

Carved Black Forest praying monk stopper

£25



REF: 7336

Height: 12 cm (4.7") Width: 3 cm (1.2") Depth: 3 cm (1.2")

Description

An early 20th century carved Black Forest bottle stopper of a praying monk, circa 1910.

Black Forest bottle stoppers reflect the region's deep woodworking heritage and love of folklore. Hand-carved from local woods, they often feature hunters, animals, pinecones, and traditional costumes, each shaped with remarkable detail.

These stoppers combine practicality with artistry, sealing wine or spirits while adding character to the bottle. Many are finished with natural oils, preserving the wood's grain and warmth. Collected as souvenirs or gifts, Black Forest bottle stoppers tell small stories of craft, patience, and rural life. T

heir enduring charm lies in the balance between everyday function and timeless, handmade decoration, valued by collectors and admired across generations worldwide.