

SA1101079

Antique silver Borgel cased Stauffer pocket watch

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1101079****Date of manufacture: 1900**

Description

Antique silver Borgel cased Stauffer pocket watch. The watch has a stem-winding movement, appears to be an unsigned Stauffer movement, which is working nicely. You will see in the photo that there are two empty screw holes at the edge of the movement... in this instance, these retaining screws are not required as the movement is screwed into the threaded ring that sits around the movement; this is something we have never seen before. The watch measures 46mm diameter excluding the winding stem and the loop. The case is 935 silver so slightly purer sterling silver, and there are Continental hallmarks together with the case maker's mark for François Borgel. Borgel was a very successful inventor and business man, and his company became one of the most important watch case manufacturers of its time. He advertised his screw watch case, such as this example, as "imperméable", which means that he considered his screw case to be waterproof. Early adopters of the Borgel screw case included Longines and IWC. After François Borgel's death in 1912, the business was carried on by his daughter Louisa. As with any vintage watch, however, strongly advise that it is kept away from wa...

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