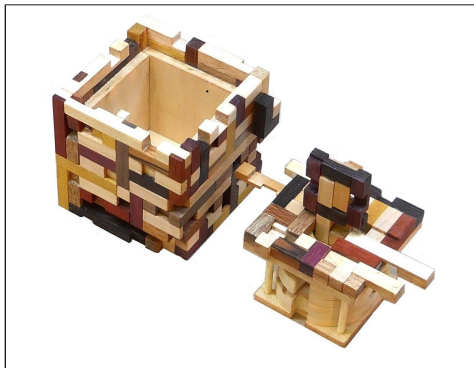


The Stickman No. 22 Puzzle Box

(Gordian Knot)

The Gordian Knot is indeed a unique puzzle, with a name derived from the impossible knot that Alexander the Great cut in half with a sword to solve. This puzzle does not open that way, but still has an appropriate name in that pieces overlap like rope to produce a very complex wooden knot. Its concept came from a collector who loved sliding tile puzzles, but wanted something that wrapped around the entire box.

This puzzle is extremely challenging to solve. Any move discovered among its 130 intertwining pieces seldom reveals the next step, and subsequent moves can be found on adjoining sides or in unsuspected places. During the process, pieces of this puzzle become freed from the box and must be recombined to produce the unlocking key.



Not willing to waste anything, Robert crafted this puzzle from the leftover exotic wood pieces of the last 6 Stickman puzzles, but the patchwork blend seems to work well for it and certainly catches the eye. True to his “painted in a corner” method, the majority of pieces were crafted in advance with little idea of how they would interlock until the end.

Limited Edition Status: Limited to 28.
Production Dates: (Feb. 2010 – Sept. 2010)
Original Sale Price: \$645
Wood types: A myriad of exotic woods.
Variations: N/A
Size: 3” cubed
Number of Compartments: 1
Number of Steps: Minimum of 36.
Difficulty Level: Difficult
Instruction Book: 10-pages, illustrated.
Special features: Intricately cut interlocking pieces.
Goal: Find key and open the hidden compartment.

