



Westley Richards .425 Mag. Exp. Double Rifle

Serial Number T8522

\$25000.00

DESCRIPTION

Westley Richards .425 Rimless NE Hammerless Double Ejector Rifle completed 14th October 1924 for Goolamhusain Allibhoy & Sons, Bombay.

This is one of only 34 double rifles ever chambered by the firm in its famous .425 Magnum Express. The cartridge was described as “Especially adapted for sport in India where it takes the place of the prohibited .450 bore, and in Africa, wherever big game is to be met”.

Built on an A&D action with fixed locks, it includes Westley’s Snap Lever work, Model “C” Doll’s Head, “beetle” back non-auto safety, two triggers and disk set strikers.

In a period Westley Richards catalog, a “Supplementary List of Guns, Rifles, etc. for Colonial and Export Trade”, this model was listed in the catalog as a “No. 507” and it is described as “well engraved and fine finished”.

Engraved on the left side of this rifle’s action body is a stalking tiger and a running Indian rhino on the right side, with the Maker’s name engraved below each game scene. Traditional scroll engraving supporting the game scenes and is also on the breech balls, cover plate, guard bow and tang.

The original 26” saddle lump barrels have original B’ham nitro proofs (425 EX CORDITE 65-410 MAX), are fitted with W.R. patented ejectors (5098/1906) with spring loaded détente for rimless cartridges, and Westley’s pattern rib and ramp front sight. As prescribed in the factory ledgers, the rifle has a full pistol grip with hard rubber grip cap, and an India Hard Rubber butt plate checkered and embossed with the W.R.&Co. logo. Traditional sling eyes, and blank gold oval.

Complete in a lightweight canvas case with Maker’s trade label.

Rifle remains excellent as refinished by Westley Richards sometime in the 1980’s or 90’s. Action body recolored, barrel and furniture re-black, re-cut checkering and refinished stock. Bores are perfect, barrels are tight on face, and ejectors are timed and reliable.

Load data also available for the rifle.

An excellent example of a very rare Westley Richards & Co. double rifle a factory and the factory refurbishments the company was well known for in the latter part of the 20th century.

SPECIFICATION

Location	US
Make	Westley Richards
Calibre/Gauge	.425 WR
Action	Anson & Deeley Fixed Lock
Triggers	2
Ejectors	Yes
Barrel Length	26"
Rib	Quarter
Chamber	N/A
Choke Right	N/A
Choke Left	N/A
Stock	Pistol Grip
LOP	14 7/16"
Weight	11lbs 6oz
Case	Lightweight Canvas



