



Antique Fix Pocket Watch With Minute Repeater. 18k Gold. Switzerland, Circa 1915



6 400 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Gold

Description

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<https://youtu.be/vNjBYxAwF4Q>This antique FIX pocket watch, manufactured in Switzerland circa 1915, is a piece that stands out both for its mechanical precision and for the beauty of its design. Made in 18 carat gold, it offers a smooth and well preserved surface on which a delicate guilloché work can be appreciated. On the front cover there is an elegant unengraved floral shield, a detail that allows the piece to be personalized or to be enjoyed in its original purity, a quality highly appreciated in antique watchmaking. The back cover, finely decorated, reflects the Swiss craftsmanship of the early twentieth century, with a perfect balance between ornament and solidity. Inside we find a classic design dial, with clean Arabic numerals and blued hands that

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provide a touch of distinction. On it appears the inscription "Cronómetro Repetición FIX, El Trust Madrid", a significant indication revealing that this watch was manufactured in Switzerland by FIX and distributed in Spain through El Trust Joyero Internacional, a prestigious Madrid jeweller and watch retailer that acted as the exclusive depot of FIX in Spain during those years. This collaboration was common at the time, since Swiss manufacturers sent high quality pieces to exclusive distributors who stamped their name on the dial and on the inside of the cover to certify their origin. In this watch, the clarity of the inscriptions and the harmony of the design reflect that union between Swiss manufacture and Spanish jewellery tradition, achieving an elegant and balanced style. The covers open and close firmly, confirming the excellent structural integrity of the ensemble and the meticulous care it has received. The dust cover, also made in 18 carat gold, stands out for its delicate engraving and for the inscription certifying its commercial origin, preserved with notable clarity. When opening it, a surprisingly clean, bright and free of oxidation or deposits mechanism is revealed, clear evidence of the care it has received over time. The bridges, gears and jewels show a uniform and precise appearance, reflecting a well maintained mechanism ready to offer stable performance for generations. The minute repeater functions with impeccable clarity, marking hours, quarters and minutes with a firm and defined sound that reveals the excellent adjustment of the mechanism and the high quality of Swiss work of the early twentieth century. The watch works perfectly, keeps time regularly and demonstrates safe and constant mechanical behaviour. The watch is presented accompanied by an antique wooden case lined in purple velvet, a box that, although not the original FIX one, complements the ensemble with a refined aesthetic and protects the piece with elegance. This case adds presence and turns the watch into a unique gift or into a notable addition to a collection of historical

watchmaking. The combination of a complication as appreciated as the minute repeater, the excellent state of preservation and the historical connection with the watch trade of Madrid make this FIX watch especially attractive. Three qualities make it a piece difficult to overlook: its authentic rarity, its artisanal beauty and the deep emotional value it conveys. Measures: 48 mm in diameter. Weight: 73.8 g. History of FIX Watch Co. and El Trust, Madrid

The history of this FIX watch intertwines with a period of special relevance for Swiss watchmaking and for the luxury trade in Spain. FIX Watch Co., a Swiss firm specialized in chronometers and repeater mechanisms, produced pieces destined for select markets that valued precision and elegance. At the beginning of the twentieth century, the minute repeater complication remained a symbol of watchmaking mastery, and Swiss manufacturers reserved these mechanisms for prestigious distributors. In this context appears El Trust Joyero Internacional, a jewellery and watch retailer in Madrid located in Puerta del Sol, known for its careful selection of imported items and for its prominent role in introducing high end Swiss watchmaking into Spain. The inscription "Único Depósito en España, El Trust Madrid" present on the watch cover confirms its commercial origin and reflects the close relationship between the Swiss firm and this Madrid establishment. The presence of the name El Trust both on the dial and on the dust cover was a common practice that certified both the origin of the watch and its belonging to a high quality commercial circuit. The minute repeater incorporated in this watch is a direct testimony of the technical level achieved by Swiss watchmaking at the beginning of the twentieth century. This type of piece required meticulous adjustment and very precise assembly, which made them objects of great prestige. Today, watches like this FIX not only represent a technical milestone, but also a significant fragment of the history of European watch trade.

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