



Rolex Shock Resisting Wrist Watch

£2,200



Description

Mid-1950s Rolex Oyster Royal Ref. 6144 "Shock-Resisting".

A beautifully preserved example of mid-century Rolex wristwatch, this Oyster Royal Ref. 6144 dates to circa 1952 and offers a compelling combination of understated elegance, robust Oyster construction and authentic vintage character.

The defining feature is its naturally aged warm champagne-golden dial, which has developed a fine and remarkably even patina over more than seven decades. The textured surface gives the watch an unmistakable sense of age while retaining a wonderfully refined appearance. Gilt Arabic numerals sit within a crisp outer minute track, complemented by matching gold-toned hands and a dedicated subsidiary seconds register at 6 o'clock. The period-correct "SHOCK-RESISTING" designation adds to the watch's utilitarian character and reflects Rolex's emphasis on durability and everyday reliability.

Housed within a 32mm stainless steel Oyster case, the watch retains strong proportions and crisp profile lines. The case is paired with a smooth fixed bezel and an original screw-down Oyster crown, maintaining the clean and purposeful aesthetic for which early Rolex Oyster watches are so admired. The 17mm lug width gives the watch a particularly versatile presence on the wrist.

Inside is the Rolex Calibre 710 manual-winding movement, incorporating Rolex's shock-absorption architecture. The movement has been freshly serviced, making this an appealing example for both collectors and enthusiasts looking for an early Rolex that can be enjoyed rather than simply admired.

The watch is presented on a premium dark brown textured Rios leather strap, finished with a clean, unbranded stainless steel pin buckle. Completing the package is an authentic period-correct vintage deep-green Rolex presentation box, accompanied by a later service pouch - an especially attractive addition for collectors who appreciate the provenance and presentation of vintage Rolex.

Details

Brand: Rolex

Model: Oyster Royal "Shock-Resisting"

Reference: 6144

Year: Circa 1952

Case: 32mm stainless steel Oyster

Lug Width: 17mm

Movement: Rolex Calibre 710, manual wind

Dial: Naturally aged warm champagne/golden dial with gilt Arabic numerals

Hands: Gold-toned

Seconds: Subsidiary seconds at 6 o'clock

Crown: Original screw-down Oyster crown

Strap: Dark brown textured Rios leather

Buckle: Stainless steel pin buckle

Box: Authentic period-correct vintage deep-green Rolex presentation box

Additional: Later service pouch

Condition: Excellent vintage definition with honest historic surface character

Movement: Freshly serviced

A characterful and highly wearable vintage Rolex, the Ref. 6144 combines the enduring practicality of the Oyster case with the warmth and individuality of a beautifully aged champagne dial.