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Subject: Curvex Trooper

Posted by [C. Hurt](#) on Mon, 01 Jul 2013 19:49:52 GMT

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Model name: Curvex Trooper

Period/date: 1940 to 1947

Gender: Men's

Case Maker: Wadsworth

Case Material: 14 Karat Gold (also available in 10 Karat Gold Filled)

Case Style no: 440 450

Caliber: 440

Movement Maker: Gruen

Bracelet: 14mm Strap

Other info: Also known as Curvex Colonel and perhaps others. Another of the iconic 440 Curvex designs. Offered in pink gold as well, and with multiple dials.

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Subject: Re: Curvex Trooper

Posted by [Gary](#) on Fri, 15 Sep 2017 18:03:02 GMT

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Curvex Trooper 14k solid.

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Curvex Trooper, 10k GF over silver.

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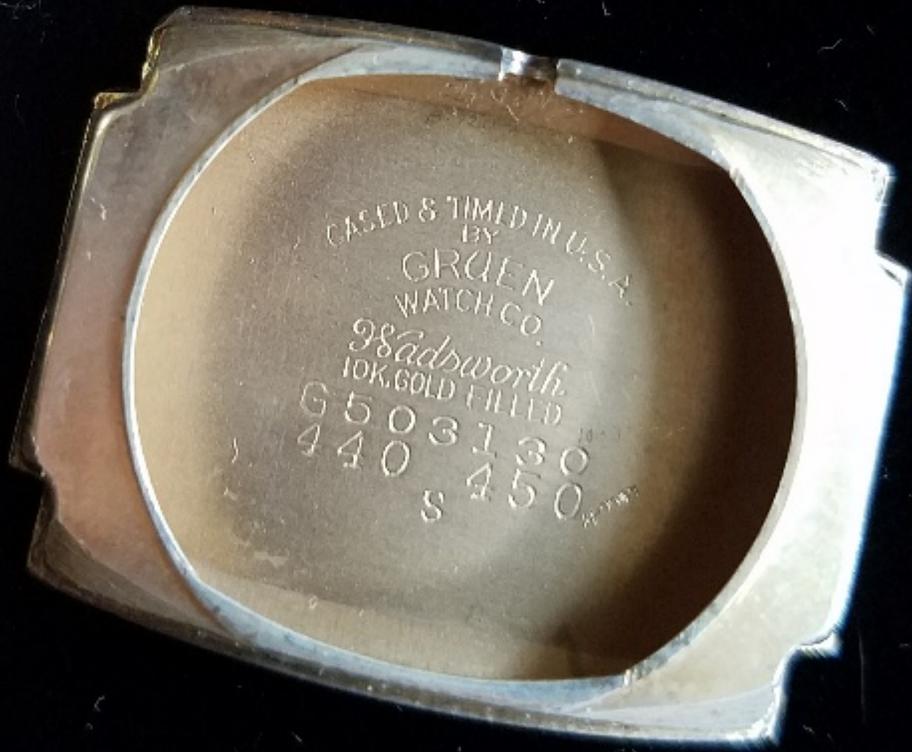


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Subject: Re: Curvex Trooper  
Posted by [Gary](#) on Fri, 15 Sep 2017 18:07:47 GMT  
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The Trooper family.

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Subject: Re: Curvex Trooper  
Posted by [JackW](#) on Sat, 16 Sep 2017 23:21:46 GMT  
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Very nice! The Trooper brothers.....

Too bad that Cary's images have been deleted from the server he was using to host.

Also, nice to see that the Wadsworth Serial number scheme is still holding up to the test of time.

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Subject: Re: Curvex Trooper  
Posted by [timeliz](#) on Sun, 17 Sep 2017 06:17:14 GMT  
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Nice watches both, Gary!  
& welcome to the Trooper club...I also have the gf on silver model but with a much higher sn#  
G525525.  
Production must have been strong for this model.

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Subject: Re: Curvex Trooper  
Posted by [kastner](#) on Sun, 17 Sep 2017 14:53:25 GMT  
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I'm jealous of all these beautiful watches. Now I want a trooper too!

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Subject: Re: Curvex Trooper  
Posted by [Barney Green](#) on Sun, 17 Sep 2017 16:38:26 GMT  
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Is it possible, that the Curvex Trooper was the watch with leather strap, and the same watch was called Curvex Colonel when it was equipped with a metal expansion band?  
It would also be quite unusual if the solid gold version would have the same name, but I have not seen an ad for the solid version. Any one here who knows more?

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Subject: Re: Curvex Trooper  
Posted by [timeliz](#) on Sun, 17 Sep 2017 18:47:50 GMT  
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That is certainly a possibility.  
Found this 1941 ad that includes a gf Colonel (bottom right corner) with expansion band...sure looks like a Trooper to me.  
Maybe you can work some of your magic to enlarge and make the print more readable?  
It wouldn't be the first time Gruen changed the name based on band type.

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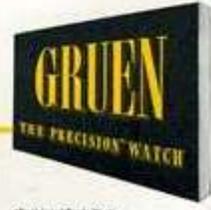


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Subject: Re: Curvex Trooper  
Posted by [Barney Green](#) on Sun, 17 Sep 2017 18:55:55 GMT  
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Yes, I have compared about 10 ads for each watch (Trooper and Colonel) from 1941 to 1945 and could not see a difference. Earlier ads showing the Trooper are talking about the availability of a flex version and ads of the Colonel are talking of a leather strap version vice versa but both

without naming the other version.

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