

Edwardian silver carriage clock

Drew & Sons

£1,175



REF: 4269

Height: 75 mm (2.95") Width: 55 mm (2.17") Depth: 40 mm (1.57")

Description

Good quality Edwardian silver carriage clock with its original eight-day French movement. The oblong case has applied twist-pattern mounts around the edges and a similarly decorated hinged handle. This is a particularly fine example of a silver carriage clock.

The first carriage clock was invented by Abraham-Louis Breguet for the Emperor Napoleon in the early 19th century. A carriage clock is a small, spring-driven clock, designed for travelling, developed in the early 19th century in France, where they were also known as "officers' clocks", travelling with the officers on campaigns. Eight days refers to the clock only needing to be wound once a week.

The popularity of silver silver carriage clocks has revived in recent years because they are considered a charming combination of art and engineering.