

SA1143547

Silver gilt William Ehrhardt pocket watch & chain

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1143547****Date of manufacture: 1910**

Description

Antique silver gilt William Ehrhardt pocket watch & chain. The watch has an English stem-winding movement by William Ehrhardt which is working nicely. The movement has a safety pinion, a feature usually seen on American watches, which basically means that if the mainspring breaks, the movement is protected from damage. The movement is protected by an inner cover which has some unevenness. The watch measures 50mm diameter excluding the winding crown and the loop. Unusually, the case is silver gilt. There are silver hallmarks inside both of the case backs for Birmingham 1911, with a maker's mark for William Ehrhardt. The case has some unevenness in places but not too detrimental. German born Ehrhardt emigrated to England in 1851, at first living in London and subsequently settling in Birmingham. He went on to become one of the pioneers of watchmaking by machinery in England. The glass lens is in good condition, just a short light scratch to the edge, quite difficult to see with the naked eye. The dial is signed Bravingtons, King's & Ludgate Hill. The King's relates to Kings Cross, hence the unusual red cross. This particular style of cross is called a cross pat...

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