

SA559637

Antique silver John Forrest pocket watch and chain

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA559637****Date of manufacture: 1890**

Description

An antique silver John Forrest fusee pocket watch and chain. The watch has a fusee (chain driven) movement which is working nicely. The movement is protected by an inner fitted cover which is signed John Forrest, London. The watch measures 58mm diameter excluding the stem and the loop so bigger than a standard 50mm pocket watch. The case is silver and there are hallmarks inside all three of the covers for Chester 1898 with a case maker's mark for the silversmith Albert Curtis of Coventry. The case has a few fairly minor indentations but overall very acceptable for a piece of its age. The front and back would have had engine turned detail but years of use means that only traces remain. The small button on the top of the stem pushes in to open the front cover. Inside there is a later acrylic lens. The original glass lenses were often replaced with acrylic as it is much more durable. The dial is signed John Forrest, London. It is in very nice condition. Forrest started out as a true English craftsman, making a small number of relatively high quality watches. Later on he became much more of a retailer than a maker. Forrest died in 1871, but watches with the ...

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