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Form: Circular

By: Yorkshire Mint

**Date: 1975** 

Ref: Laidlaw: 0616;

Variations: Size Metal Mass Value

451 mm ASilver 41.0 gm \$35

Edge: Plain. Stamped with the Birmingham sterling silver hallmark for 1974-5 (Z) and the maker's mark: "Y.M".

**Obverse:** Starboard broadside view of the QE2 against a globe showing longitude and latitude lines only. Legend on a raised bar from the rim, above: "QUEEN ELIZABETH 2" and below: "1975".

Reverse: A lengthwise oval containing a projected map of the world and showing the route of the voyage. Curved above the map names of the ports visited: SOUTHAMPTON / CHERBOURG – NEW YORK / PORT EVERGLADES – CURACAO / SA BAHIA – RIO DE JANEIRO – CAPE TOWN / DURBAN – MOMBASA – MAHE SEYCHELLES – BOMBAY – COLOMBO continuing below: "SINGAPORE – BALI – HONG KONG – KOBE – YOKOHAMA / HONOLULU – LOS ANGELES – ACAPULCO – BALBOA / CRISTOBAL – CARTAGENA – PORT EVERGLADES / NEW YORK – CHERBOURG / SOUTHAMPTON". Legend on a raised band set in from the rim, above: "ROUND-THE-WORLD", and below: "MAIDEN-CRUISE".

**Notes:** Queen Elizabeth 2, QE2, is an ocean liner built for the Cunard Line which was operated by Cunard as both a transatlan and a cruise ship from 1969 to 2008.

The QE2 visited 23 Ports in 92 Days on her maiden World Cruise in 1975.