Engine 557 Number Plate -\$60

Hand crafted by the Engine 557 shop in aluminum using the traditional process of sand casting.

557's original number plate was contributed by Jerry Peters, who followed in his father's footsteps by working in the Alaska Railroad shops, retiring as Railroad Master Mechanic.

Jerry tells this story of the number plate:

Around 1950 his father was assigned to create aluminum identification plates with applied letters to be displayed at the top of the smoke boxes on each of the twelve 550 class locomotives. Many years later, when Jerry was walking through the shops, he found 557's plate leaning in the channel of one of the maintenance shop's H beam vertical supports and retrieved it. Many more years later, he contributed it for use on 557 with the intention that it would again display 557's identity on the working locomotive.



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