



RARE STEEL CASED FRENCH VERGE POCKET WATCH

£3,900.00

A rare mid 18th Century French verge in a chased steel and gilt consular case. Full plate gilt fusee movement. Finely pierced and engraved bridge cock with steel coqueret, plain three arm steel balance with blue steel spiral hairspring. Silver regulator dial with blue steel indicator. Pentagonal baluster pillars. Wound through the signed white enamel dial, Roman and Arabic numerals, decorative pierced gold hands. Very rare steel consular case, the scene of a couple in a garden and a man sitting on an arch chased and engraved. The matted areas of the scene washed with gilt. Polished steel interior, steel pendant and bow.

Steel cases for watches are very rare. The scene has been cut into thick gauge steel and the engraving is still crisp

Signed Baillon a Paris
Circa 1760
Diameter 47 mm
Depth 12 mm

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