



Forgan Gassiat Type Putter

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£480



REF: 30829

Height: 87.5 cm (34.4")

Width: 10 cm (3.9")

Depth: 6.2 cm (2.4")

Description

Robert Forgan Gassiat Style Putter.

A good example of a hickory shafted 'Jean Gassiat' Chantilly style putter by Robert Forgan, St Andrews. The top of the persimmon wood club head is stamped in gilt 'R. Forgan, St Andrews', the original hickory shaft also stamped with Forgan's details. The club face with an approximate 3° loft, traditional horn slip along the leading edge of the sole, sole with two inserted lead weights. Because of its squared off nose, the putter could also be used in the 'croquet style' of putting. In 1910 the R&A ruling against center-shafted and croquet style putters prohibited their use during sanctioned play, ultimately banned altogether in 1968.

The 'Jean Gassiat' putter was given the British design registration number "627,732", this number, issued to W.M. Winton & Company, London, on October 26, 1913, covered the Gassiat putter.

Some clubs will have a patent number or a registered design number. The difference being, the patent protects the invention, focusing on functionality and how it works, whilst a registered design protects the visual appearance, such as its shape, pattern or ornamentation.

The measurements shown are the length of the whole club, the width of the face and depth of the head.