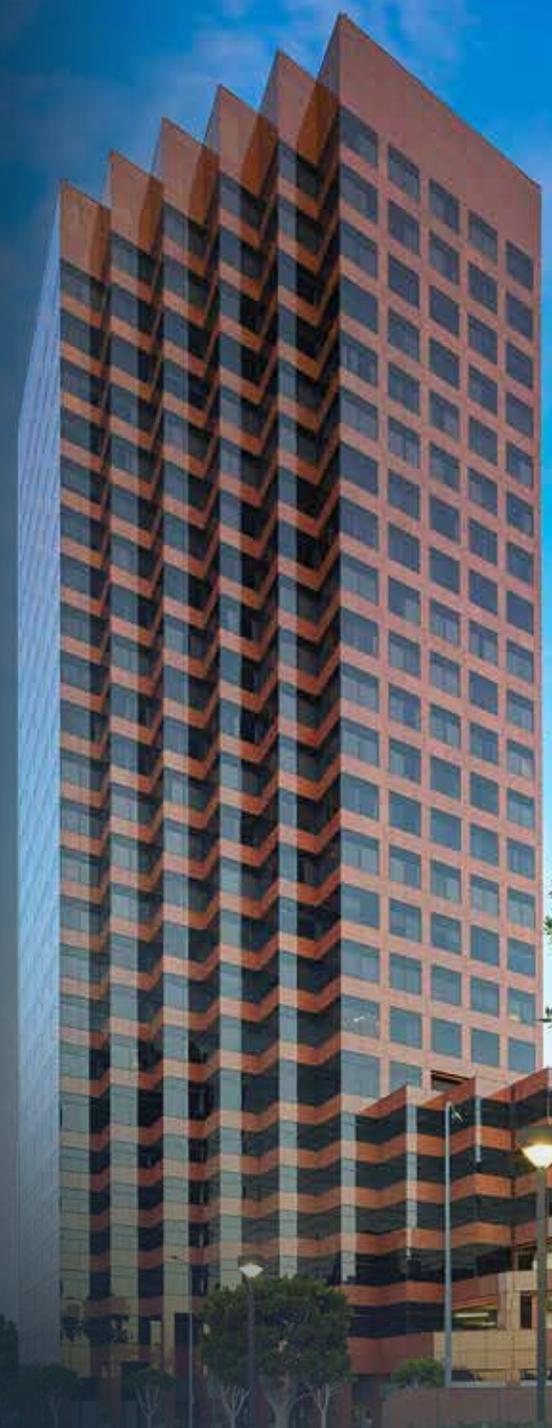
Precious Metals Valuations

The valuations of precious metals shown on your statement are based on spot value, which is the current spot price multiplied by the ounces of fine metal contained in the coin or bar. Spot values do not include any premiums, mark-ups, markdowns or commissions. Spot values should be used as an indication of value only and should not be construed as a firm bid price to buy from any broker or dealer. The actual precious metals type and quantity in a transaction may affect the price received for any given bullion item. Price indications for specific bullion products may be obtained from various sources including your Senior Account Executive at American Hartford Gold.

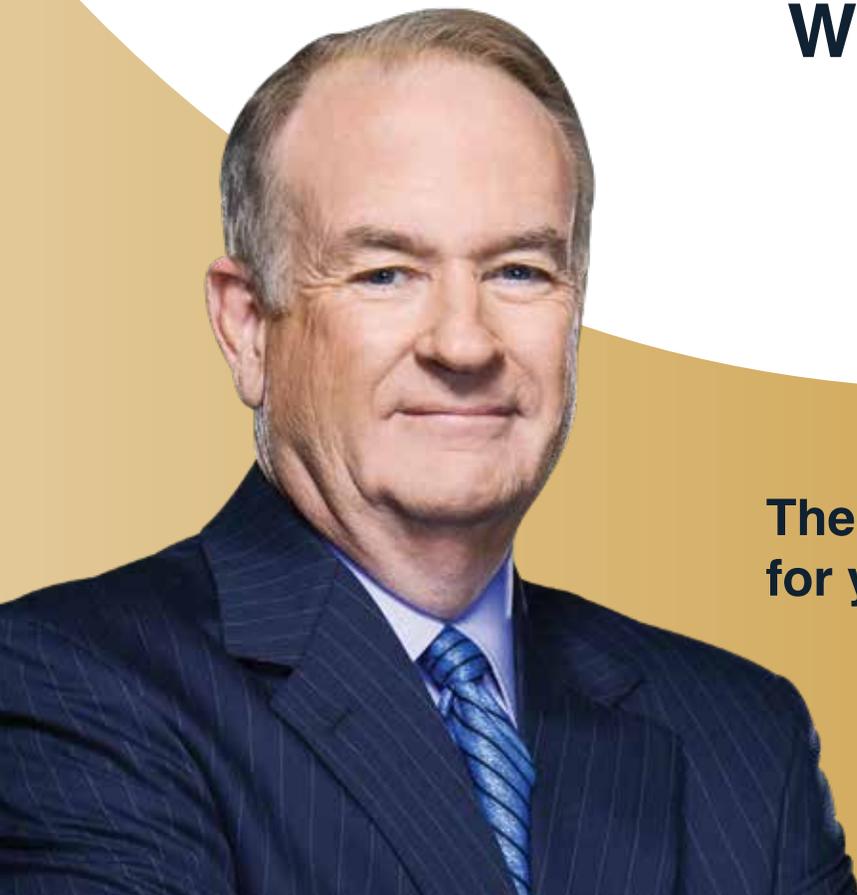
The depository requires that proof coins be encapsulated in complete, original mint packaging, including certificate of authenticity, and be in excellent condition. Non-proof coins must be in brilliant uncirculated condition and free from damage.

In addition to your account statements, spot price is also used to report the fair market value of your account to the IRS.

American Hartford Gold (AHG) helps individuals and families diversify and protect their wealth with precious metals. Through our website, publications, and product specialists, AHG offers a wealth of precious metals market perspective that empowers both new and experienced investors.



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What Our Clients Are Saying About Us

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The only company I recommend for your gold needs is American Hartford Gold.

– Bill O'Reilly



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I was informed every step of the way

“American Hartford Gold is a top quality, first class family owned company. I was informed of every step of the process and treated with great customer service.”

- Alex S.

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You made my first Experience easy

“American Hartford Gold made my first experience in the metals market easy, confident and professional. I'm sure I'll be back again soon.”

- Craig C.

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An absolute pleasure

“It was an absolute pleasure dealing with American Hartford Gold and I will recommend others. Thank you for a great experience.”

Steve G.





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