

WORLD MEDALS (Military and Civilian)

Listed alphabetically by country – Does not include UK and Ireland.

REF		STG	EURO
FOR015	AUSTRIA. FRANZ-JOSEF, DIAMOND JUBILEE CROSS, 1848-1908. Good Very Fine.	£10.00	€14
M940	BELGIUM, Order of Leopold II, Merit Medal, first class, French legend at centre, gilt. Extremely Fine.	£18.00	€25.2
BLG005	BELGIUM. THE QUEEN ELIZABETH MEDAL 1914-16. Almost Extremely Fine	£40.00	€56
M634	BELGIUM, Order of Leopold II, officers gilt bronze and enamel breast badge, French legend at centre, with 1940-45 gilt M.I.D. palm on ribbon. As Struck, in original case of issue.	£75.00	€105
FOR007	BELGIUM. RESISTANCE MEDAL 1940-45, unnamed, as issued. Good Very Fine.	£28.00	€39.2
BLG002	BELGIUM. MEDAL FOR AGRICULTURAL MERIT 1958, 2nd class, silver and enamel. Good Very Fine.	£30.00	€42
M942	BELGIUM, Medal for Agricultural Merit (1958), 2nd class, silver crown. Extremely Fine.	£30.00	€42
M941	BELGIUM, Medal for Agricultural Merit (1958), 1st class, gilt crown. Extremely Fine.	£48.00	€67.2
M1152	CZECHOSLOVAKIA, Zavodech Plukovnich Medal, pale bronze (unnamed, as issued). Extremely Fine.	£5.00	€7
FIN001	FINLAND. SECOND WORLD WAR CAMPAIGN GROUP OF 5: Cross of Liberty, 3rd Class Merit Medal 1941, first class, Cross of Liberty, 3rd Class Merit Medal 1941, 3rd class, Winter War Medal 1939-40, 1941-45 War Medal, Finnish issue, Order of the White Rose, 3rd Class Merit Medal. All medals unnamed, as issued, mounted loose style, as worn, generally Almost Extremely Fine.	£200.00	€280
FR001	FRANCE, LEGION D' HONEUR, 5th class, Knight, Second Empire, Crimean War period issue. Some small chips to enamel of cross and wreath, blue enamel of central obverse medallion chipped between 3 o'clock and 5 o'clock, otherwise attractively toned and Almost Extremely Fine.	£185.00	€259
FOR004	FRANCE. MADAGASCAR CAMPAIGN MEDAL 1895 (unnamed, as issued). Almost Extremely Fine.	£60.00	€84
fr015	FRANCE. FIRST WORLD WAR CROIX DE GUERRE, DATED 1914/1918 on reverse, 1 bronze star on ribbon indicating Brigade level citation for award. Almost Extremely Fine, original silk ribbon (this somewhat worn).	£35.00	€49
FR007	FRANCE. COMBAT VOLUNTEER'S CROSS 1914-18. Good Very Fine.	£35.00	€49

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FR012	FRANCE. VERDUN MEDAL "On ne passe pas", by Vernier, bronze, 27mm. Replacement jump ring and suspension ring, incorrect ribbon, otherwise Good Very Fine.	£15.00	€21
FR011	FRANCE. 1939-45 EVADERS MEDAL. Good Very Fine	£13.00	€18.2
FR010	FRANCE. CROIX DE GUERRE, 1939. Almost Extremely Fine.	£35.00	€49
M1154	FRANCE, 1939-45 Volunteer Combattants Cross. Copy, incorrect ribbon.	£3.00	€4.2
FR004	FRANCE. MEDAL FOR THOSE DEPORTED OR INTERNED FOR RESISTANCE ACTIVITIES 1940-45, unnamed, as issued. Lacking ribbon, Almost Extremely Fine.	£30.00	€42
FR008	FRANCE. CROIX DE GUERRE, undated, for Overseas Operations. Almost Extremely Fine.	£18.00	€25.2
FR009	FRANCE. ESCAPED PRISONER'S MEDAL. Extremely Fine.	£18.00	€25.2
GE030	PRUSSIA. RED CROSS MEDAL, 2ND CLASS, silver with enamel red cross. Good Very Fine.	£35.00	€49
ge158	PRUSSIA, WAR COMMEMORATIVE MEDAL 1815 (obverse with date 1815 at centre of cross), bronze, edge impressed: "AUS EROBERTEM GESCHUTZ". Very Fine, with ribbon. Issued to participants in the Waterloo campaign of 1815.	£165.00	€231
GE156	PRUSSIA, STATE SERVICE MEDAL (ALLGEMEINES EHRENZEICHEN), 2nd class, silver medal, issue of 1847-1918. 4mm, obverse: crowned FWRIII monogram, reverse: laurel wreath, 3 line legend within "Verdienst / Um / Den / Stadt". Few minor rim nicks, otherwise attractively toned and Almost Extremely Fine, scarce, no ribbon.	£165.00	€231
ge146	BADEN, GEDACHTNISMEDAILLE. CAMPAIGN MEDAL FOR 1849, gilt bronze. Almost Extremely Fine.	£35.00	€49
GE032	IRON CROSS, 1870, 2ND CLASS. Non-combattant ribbon, old replacement ring, otherwise Almost Extremely Fine.	£300.00	€420
GE031	IRON CROSS, 1870, 2ND CLASS, with 25 year oakleaves in silvered white metal on ribbon, non-combattant ribbon. Good Very Fine.	£450.00	€630
ge147	PRUSSIA. MILITARY LONG SERVICE CROSS, for 20 years, silver with gilt circlets at obverse and reverse centres. Good Very Fine.	£35.00	€49
GE152	PRUSSIA. CENTENARY OF THE BIRTH OF EMPEROR WILHELM I, 1797-1897, gilt bronze, unnamed, as issued. Good Very Fine.	£25.00	€35
FOR013	HOHENZOLLERN. CARL ANTON MEMORIAL MEDAL, 1911, silver. Toned, Almost Extremely Fine.	£185.00	€259

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GE148	GERMANY. IRON CROSS, 1914, 1st Class, convex (shaped to fit the body), reverse pin stamped "800" indicating 800 standard silver. Central black cross slightly scuffed, otherwise attractively toned and Good Very Fine to Almost Extremely Fine.	£140.00	€196
GE063	GERMANY. IRON CROSS, 1914, 2nd Class. Good Very Fine.	£45.00	€63
GE159	IRON CROSS 1914, 1ST CLASS, flat back construction. Attractively toned, Almost Extremely Fine.	£135.00	€189
GE076	IRON CROSS, 1914, 1ST CLASS, pin backed, maker's mark "KO" to reverse of lower limb of cross. Good Very Fine.	£100.00	€140
M944	GERMANY, OLDENBURG, Honour Cross (Order of Peter Fredrick Ludwig), 3rd class, with swords, silvered iron. Toned, Extremely Fine and scarce.	£190.00	€266
GE075	IRON CROSS, 1914, 1ST CLASS, convex shaped, miniature lapel or tie pin. Almost Extremely Fine.	£40.00	€56
GE065	GERMANY. IRON CROSS, 1914, 2nd Class. Good Very Fine.	£45.00	€63
GE034	IRON CROSS, 1914, 1st CLASS, reverse marked L/11. Extremely Fine, original case of issue.	£195.00	€273
GE074	IRON CROSS, 1914, 2ND CLASS. Almost Extremely Fine.	£45.00	€63
GE072	IRON CROSS, 1914, 2ND CLASS, contemporary copy, of one piece construction, with blackened silver centre. Almost Extremely Fine.	£45.00	€63
GE161	GERMANY. FIRST WORLD WAR WOUND BADGE, 2nd CLASS, silver plated white metal, solid embossed hollow back construction. Niemann 1.01.17(b)1. Minor rubbing to high points, otherwise attractively toned, Extremely Fine and virtually as struck.	£50.00	€70
GE118	THREE: BAVARIAN WAR MERIT CROSS, 3rd class, with swords, bronze; IRON CROSS, 1914, 2nd class; BAVARIA, LONG SERVICE MEDAL, 3rd class, for 9 years, white metal (all medals unnamed, as issued). Mounted "swing" style, generally Almost Extremely Fine.	£140.00	€196
GE119	GERMANY: WW1 AND WW2 PERIOS GROUP OF THREE: WW1 WAR MERIT CROSS, without swords, by I.C.M.; THIRD REICH POLICE LONG SERVICE CROSS, 1938, 1st class, for 25 years, gilt bronze; AUSTRIA, WW1 WAR COMMEMORATIVE MEDAL, gilt bronze (all medals unnamed,as issued). Mounted Prussian style, generally Extremely Fine.	£170.00	€238
GE127	WW1 HONOUR CROSS, blackened bronze, as issued to the next of kin of non-combattant casualties, indistinct maker's mark. Extremely Fine.	£15.00	€21
GE0401	IMPERIAL GERMANY. Three: IRON CROSS 1914, 2ND CLASS (maker's mark on suspension ring), WURTEMBERG MILITARY DISTINGUISHED MEDAL, silver, HONOUR CROSS, with swords (maker's mark on reverse). Generally Extremely Fine, mounted loose style, as worn.	£140.00	€196

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GE153	GERMANY. IRON CROSS 1914, 2nd class. Maker's mark "Z" impressed on suspension ring. Attractively toned, Good Very Fine.	£60.00	€84
GE054	WW1 - WW2 PERIOD GROUP OF THREE: ARMED FORCES LONG SERVICE MEDAL, silver, for 4 years, with eagle device on ribbon for Army and Naval Forces; THE FAITHFUL SERVICE DECORATION 1938, 1st Class, gold, for 40 years; WW1 HONOUR CROSS, with swords. Generally Extremely Fine, swing mounted on ribbon bar, as worn.	£135.00	€189
GE022	GERMANY. WAR VETERAN'S MEDAL, 1914-18, WITH SWORDS. Extremely Fine.	£0.00	€0
GE143	SAXONY, Old Comrades Association for Veterans of the East and Western Front Campaigns, CHAMPAGNE CROSS 1914-1918, silvered base metal and enamel. Almost Extremely Fine, with its original silk ribbon. Niemann 2.02.24(d).	£60.00	€84
M365	GERMANY, BAVARIA, MILITARY MERIT CROSS, type III (1913-1918), first class, with crown and swords, gilt bronze with gilt and enamel central medallion. Almost Extremely Fine.	£200.00	€280
GE142	GERMANY. WAR MERIT CROSS, without swords, blackened bronze, as awarded to the relatives of casualties, by "R.V.G. Pforzheim". Extremely Fine.	£28.00	€39.2
GE141	GERMANY. WAR MERIT CROSS, without swords, by "G & S". Extremely Fine.	£10.00	€14
GE139	GERMANY. WAR MERIT CROSS, with swords, by "GHO". Extremely Fine.	£10.00	€14
GE009	NAZI GERMANY, ARMED FORCES LONG SERVICE AND GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, for 25 years, small eagle badge on ribbon. Extremely Fine.	£90.00	€126
GE100	NAZI GERMANY. FAITHFUL SERVICE CROSS, 2nd class, silver, for 25 years. Almost Extremely Fine.	£50.00	€70
GE048	GERMANY. FAITHFUL SERVICE DECORATION, 1st class, gold, for 40 years. Extremely Fine.	£75.00	€105
GE097	NAZI GERMANY. HITLER YOUTH, GOLDEN LEADER'S SPORTS BADGE. MODERN COPY. Extremely Fine.	£5.00	€7
GE053	FAITHFUL SERVICE DECORATION, 1938, 2nd Class, silver, for 25 years. Extremely Fine.	£50.00	€70
GE052	FAITHFUL SERVICE DECORATION, 1938, 2nd Class, silver, for 25 years. Virtually Mint State.	£60.00	€84
GE129	GERMANY. WAR MERIT MEDAL, 1939. Almost Extremely Fine.	£18.00	€25.2
GE150	GERMANY, NAVY U-BOAT WAR BADGE 1939, U-BOOTS KRIEGABZEICHEN, good quality early heavy silver plated tombak issue, maker's mark impressed on reverse in 2 lines "SCHWERIN /	£385.00	€539

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	BERLIN 68", with original pin to reverse. Good Very Fine. Forman 85A.		
GE112	GERMANY. WAR MERIT CROSS, 1939, 2ND CLASS, with swords, bronzed zinc. Good Very Fine.	£25.00	€35
GE114	GERMANY. WAR MERIT MEDAL, 1939. Almost Extremely Fine.	£18.00	€25.2
GE117	WW1 AND W2 GROUP OF SIX: IRON CROSS, 1939, 2nd class; BAVARIA, MILITARY MERIT CROSS, 3rd class, with swords, bronze; GERMAN WW1 WAR COMMEMORATIVE CROSS, with swords, by W.&L.M., WAR MERIT CROSS, 1939, 2nd class, with swords; 3RD REICH ARMED FORCES LONG SERVICE MEDAL, for 4 years; WINTER CAMPAIGN MEDAL 1941-42 (all medals unnamed, as issued). Mounted Prussian style, generally Almost Extremely Fine.	£280.00	€392
GE041	IRON CROSS, 1939, 1st CLASS, pin backed. De-Nazified, swastika erased and enamelled over, otherwise Almost Extremely Fine, in original case of issue.	£150.00	€210
GE044	WAR MERIT CROSS, 1939, 2nd class, bronze, with swords. Almost Extremely Fine.	£30.00	€42
GE160	NAZI GERMANY, WOUND BADGE, Spanish Civil War period issue, for German volunteers in the Spanish Civil War, 2nd class, silver grade, in silvered white metal, of single piece die stamped hollow back construction, not voided. Niemann 7.02.09e. Minor rubbing to high points, otherwise Almost Extremely Fine. This pattern of wound badge, originally introduced for use by Spanish Civil War veterans, continued to be issued until at least mid 1940.	£90.00	€126
GE081	EASTERN FRONT PEOPLE'S DECORATION FOR MERIT, 2nd Class, silver, without swords, for meritorious service. Good Very Fine.	£60.00	€84
GE110	GERMANY, MEDAL FOR THE ITALO-GERMAN CAMPAIGN IN AFRICA, early bronze issue, by Lorioli, Milan. Almost Extremely Fine.	£70.00	€98
GE082	NAZI GERMANY, WOUND BADGE, Spanish Civil War period issue, for German volunteers in the Spanish Civil War, 2nd class, silver grade, in silvered white metal, of single piece die stamped hollow back construction, not voided. Niemann 7.02.09e. Extremely Fine. This pattern of wound badge, originally introduced for use by Spanish Civil War veterans, continued to be issued until at least mid 1940.	£90.00	€126
GE094	NAZI GERMANY. FAITHFUL SERVICE CROSS, 2nd class, silver, for 25 years. Good Very Fine.	£40.00	€56
GE155	GERMANY, THIRD REICH, WAR MERIT CROSS, 2ND CLASS, without swords, bronze. Extremely Fine.	£30.00	€42
GE140	GERMANY. WAR MERIT CROSS, swords, reverse impressed "R.V. Pforzheim". Extremely Fine.	£10.00	€14
GE089	NAZI GERMANY. WAR MERIT MEDAL 1939. Good Very Fine.	£18.00	€25.2

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GE137	NAZI GERMANY. MOTHER'S CROSS, 1ST CLASS, gilt and enamel. In original case of issue, inner lid with maker's mark of Ziemer & Sohne of Oberstein. Exterior of case scuffed, medal Extremely Fine.	£100.00	€140
GE088	NAZI GERMANY. WAR MERIT CROSS, 2nd class, with swords, early issue, in bronze. Couple of small spots of oxidation to obverse limbs of cross, otherwise Extremely Fine.	£28.00	€39.2
GE04044	NAZI GERMANY. MOTHER'S CROSS, 1ST CLASS, gilt and enamel. In original case of issue, inner lid with maker's mark if Franz Schurle of Schwab. Extremely Fine, virtually Mint State.	£100.00	€140
GE149	GERMANY. NAVAL HIGH SEAS FLEET WAR BADGE, 1941. FLOTTEN-KRIEGSABZEICHEN. Reverse with maker's mark in relief in 2 lines "FEC. ADOLF BOCK/ AUSF. SCHWERIN BERLIN". Good, early, high quality, silver plated tombak, lacking pin to reverse, polished, Almost Very Fine. Forman 97A.	£265.00	€371
FOR018	ITALY. 2ND ARMY MEDAL, by Affer. Extremely Fine.	£48.00	€67.2
FOR019	ITALY. WAR DEAD MEDAL, BRONZE. Good Very Fine.	£22.00	€30.8
FOR020	ITALY. ALBANIAN CAMPAIGN MEDAL, Victor Emmanuel to obverse, coinage bust. Almost Extremely Fine.	£16.00	€22.4
FOR039	ITALY. MEDAL FOR THE CENTENARY OF THE BERSAGLIERI, bronze. Good Very Fine.	£38.00	€53.2
FOR041	ITALY. MEDAL FOR UNITED ITALY, 1883, bronze, 1848-1922 reverse. Edge bump at 3 o'clock, otherwise Almost Extremely Fine.	£28.00	€39.2
FOR017	ITALY. AFRICAN CAMPAIGN MEDAL 1894, bronze. One side of ribbon suspender loop detached from medal, otherwise Good Very Fine.	£48.00	€67.2
IT042	ITALY. CIVIL VALOUR MEDAL 1851-1946, silver, type 2, without designer's name on obverse (issue of 1900-46). As struck.	£25.00	€35
FOR034	ITALY. ITALO-TURKISH WAR 1911-12 MEDAL. Almost Extremely Fine.	£38.00	€53.2
FOR035	ITALY. 13TH REGIMENT 1915-17 CAMPAIGN MEDAL, for Volkovniau, Veliki, Hribach, Selz, Pecinka, Nad-Bregom, Castagnevizza and Zenson. Almost Extremely Fine.	£28.00	€39.2
FOR032	ITALY. VITTORIO VENETO CROSS. Almost Extremely Fine.	£38.00	€53.2
IT049	ITALY, ETHIOPIAN CAMPAIGN 1935-38, 15TH BLACKSHIRT BATTALION, commemorative medal. Rectangular, silvered bronze and enamel: obverse with fascist flashes in black and yellow enamel at top superimposed on an inverted fascii, to the left the legend "15. BTG. CC. NN. ADDIS ABEBA", to the right the legend "MALTI NEMICI MULTO ONORE"; reverse, legend in 6 lines superimposed on a map of Ethiopia, referring to the 221st Legion, 6th Blackshirt Division, the 1st Independent Blackshirt Group and the 15th Blackshirt Battalion. With original blue and brown ribbon, attractively toned, Good Very Fine or better.	£45.00	€63

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	With details of the various units referred to on the medal.		
IT048	ITALY. 1936 ETHIOPIA CAMPAIGN MEDAL, unnamed, as issued. Polished, Good Fine.	£15.00	€21
IT0404	ITALY. DON CROSS FOR THE CAMPAIGN OF 1941-42. Extremely Fine.	£75.00	€105
IT04041	ITALY. DON CROSS FOR THE CAMPAIGN OF 1941-42, black enamel to obverse, indicating awarded to next of kin of casualty. Extremely Fine.	£100.00	€140
M948	ITALY, 11th Army, Commemorative Cross, bronze and enamel, reverse dated 16th November 1940, by C. Mori, a black enamel cross with Italian eagle at centre, legend "11A ARMATA" above, reverse: central roundel with legend "VEEMENZA A TENACIA, 16 NOVEMBRE 1940 EIX". Small chips to enamel on obverse, otherwise Good Very Fine.	£60.00	€84
IT046	ITALY. WAR MEDAL 1940-43. Extremely Fine.	£15.00	€21
M648	JAPAN, China Incident Medal, 1937, bronze, in it's original card case of issue. Extremely Fine.	£46.00	€64.4
M1072	JAPAN, China Incident Medal, 1937, bronze, in it's original card case of issue. Extremely Fine.	£50.00	€70
JA001	JAPAN. ORDER OF THE SACRED TREASURE, THIRD CLASS NECK BADGE (COMMANDER), 52mm high, excluding suspension, silver-gilt and enamel, in its original lacquer box of issue. Virtually mint state.	£450.00	€630
LU002	LUXEMBOURG. MEDAL OF MERIT, SILVER, obverse: youthful portrait of King Jean to left, reverse: royal arms, legend "Loyaute et Devouement - Trouw en Toewijding" around. Very Fine.	£30.00	€42
LU001	LUXEMBOURG. ORDER OF MERIT, 1961, MERIT MEDAL, gilt bronze, obverse: youthful portrait of King Jean I (crowned 1964) to left, reverse: royal arms, legend "Loyaute et Devouement - Trouw en Toewijding" around. Scattered minor edge nicks, otherwise Almost Extremely Fine.	£30.00	€42
M001	MALTA. SOVEREIGN MILITARY ORDER OF MALTA, Cross of a Knight of Magistral Grace, neck badge, by Cravanzola of Rome, in silver-gilt and enamels, in fitted case of issue, with its watered silk neck cravat, miniature breast badge and an associated miniature lapel button of a Knight of Justice. Case scuffed and hinge faulty, but the medals and miniatures Extremely Fine and virtually as issued.	£280.00	€392
PAK001	PAKISTAN. AZAD-KASHMIR COMMEMORATION MEDAL, 1947-49, BRONZE. Good Very Fine, scarce.	£45.00	€63
m1039a	PAKISTAN 1956 REPUBLIC MEDAL, unnamed, as issued. Extremely Fine and virtually as struck.	£8.00	€11.2
POR001	PORTUGAL, Kingdom, Military Order of the Tower and Sword, 2nd	£700.00	€980

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	type (1832-1910) breast badge, 50 x 42mm., gold and enamel, with original gold bow shaped suspender. Very slight chipping to enamel in three places, otherwise of good quality workmanship, Extremely Fine, and with a small length of original blue silk ribbon.		
FOR029	SOUTH KOREA. SERVICE MEDAL. Virtually As Struck.	£28.00	€39.2
UN001	UNITED NATIONS MEDAL, 1978 UNIFIL LEBANON RIBBON. Mounted as worn, ribbon a little scuffed, otherwise Good Very Fine	£10.00	€14
US005	U.S.A. MILITARY MERIT MEDAL. Good Very Fine.	£13.00	€18.2
US003	U.S.A. LEGION OF MERIT, LEGIONNAIRE'S MEDAL OF MERIT, BREAST BADGE, gilt bronze and enamel. Extremely Fine.	£35.00	€49
US007	U.S.A. NATIONAL DEFENCE MEDAL. Good Very Fine	£5.00	€7
US001	DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS, Navy type with matt finish. Virtually Mint State	£38.00	€53.2
US006	U.S.A. MILITARY MERIT MEDAL. Blue ink stain on ribbon, otherwise Good Very Fine.	£10.00	€14
US004	U.S.A. AIR FORCE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL, gilt bronze and enamel. Extremely Fine.	£78.00	€109.2
M626	USA, Air Force Meritorious Civilian Service Medal. Unnamed, Almost Extremely Fine.	£32.00	€44.8
US016	USA. MARINE CORPS GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL. Rifle suspender, with original top bar brooch, unnamed. Almost Extremely Fine.	£35.00	€49
US015	USA. ARMY GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, type 3, knob suspender, not numbered. Almost Extremely Fine.	£10.00	€14
US008	USA. CIVIL WAR MEDAL. Obverse: President Lincoln facing right; reverse: 3 line legend "The / Civil War/ 1861-1865" within oak and laurel leaf wreath, with top brooch suspender. A late issue striking, Extremely Fine	£35.00	€49
US009	U.S.A. SPANISH CAMPAIGN MEDAL 1898, NAVY ISSUE, an original issue, with issue number 4631 officially impressed on rim. Good Very Fine, with original ribbon and top brooch suspender.	£290.00	€406
US010	U.S.A. PHILIPPINE CAMPAIGN MEDAL 1899-1903, NAVY ISSUE, an original issue, with issue number 3156 officially impressed on rim. Good Very Fine, with original ribbon and top brooch suspender.	£240.00	€336
US011	AMERICAN CAMPAIGN MEDAL 1941-45, unnamed, as issued. Almost Extremely Fine, with original top brooch suspender.	£15.00	€21
US014	1941-45 WAR MEDAL, unnamed, as issued. Good Very Fine to Almost Extremely Fine, with original top brooch suspender.	£15.00	€21
US013	1941-45 WAR MEDAL, unnamed, as issued. Good Very Fine to Almost	£15.00	€21

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	Extremely Fine, with original top brooch suspender.		
VA010	VATICAN, CASTELFIDARDO MEDAL 1860, silver plated bronze (unnamed, as issued). Good Very Fine.	£280.00	€392
VA002	VATICAN, MENTANA CROSS 1867, white metal breast badge. Replacement suspension ring, otherwise Almost Extremely Fine.	£300.00	€420
VA017	<p>VATICAN. EQUESTRIAN ORDER OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE OF JERUSALEM, KNIGHT COMMANDER'S NECK BADGE, in silver-gilt and enamel, a red enamel cross potent with small enamelled plain crosses in the angles, with trophy of arms suspension, 3.5 inches (9cm) high approx, including suspension. Red cross on trophy of arms suspension is a modern replacement, hairline crack to enamel on upper arm of cross potent, otherwise Good Very Fine or better and a rare early example of this award.</p> <p>This rare early example of this award dates from the papacy of Pope Leo XIII (1878-1903) and was originally awarded circa 1885. It is ready for wear with a new watered silk collar.</p> <p>The Order of the Holy Sepulchre was founded by Godefroy de Bouillon, leader of the First Crusade, who captured Jerusalem from the Saracens in 1099. Godefroy established the order in that year to commemorate his great victory, founding an order of knights dedicated to the protection of holy places and pilgrims. By the 19th century it was one of only two religious orders of knighthood recognised by the Holy See (the other being the Sovereign Holy Order of Malta), and was awarded for services to the Holy See, and to individuals who engaged in important charitable work. The Order of the Holy Sepulchre was reorganised in 1868 by Pius IX. What had originally been an order with only one class, Knight, was expanded to three classes, Knight Grand Cross, Knight Commander and Knight.</p>	£650.00	€910