

SA949414

A rare and complete Victorian travelling chess set circa 1870

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA949414

Date of manufacture: 1870

Dimensions

Height = 6.5 cm (2.6")

Width = 25 cm (9.8")

Depth = 12 cm (4.7")

Description

This fabulous and finely made English folding mahogany cased chess set has been ingeniously designed to fold away keeping all of the relevant chess pieces locked in place for future playing. The chess pieces are turned and carved in bone. One side left natural and the other stained red. Each piece has a small spigot on its base which locates in a hole in each square of the board. The board is beautifully inlaid with squares of boxwood and a contrasting dark grained timber finished with ebony and boxwood stringing around the edge. There is a boarder around the perimeter with additional holes for storing pieces lost in the game. The case has hinged leaves which fold over and trap the chess pieces in position then the board folds in half and is locked in this position with two brass catches for storage. This delightful set is in very good original condition. Circa 1870 Size when open height 3 cm x width 50 cm x depth 25 cm. Size when closed height 6.5 cm x width 25 cm x depth 12 cm.

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