



WW 2 Longines Navigators Watch

£1,950



REF: 32102

Height: 1 cm (0.4")

Diameter: 3.3 cm (1.3")

Description

WWII Royal Air Force Longines Navigators Watch.

A fine RAF Longines 6B/159 Navigator's Watch, accompanied by an exceptionally rare and original Air Ministry transit box.

Bearing the official Air Ministry markings, this remarkable timepiece would have been issued directly to Royal Air Force pilots and navigators during the Second World War. Under the Air Ministry's inventory system, the 6B designation identified aircraft navigation equipment, while the 159 code referred specifically to a precision wristwatch issued for personal use by flight crew members in the cockpit. Dating from approximately 1942-1943, with the original transit box itself dated March 1950, this watch represents an outstanding example of wartime British military aviation history.

Details:

Military markings: A.M. 6B/159, Serial No. A 2890

Movement: High-grade Longines Calibre 12.68N manual-wind movement

Case: 32mm stainless steel case

Dial and hands: 100% original factory cream dial, aged beautifully with a distinctive organic "wabi-sabi" greenish patina, complemented by heat-blued steel hands

Provenance: Complete with its exceptionally rare original O.H.M.S. cardboard transit mailing box, featuring the official "Official Paid" crown stamp and addressed to Halifax, Yorkshire

Strap: Period-correct textured brown leather strap fitted with a brass-toned pin buckle

Condition: The case retains honest military wear consistent with its service history. The movement is clean, winds smoothly, and is running strongly.

A rare and historically significant RAF-issued Longines, complete with its original transit packaging, a remarkable survivor from the golden age of military aviation timekeeping.