Antique Golf Club, Carrick Rut Iron

F. & A. Carrick

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Height: 96.5 cm (38")

Width: 7 cm (2.8")

Depth: 5 cm (2")

Description

Hickory Shafted Rut Iron By F & A Carrick, Musselburgh.
A good quality early smooth faced rut iron, also known as a rut niblick, rutter or track iron. Rut irons were commonly used to hit the ball from cart tracks and deep ruts etc. Young Tom Morris was known to hit his rut iron from the fairway to play a high shot onto the green, a shot only a player of his calibre could master. They say he even managed to get backspin on the ball.
The golf club is with hickory shaft and a sheep skin grip. The head is heavy in weight, has a long hosel (12 cm) and a thick blade, not to be confused with the later 'Rut Niblick' that was lighter, thinner blade and a shorter hosel. The back of the club head stamped 'F & A Carrick, Musselburgh' with their "Cross" cleek mark. Their mark is believed to have been the first mark used by a cleekmaker.

The measurements shown are the length of the shaft with hosel and the width and depth of the face.

A nice desirable golf collectable.

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