

Medal in Memory of the Patriotic War of 1812, 1813-1820s.

State Mint issue in copper ("dark bronze"); measures 33.8 mm in height including the eyelet, 28.4 mm in width; weighs 12.1 g. In outstanding, excellent condition. The details are exceptionally well-preserved and crisp, essentially pristine. There are only a few minuscule dings, mostly to the raised edge and all of them barely noticeable, no significant wear of any kind. Beautiful mahogany toning to the copper throughout, free of verdigris or blemishes.

This piece is literally a textbook example, an exceptionally attractive specimen of the Medal for the War of 1812 - especially considering that it's over 200 years old! In our opinion, it is practically impossible to upgrade.

The medal was established in February 1813, following the monumental Russian victory over Napoleon in the Patriotic War of 1812. The dark bronze version was issued to civilians of noble and merchant classes who had made a significant contribution to the war effort or directly participated in combat actions (as partisans or members of civilian militia).

/Dimitri Romanov, The Orders, Medals and History of Imperial Russia} , pp. 126, 127; Mikhail Diakov, Medals of the Russian Empire, Part 3, 1796-1825, p. 119/.

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