

SA1073318

Antique Elgin pocket watch, G M Wheeler, 1894

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1073318****Date of manufacture: 1890**

Description

Antique Elgin pocket watch, G M Wheeler, 1894. The watch has a 15-jewel stem-winding movement, grade 82, G M Wheeler variation, which is working nicely. The variation is believed to have been named after George M Wheeler, secretary of the National Watch Company during its organisation and afterwards. The movement is fully signed and the serial number dates it back to around 1894. The movement is protected by an inner hinged cover. The watch is larger than a standard 50mm pocket watch, this one measures 59mm diameter excluding the winding stem and the loop. The case is coin silver and was made by the Blauer Watch Case Company. Coin silver was usually 90 percent pure silver and 10 percent copper. It has the smallest amount of silver in a metal that could be legally marketed as silver in the United States. The case is in good condition. Originally it would have had patterned detail to both the front and back but most of this has rubbed over the years and is faint. The winding crown pushes in to release the front cover. Inside, there is an acrylic lens which is in good condition. The signed dial has several hairline cracks although most are difficult to see with t...

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