

Historical Custer Range Colt U.S. Model 1873 Ainsworth Inspected SAA Revolver



Serial Number 7196, .45 caliber, 7 ½” barrel with italic address. 100% original and all matching and correct. Superior condition for one of these with original blue on the barrel and housing, about the front sight and on the trigger guard. Some color case hardening in the recesses of the frame-bright in the sight channel. Color case hardening visible on both sides of the hammer. Markings all correct and crisp. Fine bore and perfect working order. All original screws with some original blue.

Grips are original Colt U.S. replacements circa 1890 with SEB inspection cartouche (Captain Stanhope E. Blunt) that matches the condition of the gun.

Part of the seventh lot of Ainsworth inspected revolvers-shipped from the factory in May 1874. Possible 7th Cavalry issue within the 4500-7257 serial range and one number from a 7th Cavalry unserviceable turn in (see Kopec and Fenn, p.270). There are five documented 7th Cavalry turn-ins in the 7000-7201 range.

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