



Robert Forgan Of St Andrews Long Nose Golf Club, Putter

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£780



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Height: 92.5 cm (36.4")

Width: 3 cm (1.2")

Depth: 5 cm (2")

Description

Long Nose Scared Head Putter By Robert Forgan.

An elegant, scared head (or "scare joint") long nose golf club by Robert Forgan of St Andrews. This long nose putter has a wonderful and graceful shape with a lead weight to the rear and the traditional horn slip along the leading edge of the sole, the polished dark-stained head is stamped 'R. Forgan' above the Prince of Wales plume of three feathers. The original hickory shaft stamped with Forgan's details and is with a period sheep skin leather grip. Robert Forgan became clubmaker to HRH Prince of Wales in 1863 and used the prince's plume of three feathers as his mark until 1901, when upon the Prince became King Edward his mark changed to the 'King's Crown'.

Long nose clubs, especially those attributed to makers like McEwan, Forgan, Philp and Morris are highly collectible and valued for their craftsmanship.

Approximate head size:-

a = 9cm

b = 3cm

c = 5cm

The early clubs are made with long slender shallow-faced heads with an ash or hickory shaft glued to the head by means of a splice or scare joint. This is an early method of joining the wooden head to the shaft by overlapping them diagonally and securing with glue which is then further strengthened by whipping with a pitched thread. All beautifully hand made by craftsmen of the time.