

SA765497

Jaques Ascot Racing Game, 1891-99

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA765497****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 10.3 cm (4.1")

Width = 34.6 cm (13.6")

Depth = 19 cm (7.5")

Description

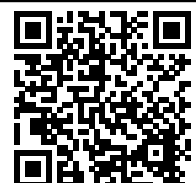
"Ascot" The New Racing Game, Jaques & Son, London, circa 1891-99 the mahogany rectangular box with white metal handles in the Art Nouveau style, a bone turning handle, and eight bone mounted ringlets to the front; inside: a brass turning spindle, eight painted lead racehorses, two (original) wooden spools for the cotton threads, and a large quantity of stained bone gaming counters, the chromolithographic label to the lid: "Ascot" The New Racing Game...By Letters Patent, Makers, JAKUES & SON, LONDON, with the original key. This early game from Jaques & Son features an ingenious method of determining the winner of the race. The game is contained in a mahogany box, with eight cast-lead racehorses attached to a brass spindle inside the box with threads. A hand crank on the side of the box winds the spindle, allowing the horses to 'race' down the table in a random fashion. Players bet on which horse would win the race. "Jaques & Son" become "Jaques & Son Ltd" around 1900. A patent for Ascot was taken out by Francis Joseph Secker and William George Milburn on 3rd July 1891, with a further United States patent taken out by Francis Secker on May 30th 1893. Advertisements for t...

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