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## Rolex Cosmograph Daytona

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- Lot sold  
USD 74 109 - 148 218  
EUR 70 000 - 140 000 (listed)  
**Watch type** Men/Unisex
- **Movement** Handwinding
- **Diameter** 37
- **Year of manufacture** 1985
- **Location** 
- **Case material** Yellow Gold
- **Bracelet material** Yellow Gold
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## Description

GOLD ROLEX DAYTONA REF. 6263, CIRCA 1985

Three body tonneau Oyster 18K gold case, n. 9127793, fixed bezel with black acrylic insert and tachymeter scale up to 200 units, concave lugs, screw back stamped 6263, Triplock crown and screwed pushers. Gold Rolex Oyster bracelet reference 7205 with riveted links, deployant clasp marked J11, end-links stamped 71. Signed champagne dial, COSC writing, Cosmograph inscription above the hour register, T Swiss T indication, applied bâton indexes side by side with tritium dots, outer minutes division and 1/5th of a seconds fraction, black engine turned subdials for seconds, 30-min and 12-hour counters. Luminous bâton hands. Manual winding movement, five-lines signed bridge, rhodium-plated caliber 727, n. 16425, 17 jewels, column wheel system, lever escapement, monometallic balance with screws and Microstella regulation, self-compensating free sprung Breguet hairspring, KIF Elastor shock-absorber. Accompanied by Rolex box 71.00.03 and cardboard box.

Diameter Ø: 37 mm

Note: working.

The Daytona 6263 was introduced to the market in 1969, along with its twin reference 6265.

Nearly identical, the only differentiating detail is the bezel: the 6263 has a black acrylic bezel while the 6265 has a metal bezel.

Produced for almost twenty years, it is estimated that only 2,000 gold pieces were manufactured, with an average of around 100 watches a year. Therefore, these Daytonas were produced in a very limited number with respect to standard Rolex production.

Unlike the corresponding steel models, from the first half of the 1970's Rolex marked its gold pieces with the designation "COSC" and inscription "Superlative Chronometer Officially Certified" on the dial. The movement was assigned its own serial number as well, located under the balance wheel, which identifies it as one of the calibers intended for time trials by the monitoring unit.

The watch proposed for sale is in practically mint condition, as it was safely conserved for most of its life by the first and only owner. It demonstrates how a gold 6263 would have left the Rolex workshops almost 35 years ago, with all of the original finishings. The case has never been polished, the movement is immaculate, the tritium dots are intact and with a patina identical to that of the hands, the bezel is devoid of any defects, and the riveted bracelet is exceptionally tight.

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