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Limited edition, numbered up to 250 on the case back.
48mm watchcase, 100% stainless steel, with leather strap and Myota movement.

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DESIGN BY RONALD STEFFEN

The Belgian watch designer Ronald Steffen was born in Zug, near the heart of the Swiss watch industry. He studied photography and graphic design at the Royal Academy of Antwerp, Belgium.
He is also the founder of the exclusive Swiss made brand STEFFEN (WWW.STEFFEN.BE). Inspired by WWI and based on profound research, he designed a unique RSC (Ronald Steffen Creations) collection, with the atmosphere of this nostalgic time. The result is this unique watch collection, designed with an eye for detail. The back of the watches are engraved with a beautiful etching of the WWI airplane and are presented in an authentic wooden box with metal logo plate. **More information: info@rscwatches.com .**
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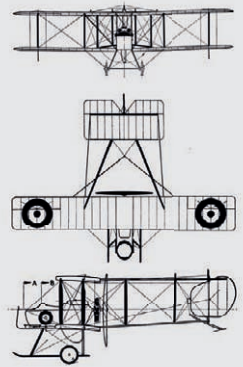
The first "pusher" to enter service during World War I was the Vickers Fighting Biplane 5. A two-seater, it was the first aircraft specifically designed as a fighter for the Royal Flying Corps. The first F.B.5 to reach France was delivered to 2 Squadron in February 1915 and 11 Squadron was equipped with F.B.5s in July 1915.

Also known as the Vickers "Gunbus," it was armed with a moveable, forward-firing machine gun but it was vulnerable to attack from the rear. The F.B.5 was soon replaced by more advanced single-seat fighter aircraft like the Airco D.H.2. No original F.B.5 aircraft survive.

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GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Manufacturer: *Vickers Limited*
Designer: *Archibald Lowe*
First flight: *july 1914*
Introduction: *1914*
Retired: *end 1915*
Number built: *224*
Crew: *pilot & observer*
Length: *8,28m*
Wingspan: *11,13m*
Height: *3,51m*
Wing area: *35,5m*
Empty weight: *553 kg*
Loaded weight: *930 kg*
Maximum speed: *113 km/h*
Range: *403 km*
Guns: *1 drum-fed Lewis machine guns*
Powerplant: *Gnome monosoupape 9 cylinder, 100hp*



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WWI FLYING ACE

VICKERS PILOT MAJOR FREDERICK J. POWELL, (1895-1992) Posted to 5 Squadron, he scored two victories flying the Vickers F.B.5 and four victories flying the F.E.8. After serving with 40 Squadron, Powell assumed command of 41 Squadron on 2 August 1917. He was awarded the Military Cross a week later. Shot down over Auberchicourt by Jasta 10 and captured.



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