

SA1041882

Antique silver Marvin half hunter trench watch, Harrods

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1041882****Date of manufacture: 1910**

Description

Antique silver Marvin half hunter trench watch, Harrods. The watch has a Swiss hand-winding movement, identified as by Marvin, which is working nicely. The watch measures 35mm diameter excluding the winding crown and the fixed wire lugs. The case is silver and there are hallmarks inside the front cover for Arthur Rendall. In 1907, an act came into force which meant that all imported watches had to be assayed in a UK assay office and marked with British import hallmarks. For this, a sponsor's mark was required. In this particular case, Arthur Rendell was an employee, and probably in charge, of the department that handled imported watches at a company called Pringles, the UK's largest wholesalers of jewellery, silverware, clocks and watches, so it was deemed relevant to use his initials. The screw-on case back is hallmarked for London 1915 with a sponsor's mark for George Stockwell. The case back is a well fitting period replacement of the correct age which suggests it was genuine work commissioned at the time, perhaps to replace a lost case back. The case is in lovely condition. The front has a small central lens surrounded by enamel filled numerals. The but...

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