

MATSUDA SANGYO CO LTD

GOLD BAR MANUFACTURER IN JAPAN

Matsuda Sangyo Co Ltd, a manufacturer of precious metal products, and recycler of scrap and industrial waste materials, mainly for the electronics industry, has its headquarters in the Shinjuku-ku district of Tokyo.

Gold refining and bar manufacture take place at the company's plant in the Mushashi Industrial Park in Iruma (Saitama Prefecture), 35 km north west of Tokyo.

The company issues a range of 6 cast bars: 400 oz, 1000 g, 500 g, 200 g, 100 g, 50 g.

The bars are normally sold to industrial fabricators in Japan.

ACCREDITATION

1993 Tokyo Commodity Exchange (TOCOM)
2000 London Bullion Market Association (LBMA)

The company also manufactures London Good Delivery silver bars (since 2000) and London Good Delivery platinum and palladium bars (since 1995).

BACKGROUND

Matsuda Sangyo Co Ltd traces its origins back to the establishment of a small foodstuffs company, Matsuda Shoten, in Tokyo in 1956.

In 1957, however, it started to refine silver from scrap photographic materials, and in 1971 opened the plant in Iruma, which now refines gold, silver and platinum group metals.

The company, incorporated as Matsuda Sangyo Co Ltd in 1992, began over-the-counter trading in 1995, was listed on the 2nd Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange in 1999 and on the 1st Section in 2001.

It focuses on three business categories: precious metals (refining and manufacture of industrial products), foodstuffs (importing, trading and processing) and the environment (products, equipment and services, including the collection and treatment of industrial waste throughout Japan).

In addition to three manufacturing plants and an R&D Centre in Japan (all based in Iruma), its customers are further serviced through 12 sales offices in Japan. The company has also opened plants (and offices) in Thailand (2003) and Malaysia (2009), and offices in Singapore (1992), Philippines (2004), China (2007), Vietnam (2011) and Taiwan (2011).

The company's gold output relies mainly on the refining of scrap materials, notably from the electronics, dental, decorative and jewellery industries.

Gold refining methods include wet chemical chlorination (aqua regia) and electrolysis.



Matsuda Sangyo Co Ltd, founded in 1956, has its international headquarters in Tokyo.



The company has manufactured London Good Delivery 400 oz bars since 2000.



Pouring gold at the refinery in the Mushashi Industrial Park in Iruma.



The manufacture of industrial gold products includes gold bonding wires, sputtering targets, plating and other materials.

The company is a Compliant Gold Refiner in the Conflict-Free Smelter (CFS) Program of the Electronic Industry Citizenship Coalition (EICC).

Number of employees: 887

Website: www.matsuda-sangyo.co.jp/english



TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION

Weight	Type	Fineness	Shape	Dimensions mm	First Made*
400 oz	Cast	999.9	Rectangular	260 x 75 x 40 234 x 60 (base)	2007
1000 g	Cast	999.9	Rectangular	114 x 51 x 10	1991
500 g	Cast	999.9	Rectangular	88 x 44 x 8	1991
200 g	Cast	999.9	Rectangular	55 x 29 x 8	1991
100 g	Cast	999.9	Rectangular	45 x 25 x 5	1991
50 g	Cast	999.9	Rectangular	33 x 19 x 5	1991

Source: Matsuda Sangyo Co Ltd. *Year first made in current dimensions. Note: Smaller bars, 500 g and less, are only manufactured when ordered in bulk.

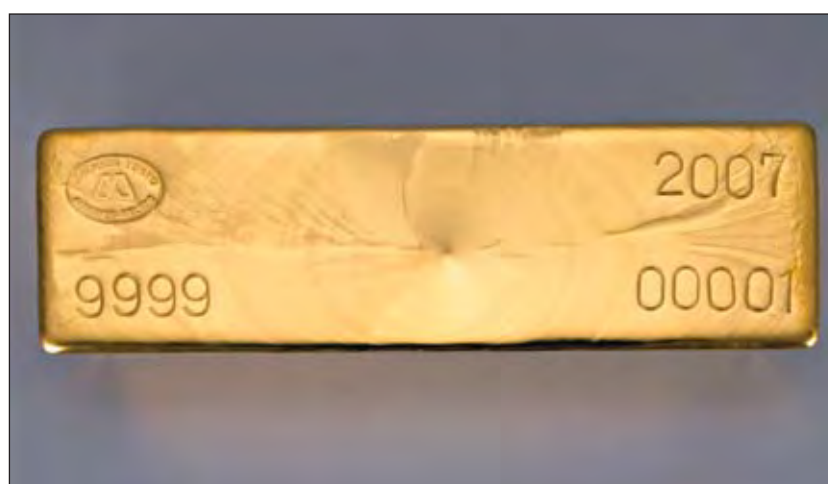
Serial Numbering System

400 oz: 5 numbers plus year date

1000 g: 2 letters plus 4 numbers

The company has manufactured gold bars since 1972.

LONDON GOOD DELIVERY BAR



The dimensions of the London Good Delivery 400 oz bar were modified in 2007.



EXAMPLES OF SMALLER GOLD BARS



200 g



100 g



50 g



1000 g

The official stamp on kilobars was reduced in size in 2000.



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