## The Stickman No. 18 Puzzle Box (Sphere Box)

Although small in stature, the Stickman No. 18 Puzzlebox still delivers the same level of uniqueness and charm as all Robert's puzzles. Never mind that what Robert calls a box is neither square nor has six sides. Apparently, Robert not only continues to redefine the modern concept of mechanical puzzleboxes, but redefines the definition of what a *box* is as well.

These puzzles were crafted with two layers of exotic woods, glued together cross-grained for strength, and then cut into circles using special drill bits made to cut doorknob holes. This construction produced a puzzle that is so sturdy it can practically be stood upon.





On first

inspection, there appears to be no way to remove this pesky "*round*" box from its spherical shell. The inner ball consists of two halves that can twist and gyrate in almost any direction, but with no method of opening or being removed. Even after its solution is finally grasped, it can still be a challenge to maneuver the protruding black spikes of this inner ball through slots in different quadrants of its cage to align them properly.

Limited Edition Status: Limited to 31. Production Dates: (Sept. 2008 – Dec. 2008) Original Sale Price: \$420 Wood types: Bloodwood, Cocobolo, Monticello, Padauk & Holly Variations: N/A Size: 3" sphere Number of Compartments: 1 Number of Steps: 10 moves. Difficulty Level: Easy to moderate. Instruction Book: N/A (Instructions on back side of leaflet).

Special features: Unusual spherical design.

**Goal:** Solve method of opening inner compartment by maneuvering spikes of sphere through different quadrants of its cage.

