

Lot 86



Auction Watches

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BREGUET

Collectable Set of 2 so-called "Souscriptions Watches". Wristwatch / Pocket Watch.

Origin: Switzerland, L'Abbaye.

Date: Ca. 1990.

Clockwork: Wristwatch: hand wound, cal. 567, pocket watch: hand wound.

Total Weight: wristwatch ca. 80.0 g, pocket watch: ca. 225.0 g.

Measurement: W: Ø 37 mm, length 22 cm P: Ø 62 mm.

Case-No: 008.

Movement-No.: 8.

Description: Wristwatch: 750/- yellow gold, leather strap with pin buckle clasp, dial two-tone silver-plated, guilloché, radial Roman hours, auxiliary dial for displaying the week, date, month. Repetition, 2 tone springs hour/minute, bridges rhodinised, annual calendar, moon phase. Limited to 300 pieces.

Pocket watch: dial two-tone silver-plated, guilloché, radial Roman hour. 45 h power reserve, Hammer automatic in platinum (oscillating weight), shock protection Parachute, Glucydur screw balance, back spring fine adjustment. Small seconds, fan-shaped sector for 45 h power reserve, also moon phase and window for date, hands blued. Limited to 300 pieces.

Important set consisting of 2 watches. In 1794, Abraham-Louis Breguet launched the concept of the "Souscriptions watch". Breguet granted selected customers the opportunity to secure a watch in advance of purchase. Prospective customers paid a deposit when they placed their order and settled the balance when they collected their watch. Breguet himself was thus able to obtain liquid assets to produce the watches in peace and without financial pressure. To honour and update their centuries-old tradition, in 1991 Breguet produced a new set of Souscriptions watches consisting of:

1 pocket watch with automatic movement, date display, moon phase and 45-hour power reserve indicator and

1 wristwatch with automatic movement with platinum oscillating weight, minute repeater and perpetual calendar.

These watches were made in a limited edition of only 300 pieces, the set offered here bears the number 8. The pocket watch was inspired by a historic Lepine sold by Breguet to the Duc de la Force on 31 December 1791. The wristwatch bridges the gap to our time and represents today's version of this historic watch.

The two museum-quality watches come in a lockable burl wood box with an integrated watch winder. Additional

watchmaker's tools (setting pins, screwdriver, magnifying glass, polishing rod, replacement strap made of black reptile leather), a detailed documentation and description of the watches by the Breguet company as well as 2 original certificates of the watches are enclosed.

Provenance: Purchased 07/1991 from Beyer, Zurich, for CHF 450,000.

Leather bracelets of protected species cannot be shipped abroad. In these cases, the straps will be removed before shipping.

Estimate: 95.000 € - 130.000 €
