



M 1955 Air Force officer dress visor hat, 1955-58.

The crown in navy blue wool gabardine is characteristically small, of the early style. The band and piping are in slightly napped sky blue wool. Gold chin cord. Early style rounded visor with "scrambled eggs" motif in anodized aluminum. Early two-piece construction, combination hat badge with aluminum wreath and center piece in brass and enamels. Clean, totally legible sweat diamond of the TsEP Factory in Moscow is marked size 57 (US size 7 1/8).

Interestingly, this hat never had a set of wings attached to its crown (there is no trace of it on either the front or the liner), so it was clearly used by a non-flying officer. The wings can be added of course by the new owner if desired. The hat is in very good condition. It has kept its saddle shape beautifully. The underside of the crown has a couple of tiny moth holes that would be practically unnoticeable when the hat is on display, while the top of the crown and band are completely free of mothing. The exterior is immaculately clean; the liner and sweat band are likewise fresh and clean. The metal motif on the visor is perfect and tightly attached

This attractive early hat was used for only a brief period from 1955-58. A very uncommon find in decent size and problem free condition.

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