

Wristwatches and Pocket Watches / Thursday, 19th May 2022 / Lot 1095



LOT 1095

A Cartier 18ct yellow gold rectangular cased gentleman's wristwatch, the signed jewelled movement detailed 'European Watch and Clock Co Inc. Fab Suisse 19 Nineteen Jewels ADJ.TD Temp and Two 2 Pos. Swiss', the painted rectangular dial with black Roman hour numerals and detailed 'Cartier', with blued steel hands, the rectangular case with four screws to band securing the back, the case back detailed 'Cartier' and 'Made in France' and numbered '1399', '34455' and '27390', the case front interior numbered '27390', the case back interior numbered '27390' and '1399' and bearing import mark London 1932 by Cartier Ltd, case width excluding crown 2.4cm, case length including lugs 3.7cm, on a brown leather strap with rose gold folding clasp and yellow gold buckle, unmarked.

Estimate: £6,000 - £9,000

Condition Report

1095. The watch is in generally good honest condition and currently winds and adjusts smoothly, but please be aware we give no guarantees to working order or reliability of any clock or watch.

Please refer to the numerous extra images on our website. A skilled watchmaker took the four screws out of the band and removed the back for us in order for these images to be taken, but this was quite difficult and we will not be taking the back of again. Therefore, no further images of the interior will be available.

The case is in generally good condition with no significant damage or repairs, but typical light surface scratches and wear. Three of the screws to the band unscrew with ease, but the screw at 5 o'clock does not unwind as the thread has gone, so is essentially loose in the case - this is the main reason we do not wish to remove the back again, as the skilled watchmaker took a long time to tease the screw out without damaging the watch. The glass also with typical light scratches. The case has numerous French hallmarks to all parts of case, and lettering and numbering to back of case is good and clear.

The dial has some typical wear and surface scratches with some minor marks. As can be seen in the online images, there is some loss to paintwork around edges and some signs of minor rusting.

The movement looks to be in good order, but sure it would benefit from a clean/service.

The brown leather strap has typical wear, scuffs etc. The rose gold fold-over clasp in working order with typical light surface scratches and unmarked. Yellow gold buckle also unmarked with typical light surface scratches and wear.

Provenance: the watch was owned by the current vendor's deceased uncle. He was a lawyer in London who was presented with this watch on his early retirement, circa late 1960s. It has been in the family ever since.

