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“Replica” Breitling Navitimer With Working Chronograph



I want to start this by saying that the face of this watch is black, not the blue that appears in the pictures. I think it's the light in my office, and maybe some reflection that caused this.

I can't claim to have seen nearly as many replica Breitlings as I have replica Rolexes. By far, the ones I have seen have been of very poor quality and have had (*cheap*) quartz movements, if the chronographs functioned, or (*really cheap*) mechanical movements with “calendar” subdials instead of working chronographs. This watch came from a friend in Canada and surprised me with a mechanical movement and working chronograph functions. The movement appears to be an Asian-made **Valjoux 7750 copy**. I tested it over 48 hours and it ran about 15 seconds per day slow. The chronograph works well and resets correctly. The finishing of this movement is not as good as some of the Rolex chronograph replicas I have reviewed, and yet it looks like the same

movement. Just goes to show how big a difference there can be from watch to watch. The long-term reliability is another question that can really only be answered by actual use. The movement *looks* fairly strong, and it *should* hold up well.

The other components of this watch are also not as well-executed as the better Rolex replicas. The metal finish is brightly polished on the case, but only the “outside” of the bracelet is polished. The inner side of the bracelet is fairly rough and the “turn” of the links on the inside looks almost unfinished. The clasp pivot is solid (*not stamped*) and closes well. The bracelet is also short. I would say a wrist circumference of about 7.25 inches is going to be “it” for this watch. The back of the screw-down case is polished and engraved fairly well. The crown is not threaded, but neither



is the genuine version of this model. The bezel rotates in both directions and is correctly marked for tachymeter functions. The bezel is not, however, very tight.



As a replica, this watch would not pass even a casual external examination by someone who knew watches. The bracelet alone would be a dead give-away. As far as the face, markings and functionality are concerned, this watch is a decently-executed piece.

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Clear Markings on Bezel

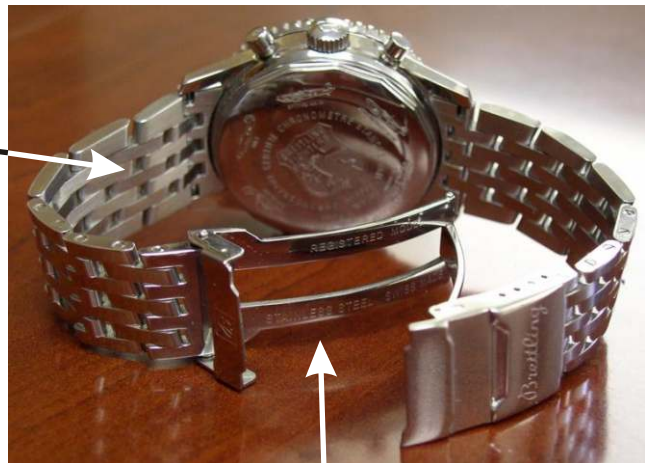
Non-threaded Crown

Non-Magnified Date Window



Polished & Engraved Case-Back

Poor Finish Work on Inside of the Bracelet



Solid Clasp



Brightly Polished Exterior