

SA479176

An antique Hamilton 956
pocket watch, 1915

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA479176

Date of manufacture: 1910

Description

An antique Hamilton 956 pocket watch, 1915. The watch has a grade 956 stem-winding movement with micrometer and a beautiful damascened finish. The movement is fully signed and the serial number 1167727 dates it back to 1915. This was one of the earlier models as the 956 was produced from 1914 until 1930. The movement is accessed through the front of the watch, and it hinges out of the case... the inside of the case back is signed with the Hamilton details together with the wording "guaranteed 25 years" which probably relates to the gold filled case. Some collectors consider the 956 movement to be a low grade railroad watch. The railroads started with fairly modest specifications for railroad grade watches, with the specifications only being upgraded in the 1920s. When the watch was first introduced, 1,500 were actually made for railroad workers. Then Hamilton decided to make the watch a production model for general release to all customers. The watch marketed for \$25 until they discontinued production, and liquidated their inventory. \$25 back then was \$300 in today's dollars. This particular watch itself measures 49mm diameter excluding the winding stem and the loop....

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