

Medal for the Defense of Sevastopol, Variation 1, 1940s issue.

In brass; measures 32.3 mm wide; weighs 17.3 g not including the suspension and connecting link. Sub-variation featuring a raised border along the edge on the obverse and "curled" ends of the sailor's cap tally (as opposed to the swallow-tailed end as on the other version of the "raised border" sub-variation).

In very fine to excellent condition. The raised details are very well preserved and crisp, showing almost none of the usual wear to the high points. The medal is completely free of edge knocks or bumps. A good amount of the original "gilt" mint luster is clearly visible in recessed areas on both sides. The toning is overall uniform and attractive, having only a few relatively small blemishes, mostly on the reverse.

Comes on an original suspension, a WW2 two-layer model is steel with self-locking pin. The ribbon is old, likely original to the medal or at least of the period; it shows a modest amount of soiling but remains sound and presentable (in our opinion, it adds a great deal of character to the medal, but just in case the new owner prefers a brand-new ribbon, we will include a sufficient length of it on the side at no extra cost.) The connecting link appears to be original and its ends are still joined with solder.

Overall, a very attractive example of the Variation 1 Sevastopol Medal.

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