

The Stickman No. 9 Puzzle Box (Snowflake)

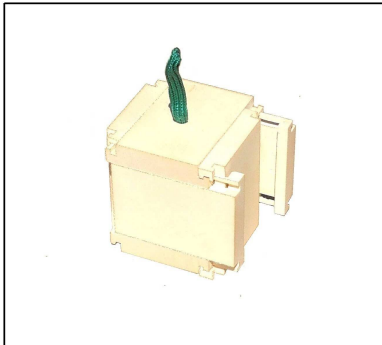
Snowflake puzzles were designed from Robert's quest to produce a simple yet elegant mechanical puzzle that was also a Christmas tree ornament. Most of these went out as presents for friends and family with a few listed for sale. Although simpler and smaller than most Stickman creations, these boxes are only held together by the shapes of their moving parts. They are two puzzles in one and, once solved, come apart into 6 pieces.

First edition puzzles were fashioned out of holly for its ability to withstand the intricate cuts of a special router bit Robert developed to produce them. These puzzles used only wax as a finish to preserve their

pure white color.

Second

editions were called the "Snowball", and were made larger and from walnut to preserve the uniqueness and value of the originals. These are one of Robert's favorite designs due to their elegant simplicity, and come closest to his criteria of a perfect box.



Limited Edition Status: N/A

Production Dates: (Nov. 2005 – Dec. 2005) Snowflakes.
(Feb. 2009 – Mar. 2009) Snowballs.

Original Sale Price: \$35 Snowflakes (\$79 Snowballs).

Wood types: Holly or Walnut

Variations: N/A

Size: 1 1/2" Square

Number of Compartments: 1

Number of Steps: 7 (plus re-assembly).

Difficulty Level: Moderate for both solution and reassembly.

Instruction Book: N/A

Special features: Two puzzles in one. Held together by part shapes.

Goal: Open puzzle, then take apart and re-assemble pieces.

