

Mortar Clock from Guilmet's Industrial Series



The mortar clock is one of the smaller models in Guilmet's Industrial Series.

The gilt bronze and silver-plated mortar rests in a cradle with a rotating axle. Hence it can be tilted using the handle on top. The mortar is mounted on a fine red marble base with gilt bronze edging. The original 2-inch white enamel has minor hairline cracks at the edges, but they do not detract from the overall excellent appearance.

The 8 day timepiece movement has a platform escapement. Both movement and bezel numbered are 383. The clock is not signed but attributed to the French clockmaker André Romain Guilmet who produced a wide series of industrial clocks from the mid 1870s until circa 1910. Many of these were unsigned.

This clock can be found in the book, *Mystery, Novelty & Fantasy Clocks*, by Derek Roberts.

Height: 13cm
Width: 14cm
Depth: 14cm

The movement is to be overhauled and guaranteed for 3 years.

We currently also have an automaton windmill clock from Guilmet's Industrial series of clock, and coming soon is a lighthouse with rotating light.