



Dunlop V Bramble Golf Ball
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Description

Bramble Golf Ball 'The Dunlop V'.

A bramble patterned rubber core golf ball in very good condition. The Dunlop bramble ball dates circa 1910 and still has most of its white paint. The ball surface is not damaged, stamped on one pole is 'The Dunlop' on the other is an orange 'V'. A good example of a bramble pattern golf ball.

The ball is approximately 1 5/8 inch in diameter (4.1 cm).

The rubber core ball (the ancestor of the modern ball) began its life in the late 1890's. The first mass produced rubber core ball was by Coburn Haskell of Cleveland, Ohio. The first core balls were hand wound with elastic thread with a Gutta-percha cover, moulded with the raised square mesh pattern of their predecessor. The slight irregularities in the early wound balls made them quite lively, it was not until the invention of the automatic winding machine by John Gammeter (an engineer at Goodrich) and the change of pattern from mesh to bramble that the balls became more consistent and predictable.