

SA559612

Antique Longines silver hunter pocket watch and chain

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA559612****Date of manufacture: 1900**

Description

An antique Longines silver full hunter pocket watch with chain. The watch has a 19.70 stem-winding movement which is working nicely. The movement has an unusual micro regulator, which relates to an 1892 patent in the name of Ernest Francillon, founder of Longines. The movement has the serial number 1,448,975 which dates it back to 1903/04. Longines records confirm that this particular watch was sold to Baume & Co, the UK agent and distributor for Longines, in July 1905. They also confirm that it was sold as a silver full hunter so we can be sure that the watch is in the same form as when it was brought to the UK in 1905. The movement is protected by an inner cover upon which are details of the original retailer of the watch, Sir John Bennett of Cheapside, London, who was also a watch maker... he would have bought the watch from the distributors, Baume & Co. John Bennett (1814 - 1897) was one of the most controversial characters in British horology and, in many aspects one of the most advanced. He greatly advocated the Swiss methods of manufacture where parts were interchangeable rather than being made for each individual watch. This put him in conflict with...

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