

SA810956

Beautiful niello-ware pocket watch

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA810956****Date of manufacture: 1900**

Description

Beautiful niello-ware pocket watch. The watch has a stem-winding movement which is working nicely. The movement is protected by an inner hinged cover which has images of various trade medals and brief details of the movement. This inner cover has an inward indentation. The watch measures 50mm diameter excluding the winding stem and the loop. The case is known as niello... niello is a black mixture, usually of sulphur, copper, silver, and lead, used as an inlay on engraved or etched metal, especially silver, in this case 800 silver. It is added as a powder or paste, then fired until it melts or at least softens, and flows or is pushed into the engraved lines in the metal. The Edwardian style pattern with rose gold detailing on this particular watch is very unusual and one we have not come across before. Originally there would have been a rose gold wash around the edge of the front and back but most of this has worn off over the years, and there is some niello loss in places but still a very handsome piece. The acrylic lens is in good condition. The dial is in its original finish and the outer red 24 hours numbers are a nice feature. The watch comes in a new pres...

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