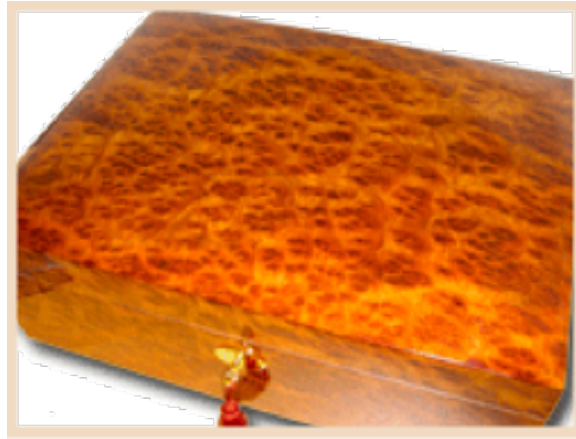


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Daniel Marshal: 165-count Burl

HUMIDOR: Daniel Marshall Burl

TYPE: No. 20165: Private Stock Sale

CAPACITY: 165 cigars

RATING:

LOOK AND FINISH: 95

HARDWARE AND JOINERY: 90

INNER BOX: 92

FUNCTION: 95

OVERALL SCORE: 93.0 = GOLD STAR

NOTES: The Daniel Marshall humidor has made a name for itself as a fine humidor at a reasonable price. At the time I was in the market for a new humidor, I wanted a desk model that had a larger capacity than any of the other humidors that I owned at the time. After a long and ardent search of the web, I came across Daniel Marshall < <http://fujipub.com/danielmarshall/>>. I was attracted by the Private Stock sale, which includes boxes that have minor defects. Based on testimonials from many who have bought private stock humidors, I decided to give them a closer look. The price difference was dramatic. The

20165 model that I purchased in December of 2004, was normally priced at 750 but was on sale for 395.

I sent off an email to Doug Cramer in sales and he promptly sent me some quotes. The humidors can be configured in any number of ways. For example, I wanted a digital hygrometer instead of the analog and also ordered a Spanish cedar humidifier cover, to hide the plastic humidifier.



The near mint condition box featured Vavona Burl and was perfect on the outside. There is a lock with a brass plaque that reads Daniel Marshall. I think it looks pretty classy. Two brass keys are provided. The finish was exquisite and there were no defects in the lacquer, which shone brilliantly. The burl is impressive and the box as a whole would be a proud addition to any desk. The hinges were set in a groove in the back of the box and the lid fit perfectly with a whoosh seal when closed. Really solid feel. The joints were a bit noticeable due to the width of spaces, which were filled with some type of wood filler.

On the inside, the hinges were equally well installed. They were set perfectly into the box rails and the brass hardware was coated. A credo 70 humidifier was set into a Spanish cedar box, which dresses up the humidifier enclosure nicely. The humidifier had slits in its slide off cover for airflow, and was secured by a hefty magnet, a cloth ribbon provides ease of removal. The box has a nice Spanish cedar lining and with a magnetic calendar that reminds the user when to recharge the humidifier. There is also another magnet, which can be used to secure a cutter or other accessory.

The bigger question however was, How did it perform its job? Very well, thank you. With excellent instructions on how to season the humidor and with bottles of propylene glycol and distilled water, the set up was easy. I can tell you that in the months that I have had it (almost a year now), the humidor has performed flawlessly. The temperature and humidity have been rock solid. This is a set and forget type humidor that needs very little fussing. I can be confident that my stogies are well cared for and will be choice and tasty when I purge the box for a smoke.

This Daniel Marshall humidor is a quality box that looks great and can be proudly displayed in the finest office or boardroom. The private stock boxes are near perfect and are a great deal. Doug Cramer was great to work with, very

helpful and prompt in his answers to my queries. All in all a great buying experience and a great humidior.

OVERALL RATING: 92.75 GOLD STAR

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