

SA996482

Regency Pope Joan Card Game Revolving Staking Board

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA996482****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 7 cm (2.8")

Width = 29 cm (11.4")

Depth = 29 cm (11.4")

Description

A good Pope Joan card game counter in turned boxwood painted allover with the various symbols of the game. In very good order. Pope Joan or Pope, a once popular Victorian family game, is an 18th-century English round game of cards for three to eight players derived from the French game of Matrimony and Comete and ancestor to Spinado and the less elaborate Newmarket. The game is related to the German Poch and French Nain Jaune. The name is a corruption of "nain jaune" (yellow dwarf), the name of 7? in France where the game originated. Pope Joan refers to the legend that Pope John VIII was actually a woman. As the Catholic Church denies a female pope, the legend was used as Protestant propaganda in the Victorian era, which also explains the popularity of the game in Scotland. The 9? is sometimes called the Curse of Scotland. We can deliver free of charge in UK mainland and can calculate the cost for international delivery. Payment by bank transfer, PayPal or card via telephone.

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