



Turquoise Set Three Colour Gold Pocket Watch
£5,500.00

An early 19th Century English cylinder by Viner in a decorative three colour gold turquoise set open face case. Keywind gilt Lepine calibre bar movement, suspended going barrel with polished steel Geneva stopwork. Plain cock with polished steel regulator, plain three arm polished steel balance with blue steel spiral hairspring. Polished steel cylinder, steel escape wheel, pivots with endstones. Attractive matted gold dial with applied two colour gold minute markings and floral decoration to the centre. Applied gold Roman numerals, gilt hands. Substantial 18 carat open face case with ribbed middle. The bezels set with turquoise alternating with applied gold chased and engraved floral decoration. Matted gold back with profuse applied three colour gold decoration in a detailed chased and engraved floral pattern, the centre of the flowers set with turquoise. Turquoise set gold pendant and bow with applied gold decoration. Winding through the gold cuvette, unusually with crisp engine turning. Number corresponding to that on the movement, maker's mark "LC". In a fitted square red morocco gilt decorated presentation case lined with grey suede, small gold key under the watch.

An attractive watch in excellent overall condition. Charles Edward Viner (1788-1879). An eminent watchmaker in the 19th Century. Watches by him are of high quality and commonly of distinctive construction. Many have complications rarely found in other makers work such as pull wind and alarm. He also made watches of the same overall design with different escapements ranging from verge through to chronometer. Apprenticed to Thomas Savage in 1802, member of The Clockmakers Company in 1813 and was a Liveryman between 1819 and 1840. Casemaker Louis Comtesse, 10 East Street, Red Lion Square who worked from the beginning of the Century until at least 1840. His mark is found almost exclusively on gold cases containing movement by the best London makers.

Signed Viner & Co New Bond Street London
Hallmarked London 1824
Diameter 46 mm

Materials	Gold
Main Gemstone	Turquoise
Hallmark	1824

Antique ref: w11636