



Vintage Allcock Fishing Reel in Walnut and Aluminium

S. Allcock & Co.

Sold



REF: 24874

Width: 3.7 cm (1.5")

Diameter: 9 cm (3.5")

Description

VINTAGE ALLCOCK FISHING REEL.

A good Allcock fishing reel made from walnut, aluminum and brass. The reel has two bone handles mounted on aluminum fittings on the walnut face, an aluminum spool back plate, aluminum back with a brass starback and optional check. The center pin reel has a quick drum release mechanism. It is in good original condition with 'S. ALLCOCK & Co. Ltd. MAKERS, REDDITCH ENGLAND' stamped on the brass foot.

One of the world's largest fishing tackle firms was S. Allcock & Co. based in Redditch. The company was originally founded in 1803 by Polycarp, Samuel's father. Polycarp was originally an apprentice in the needle manufacturing business, which made fish hooks as a side line. It was Samuel though who really expanded and created the business. Samuel born in 1829 was an entrepreneur, and salesman, and he expanded the stock to include reels, rods and other fishing tackle accessories. By 1880 Allcock's could claim that they were 'The world's oldest and largest manufacturer of fishing tackle'. Allcock's continued to make tackle until the 1970's.