

SA586880

1918 Borgel Cased Pocket Watch, JW Benson, Longines

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA586880****Date of manufacture: 1910**

Dimensions

Height = 4.6 cm (1.8")

Width = 4.6 cm (1.8")

Depth = 1 cm (0.4")

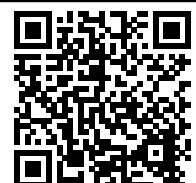
Description

A very rare Borgel silver cased pocket watch retailed by JW Benson, London. A high quality Longines 15 jewel caliber 18.79 mechanism. An enamel dial with lume Arabic markers and 'cathedral' hands. Case inner stamped with the FB logo of Francois Borgel company. A front opening case with a screw in mechanism acting as a waterproof seal. This watch bears London silver hallmarks for 1918. Francois Borgel was a pioneer in the design and manufacturing of early waterproof watch cases. They became popular due to their use by officers in the trenches during the great war and were often advertised as 'active service watches' to the public. Longines and IWC were two companies who adopted the screw case design in its early stage. This example bears the name of JW Benson, London, who retailed Longines watches with their own name on. Borgel watches were expensive to purchase when produced and with a lume dial and Longines mechanism, retailed by a high quality jewellers such as Benson, this watch would have been a costly piece when new. Case Width 46mm From Kembery Antique Clocks Ltd. you can expect a genuine pocket watch that is in full working order and sold with 12 months guara...

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