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## Ericsson Swedish Antique Wall Telephone 1901 Crank Magneto Long Pole Ab220



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Signature : L.M. Ericsson & Co

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Walnut

Width : 33 cm

Height : 72 cm

Depth : 22,5 cm

### Description

This authentic antique Ericsson AB220 wall telephone was manufactured by AB L.M. Ericsson & Co. in Stockholm. The AB220 model was produced from the late 19th through the early 20th century and exemplified the high engineering and design standards of early telephony. The most interesting detail of this telephone is its powerful 4-magnet generator (likely type RH 4160), as standard models were equipped with 2- or 3-magnet generators. This means that the telephone was made by special order to operate on very remote or heavily loaded lines, where increased ringing current power was required. Also known as a "pulpit telephone", this model combines Art Nouveau elegance with practical function - the slanted shelf was designed for recording important information during

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conversations. Crafted from polished walnut, this Swedish crank magneto telephone generates its own electrical current for placing calls, allowing installation in remote locations without external power. Such telephones were installed in homes and offices throughout Europe, America, and beyond. This piece would make a wonderful acquisition for collectors or a striking element for vintage or loft interiors, showcasing period technological innovation.

**DETAILS:**Maker: Swedish manufacturer AB L.M. Ericsson & Co., model AB220. Serial #324113; based on serial records, this telephone dates to circa 1901.

Retains original paper label with handwritten last inspection date 1904.

**Materials:** Metal elements and mechanisms on polished walnut base, original receiver.

**Size (approx.):** 72 cm (28.3 inches) high, 33 cm (13 inches) wide, 22.5 cm

(8.9 inches) deep.

**Condition:** Very good, minor age and usage wear to varnish, well-preserved original walnut veneer of writing slope and wear to lithographed decal.

**Provenance:** Swedish private collection.

**Shipping:** Approx. weight 8 kg; packed approx. weight 10-11 kg. Secure, insured worldwide shipping available.

**Notes:** Please refer to the high-resolution photographs that form part of the condition report. Colors and tonal values may vary when viewed in person, depending on viewing conditions and ambient lighting.