

Cochrane Dollar Security Features

1 Synthetic Polymer
The notes are printed on a white synthetic polymer material.
Check for: a smooth surface feel and thickness similar to a Canadian bill.

2 Serial Number and Invisible UV Ink
All notes are numbered below the Proudly Cochrane logo on the face side using both black ink and invisible UV ink.
Check for: seven-digit serial number; fluorescent yellow-green numbers under UV light.



3 Embossing
The Proudly Cochrane stamp on the face side has the star and two rings in the logo embossed (pressed) into the bills.
Check for: raised or recessed edges of the star and two rings in Proudly Cochrane.



4 Foil
Transparent holographic foil is imprinted on the back of each note, over the denomination strip.
Check for: reflective surface on the column of numbers.



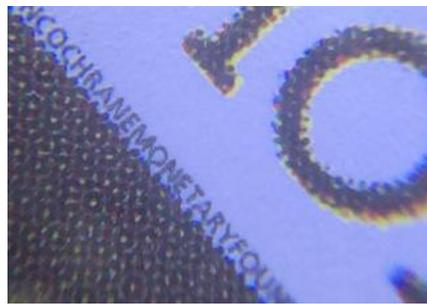
5 Varnish Coating
Each note has varnish coating over the primary subject on each side.
Check for: extra sheen on the primary subject of the note.



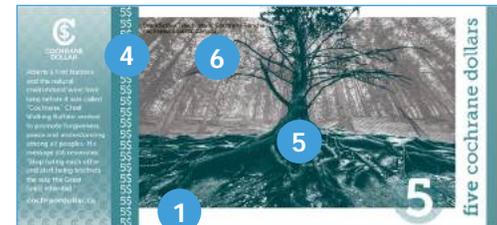
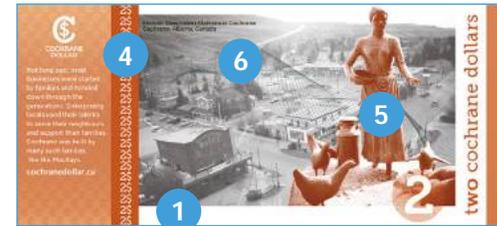
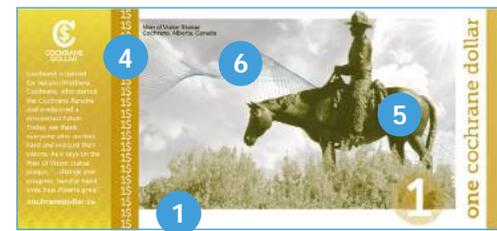
6 Metallic Ink
There is a guilloche pattern printed in metallic ink behind the primary subject on both sides of the note. On the \$150 bill, it is used on the Canada 150 maple leaf logo.
Check for: metallic pattern made of very thin lines.



7 Microtype
The words Cochrane Monetary Foundation (run together and repeated) appear in a very small font on the front of the note in two locations: running vertically along both sides of the coloured rectangle containing the denomination of the note.
Check for: "COCHRANEMONETARYFOUNDATION" under magnification.



This guide is to help identify a genuine C\$. Do not rely on just one security feature — check a few.
CochraneDollar.ca



Using Cochrane Dollars

Cochrane Dollars can be used at participating businesses the same way as Canadian Dollars: one Cochrane Dollar = one Canadian dollar. That means each Cochrane Dollar in circulation has CAD\$1 in the bank (at ATB Financial) to secure it.

Businesses can exchange Cochrane Dollars for Canadian Dollars as a no-fee transaction at ATB Financial, Cochrane Branch. Want to participate? Find out more and list your business for free at CochraneDollar.ca.

Getting Cochrane Dollars

Cochrane Dollars can be purchased at ATB Financial, Cochrane Branch. Simply exchange Canadian dollars for Cochrane Dollars, CAD\$ for C\$.

Ask for Cochrane Dollars in your change when spending at any Cochrane Dollar participating business or earn them as cash back on purchases.

A full list of places you can purchase or redeem Cochrane Dollars is available at CochraneDollar.ca and in the directory map.

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FAQs

Do I have to be an Cochrane Dollar participating business to use or accept Cochrane Dollars?

No, **any** Cochrane business can accept Cochrane Dollars and exchange them at the Central Bank, ATB Financial (Cochrane branch) as a no-fee transaction. Anyone can purchase Cochrane Dollars at the Central Bank.

Can customers pay with purchases with a mix of Cochrane Dollars and Canadian dollars?

Yes, Cochrane Dollars and Canadian dollars are equivalent in value, so paying with a mix of the currencies is simple. But remember, the more you use Cochrane Dollars, the more you help your money stay in Cochrane.

What happens with amounts less than 1 C\$?

1 C\$ is the smallest denomination of Cochrane Dollar available; any change less than 1 C\$ will be in Canadian coins.

What should I do if I think I have a counterfeit Cochrane Dollar?

Cochrane Dollars have many security features built in, making them very difficult to counterfeit. Become familiar with the security features shown in this guide so you can easily check that the Cochrane Dollar you're offered is real.

If you suspect you have a counterfeit Cochrane Dollar, call 403-851-2285 or email ec.dev@cochrane.ca immediately.

Your suspected counterfeit bill will be further checked and next steps will be discussed.

About the designs

The Town of Cochrane, in partnership with the Cochrane Monetary Foundation, selected imagery that captures elements of Cochrane's character, celebrating its cultural and western heritage, its creative spirit, diversity and historic landmarks.

The bill design, combined with a number of security features, creates a set of Cochrane Dollars the Town can be proud of.

For 2017, the Cochrane Monetary Foundation also created a limited edition C\$ 150 note to celebrate Canada's 150 birthday.

C\$1 theme "Vision"
Senator Matthew Henry Cochrane
Men of Vision Statue

C\$2 theme "Family Business"
James and Christina MacKay
Historic Downtown Mainstreet Cochrane

C\$5 theme "First Nations; Nature"
Chief Walking Buffalo (Tatanga Mani)
Grandfather Tree, Historic Cochrane Rancho

C\$10 theme "Community"
Dr. Andrew Walter Park
Bow River and Bow River Bridge

C\$20 "Legacy Values"
Clarence Copithorne
Norman Edge

C\$150 "Art and Culture"
Senator Matthew Cochrane, painted by J. Scot Paisley
The Palliser Range, painted by Glen Boles

