Subject: Wanted: vintage leather band 18mm

Posted by dr.raul on Sat, 16 Apr 2022 14:07:08 GMT

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Hi.

I am looking for a vintage (or vintage style) leather (possibly pigskin) band 18mm with squared off stitching at lug ends, this one is not for a Gruen but for a vintage Omega Marine (from late 30s). Online there are the IW available in this size but not all agree about their quality.

If you have one to sell please contact me by PM

Thanks Raul Italv

Subject: Re: Wanted: vintage leather band 18mm Posted by Case on Tue, 19 Apr 2022 15:33:09 GMT

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Wish I did, a common issue for me.

Wondering, would others be interested in getting some custom ones made? There are a few places in Cincinnati and Louisville that could do it. Just wondering if there are sizes and styles others might want to replicate.

Subject: Re: Wanted: vintage leather band 18mm Posted by afire on Tue, 19 Apr 2022 16:48:42 GMT

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Case wrote on Tue, 19 April 2022 10:33Wondering, would others be interested in getting some custom ones made?

Yes. It's amazing to me that the unpadded strap with stitching squared off at the end was the norm for for almost 40 years, and now nobody makes them, especially narrower vintage sizes, like 14mm. And I'm pretty sure that IW has gone under. I used to buy directly from them, but haven't been able to get an order in for about five years. I think what's on eBay is leftover stock, which is probably why more common sizes no longer seem to be available.

Subject: Re: Wanted: vintage leather band 18mm

Posted by Jenneke on Tue, 19 Apr 2022 20:19:09 GMT

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Maybe this is an option?

Buy one of these: https://holbensfinewatchbands.com/products/fluco-pigskin-lea

ther-tan?variant=16232651096175

And add some stitching at the lug ends?

Subject: Re: Wanted: vintage leather band 18mm Posted by JackW on Wed, 20 Apr 2022 00:04:39 GMT

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I have found some very nice bands from this European supplier: https://www.minott-center.com/

I've ordered several of this style:

https://www.minott-center.com/uhrenarmband-berlin-rindsleder -band-schwarz-25211s/a-25211/

Subject: Re: Wanted: vintage leather band 18mm Posted by dr.raul on Sun, 24 Apr 2022 10:54:19 GMT

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https://www.minott-center.com/uhrenarmband-berlin-rindsleder -band-schwarz-25211s/a-25211/ But they seem not flat and without squared stitching at lug ends...