Know your money
Make sure you have real money

**Windowed security thread**
On the R50, R100 and R200 banknotes the thread is 4 mm wide. “SARB”, “RAND” and the denomination numeral appear when held up to the light, and a holographic coat of arms appears in the thread when tilted. On the R10 and R20 banknotes the thread is 2 mm wide and “SARB” and the denomination numeral appear in clear text.

**Watermark**
This is smaller and the denomination numeral is added to the watermark of the main motif.

**Different geometric shapes**
These have been added to the front of the notes as an aid for the partially sighted: diamond on the R10, square on the R20, circle on the R50, and different hexagons on the R100 and R200.

**Perfect registration**
This see-through security feature reveals the denomination numeral in perfect registration on the front and back when a note is held up to the light.

**Latent image**
When the banknotes is held almost horizontally at eye level, the denomination numeral appears inside the geometric shapes.

**Unique numbering**
Has moved from the front to the back – a vertical number on the left-hand side and a horizontal number top right. The horizontal number is conical.

**Denomination numerals**
These are more prominent on the front and back of notes.

**Iridescent band**
This is a very prominent feature in a gold colour on the back of all banknotes. When tilted, the coat of arms and the denomination numeral appear.

**Raised printing**
(Feel)

**Microlettering**
“South African Reserve Bank” appears in microlettering to the right of the animal’s ear. The microlettering is printed in positive and negative text.

**Optically variable ink**
On the R50, R100 and R200 banknotes the denomination numeral on the front bottom right is printed in colour-changing ink. When the R50 and R100 banknotes are tilted, the colour changes from green to gold. On the R200 it changes from magenta to green.

**Diamond shapes**
The dots on the front that assist the blind to distinguish between the denominations have been replaced with diamonds: 1 diamond for the R10, 2 diamonds for the R20, 3 diamonds for the R50, 4 diamonds for the R100, and 5 diamonds for the R200.

**Look for security features on the other banknotes**

Old R5 coin
New bi-metal R5 coin

All coins produced to date remain legal tender.

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