



P.V. Nelson 20g Round Action SLE Two Barrel Set

Serial Number 1155

\$59500.00

DESCRIPTION

P.V. Nelson 20g/20g Two Barrel Set Boss Type Round Action Sidelock Ejector

Built on beautifully shaped and proportioned round action sidelock ejector, based on the type made famous by John Robertson and Boss & Co., with Boss's revolving turret single non-selective trigger and Boss & Co. type ejectors. The single trigger is swept for a right-handed shooter and the guard bow is rolled for a RH shooter as well. The gun is also fitted with removable disk set strikers and a spare pair is included.

The action is tastefully engraved in a Rose & Scroll pattern and the gold Maker's name in flowing ribbons, expertly executed by the very prolific Keith Thomas (signed by the trigger). The cocking indicators are gold lined and "SAFE" is also inlaid in gold.

Stocked in highly figured walnut with a straight hand grip and nicely shaped semi-beavertail forend with pushrod release. The gun has a 14 3/16" LOP over a checkered butt and the cast is neutral. The stock and forend are finely checkered in a classic point pattern with Mullered borders and the gold oval shows the original owner's name.

The gun has two sets of barrels, 26" and 28", and a single forend and weighs 5 lbs. 10 oz. with both sets of barrels. The barrels are all choked .005" or "Skeet" and have matted game ribs and 1991 London proofs for 2 3/4" chambers. The barrels are simply marked: "*P.V. Nelson (Gunmaker)*" "*London*"

The gun is complete in the Maker's lightweight, toe under, flat case for a two-barrel set and includes a full complement of Rosewood handled accoutrements by Mike Marsh. According to Mr. Nelson, the gun was built as one of a set of three. A pair of 12 bores and a one 20 bore all with the same barrel and stock configuration. At a later date, a second 20 bore was built to match.

This gun is numbered "1" in gold on the top lever, top rib, and forend iron. In addition, along with the number "1", the 26" barrels also have an inlaid gold icon of a ship's anchor on the top rib.

Mr. Nelson started his career at the age of 15 as an apprentice at J. Purdey & Sons under the great actioners/gunmakers Ben Delay and Ernie Lawrence. He later made guns with Hartmann & Weiss as the "London" side of the German gunmaker in its early days. Eventually, Mr. Nelson made guns under his own name. I have read he made no more than 85 guns total, most of which remain in the hands of only a few select collectors.

Mr. Nelson's specialty was the Purdey o/u and side by side and he made a very faithful copy of Boss & Co.'s round body sidelock ejector, like the gun featured here. In addition, Mr. Nelson also fitted the unique and very reliable Boss & Co. patent ejectors and single non-selective revolving turret trigger. The two side by side actions, Beesley's and Robertson's patents, are rarely copied by other makers, owing to high degree of skill and expertise required to make one. Mr. Nelson exhibits his mastery of the Boss type with this gun and it is exquisite on every level.

SPECIFICATION

Location	US
Make	P.V. Nelson
Calibre/Gauge	20g/20g
Action	Boss Type Round Action SLE
Triggers	Boss Type Non-Selective Single Trigger
Ejectors	Boss Type Ejectors
Barrel Length	28" & 26"
Rib	Matted concave
Chamber	2 3/4"

Choke Right	.005"
Choke Left	.005"
Stock	Straight
LOP	14 3/16"
Weight	5lbs 10oz
Case	N/A

