Half-dollar coin roll hunting

Search bank rolls for silver or collectible coins.
Keep the interesting finds and return the rest.

01 **Get rolls from bank A**

Ask your bank for half-dollar rolls at face value.
A standard roll holds 20 coins ($10). Easier to order $500 boxes.

02 **Open and sort**

Use good light and a soft surface. Check the edges, then read every date and mint mark.

03 **Set aside finds**

Use the guide on the next slide. Confirm unusual coins with a trusted coin reference.

04 **Return the rest to bank B**

Follow your bank’s return rules. Ask about fees and whether it wants rolls or lose coins. Don’t dump at original bank. It ruins your relationship with tellers.



An ordinary clad Kennedy half

Look beyond the shine.
The date and mint mark matter.

Half dollars worth a closer look

90% SILVER







1964 Kennedy

Any mint mark, including none

1948–1963 Franklin

All dates and mint marks

40% SILVER



1965–1970 Kennedy

Keep every date in this range.

1970-D is a collector-only issue.

COLLECTOR ISSUES

S mint mark

Set aside S-mint Kennedys. Often proofs, in clad or silver.

NIFC clad dates

1987-P/D and 2002–2020-P/D

NIFC = not intended for circulation. The term is broader than S-mint coins.

RARE IN BANK ROLLS

Barber: 1892–1915
Walking Liberty: 1916–1947

Both are 90% silver. Keep any date or mint mark.

COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLARS

Keep unusual commemorative designs.

1982-D/S Washington: 90% silver
1986-D/S Statue of Liberty: clad