



Vintage Japanese FUJI WWII 15 x 80 Binoculars

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REF: 28125

Height: 20.5 cm (8.1")

Width: 21.5 cm (8.5")

Depth: 47.5 cm (18.7")

Description

Japanese Observation Binoculars, 15 X 80

A large pair of Japanese ex-navy observation binoculars mounted on a vintage adjustable SOKKISHA wooden tripod. The WWII marine binoculars with 4° incline eyepieces are marked 'FUJI, Meibo, -15 X 80 4°- , No. 4994, Fuji Photo Optical Co. Ltd, Made in Japan'. These binoculars are predominately used for viewing the horizon, the optics give outstanding visual clarity and are equal to any similar modern binocular. The eyepieces can be adjusted for focus as can the interpupillary distance. The binoculars are a one-piece body casting for increased rigidity with exterior ports for charging the interiors with inert gas to expel moisture. They are fully restored to original working order, stripped and polished, and give a very good optical performance.

The measurements are without the tripod.

There is an image of three observation binoculars side by side to demonstrate the size difference. Left to right Japanese 20 X 120, Japanese 15 X 80 & German 10 X 80.

During the Second World War, the Japanese manufactured a great number of large aperture binoculars. Out of all the countries involved in the war who were manufacturing such binoculars, Japan was the most prolific with Toko and Nikko being the largest contributors.