



Antique Good Year Golf Ball, The Arrow, Bramble Pattern  
Goodyear

Sold



REF: 28915

Diameter: 4.3 cm (1.7")

## Description

Bramble Pattern Golf Ball By Goodyear.

A good example of 'The Arrow' bramble patterned rubber core golf ball. The golf ball is in good condition and is manufactured by Goodyear. The ball is marked 'The Arrow' on a raised circle banner, containing 7 brambles, on both poles of the ball and is with the classic bramble pattern, raised dimples.

The ball is approximately 1 11/16 inch in diameter (4.3 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.