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Selections for Every Collector





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Violin Cane. This rare and entertaining musical cane houses a working four-string violin and bow in its wooden shaft. 35" length. \$18,500. #31-1924



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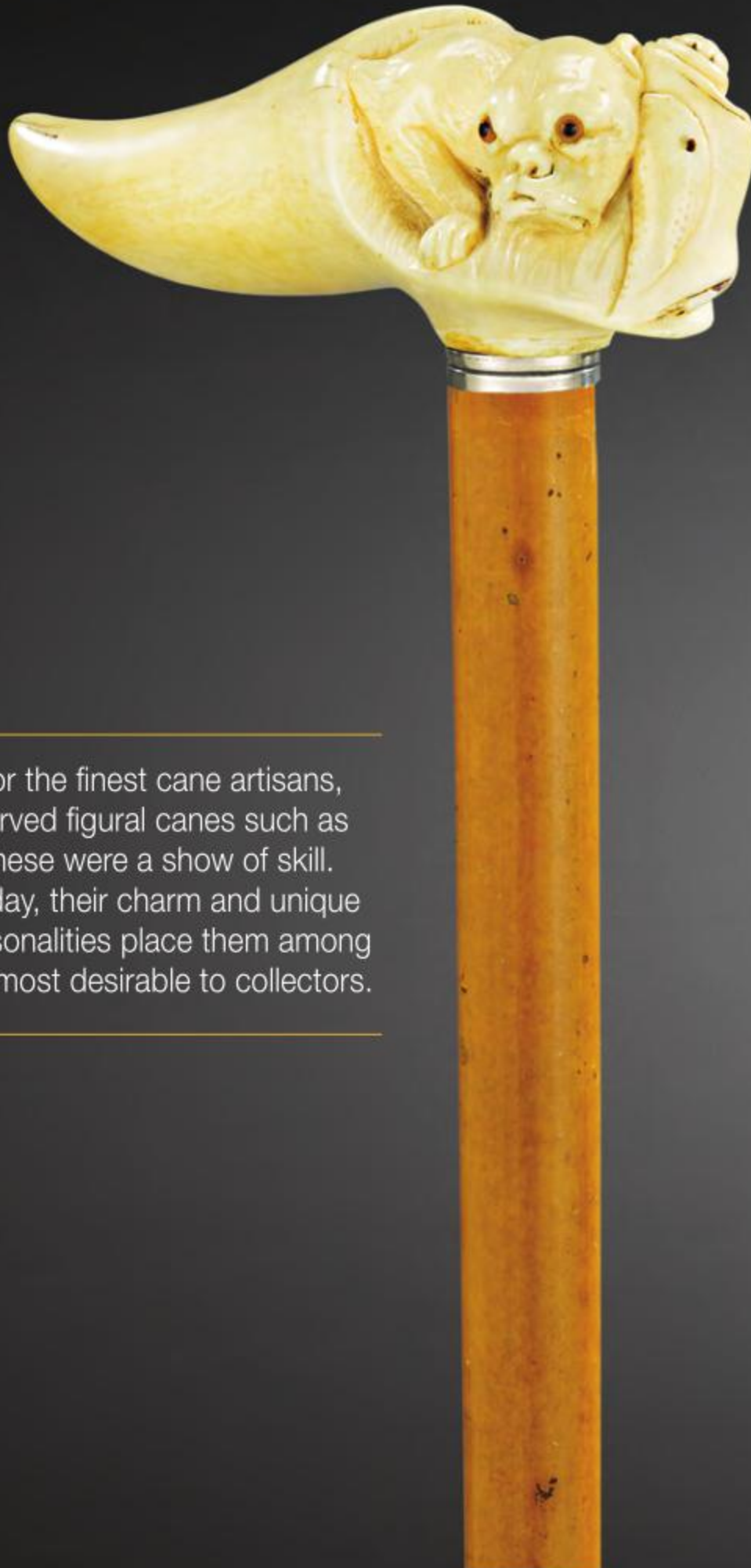
At M.S. Rau, walking sticks have always been some of our favorite objects. Canes are highly diverse, encompassing a vast scope of designs and materials, and they were crafted for a seemingly infinite variety of uses beyond a simple walking aid. Professional tools, protection, entertainment and fashion statements — walking sticks were made for all of these purposes and more. Canes are fun, fascinating and personal, making them irresistible to collectors and an excellent place to start when building an antiques collection of your very own.

Whether you are a long-time cane devotee or a new collector, we hope the exceptional items inside these pages will inspire and delight. From decorative walking sticks that combine form and function to the surprises that lie within system canes, the following pages are sure to contain the very walking stick your collection is missing. Also, look for our “Collector’s Choice” pieces throughout the catalog, representing some of the rarest canes on the market today.

Our cane catalog is one of the most popular each year, and the items within often sell quickly. If you see something you love, please contact your Sales Consultant who will be happy to assist you.

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Dog in Shoe Cane. An expressively carved pooch is curled up in a shoe on the carved handle of this charming walking stick. 32¹/₄" length. \$2,450. #31-1969

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Chinese Man Cane. The carved figure of a man in traditional Chinese dress is executed with a high level of skill in this cane. 38" length. \$3,950. #31-2191

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Aristocratic Cane. This ebonized wood cane features a carving of a beautifully dressed woman flanked by two children and lush foliage. 35³/₄" length. \$2,250. #31-2172

For the finest cane artisans, carved figural canes such as these were a show of skill. Today, their charm and unique personalities place them among the most desirable to collectors.

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Many Faces Cane. The knob of this unique cane is covered in the carved faces of several men wearing a variety of animated expressions. 34½" length. \$2,250. #31-2188

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Man in Hat Cane. The visage of a man bundled up in his warmest attire tops the handsomely inlaid wood shaft of this cane. 38¼" length. \$2,250. #31-1982



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Japanese Lion Cane. A fierce lion watches over its cub in the hand-carved bone grip of this striking decorative walking stick. 34½" length. \$2,850. #31-1989



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Japanese Fisherman Cane. A proud fisherman shows off his catch of the day in this extraordinarily detailed carved walking stick. 36" length. \$2,250. #31-2174



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Ape Automaton Walking Stick.
The dapper monkey that caps this cane dramatically changes his expression with the push of a button. 36" length. \$1,985. #31-2110



Monkey Automaton Cane. A wonderful automaton monkey's head with moving eyes and tongue tops the bamboo shaft of this humorous walking stick. 35" length. \$2,950. #31-2209

Antique canes incorporating movement are coveted for their ability to imbue personality and humor into their subjects.



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Canine Glove Holder Cane.

A Boston terrier carved in lifelike detail completes this wonderful cane. The faithful pooch's mouth opens and closes on a hinge to hold his owner's gloves, scarf or handkerchief. 37" length. \$2,250. #31-2329



Devil Automaton Cane.

The cheeky devil atop this rare walking stick comes to life with the push of a lever, rolling his eyes and sticking out his tongue. 37" length. \$2,450. #31-2105



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Agate Checkers Cane. Untwisting this cane's stunning agate knob reveals a full-size checkers board with playing chips also crafted of agate. When not in use, everything neatly stores away within the cane's shaft.
35 1/4" length. \$4,450. #31-1890



System canes have a dual purpose or hidden function, and game system canes are some of the most highly collected for their entertainment value.

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Gambler's Dice Game Cane. The black and white collar of this walking stick hints to its hidden function. Removing the cane's knob reveals a pair of dice for a game of chance on the go. 33 $\frac{1}{4}$ " length. \$1,250. #31-0576



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Gambler's Spinning Top Cane. Perfect for the sporting individual, the handle of this cane doubles as a spinning dice top when unscrewed from the sleek ebonized wood shaft. 35 $\frac{1}{2}$ " length. \$1,650. #31-0419



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Capodimonte Porcelain Cane. The knob of this rare cane displays the skill and artistry of Capodimonte porcelain, which is regarded among the finest early Italian porcelains. 34¹/₄" length. \$1,985. #31-2082

Checked Silver Cane. Brilliant silver is inlaid into a checkered pattern on the grip of this striking walking stick. 34³/₄" length. \$2,450. #31-2034

Cut-to-Clear Glass Cane. An orb of cobalt blue cut-to-clear glass intended to hold perfume serves as the knob of this bamboo walking stick. 35¹/₄" length. \$1,250. #30-8494

Agate Decorative Cane. A stunning specimen of agate displaying an attractive ombré effect tops this ebonized wood cane with panache. 37⁷/₈" length. \$1,875. #31-2069



Russian Enamel Cane. Brightly colored enamel adorns the handle of this entrancing decorative walking stick. 32³/₈" length. \$1,885. #31-2072



Art Deco Ebony Cane. Sleek and stylish, this Art Deco walking stick features a polished spherical knob atop a fine ebonized wood shaft. 34¹/₂" length. \$1,785. #31-2075



French Enamel Cane. The white and green guilloché enamel and silver handle of this fine lady's cane culminates in a specimen of rose quartz. 34³/₄" length. \$2,450. #31-2068



Sèvres-Style Porcelain Cane. Bold cobalt blue porcelain and gilt enameling frame a hand-painted scene of young lovers on the handle of this cane. 35" length. \$1,850. #31-2066

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Erotic canes, although often misunderstood, are coveted over other decorative canes due to their rarity, wit and intrigue.



Hidden Surprise Erotic Cane. The egg-shaped handle of this intriguing cane contains a hidden surprise — it opens to reveal an erotic scene of two men and a woman. 36" length. \$2,950. #31-2119



Prostitute's Cane. This fascinating and unassuming walking stick is actually a bordello whip — a tool of forbidden pleasures at a "house of ill repute." 35 1/4" length. \$1,985. #31-2168

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Erotic Pipe Cane. An intricately carved knob hides a surprise within — a small pipe depicting a man's head attached to a more salacious body part. 37" length.
\$3,950. #31-2216

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Carved Man Folk Art Cane. An elderly man with exaggerated, grotesque features is carved into the antler handle of this cane. 36" length. \$1,250. #31-2058



Antler Folk Art Cane. The antler handle of this folk art cane is carved to depict the expressive face of a man with a long nose. 36½" length. \$1,785. #31-2249



Garden of Eden Cane. This cane's beautifully carved scene of a woman being chased by a slithering snake recalls the Biblical tale of Eve and the serpent. 34¼" length. \$2,850. #30-1762



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African Carved Man Folk Art Cane. Imbued with a sense of grandeur and grace, the figure of an African man is carved into the length of this folk art cane. 35" length. \$1,885. #31-0608



Mice Folk Art Cane. Two mice hand-carved in intricate detail fight fiercely atop the rustic, knotty wood shaft of this walking stick. 36" length. \$1,285. #31-2313



Erotic Folk Art Cane. This cane's front displays an innocent nude woman, but the reverse reveals a more suggestive carving representing the male anatomy. 35 1/3" length. \$3,450. #31-0058



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Tortoiseshell Putter Cane. Perfect for the avid golfer, this cane takes the shape of a putter formed from luxurious tortoiseshell and silver. Hallmarked Birmingham, 1926. 36" length. \$1,885. #31-2096

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English Silver Compact Cane. This stylish lady's cane is topped by a silver powder compact. Hallmarked Birmingham, 1910. 36" length. \$1,450. #31-2120

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Pool Cue Cane. Nestled within the handsome hardwood shaft of this walking stick is a pool cue. 35" length. \$2,450. #31-2233



Horse Measuring and Whistle Cane. The rustic antler handle of this cane is equipped with a whistle, and it opens to unfurl a horse measuring ruler. 36" length. \$1,450. #30-7223



Walking Stick Display Cabinet. Perfect for highlighting one's most prized canes, this oak display case crafted by the H. Kruse Showcase Co. of Cincinnati, Ohio comfortably holds up to 72 walking sticks. Circa 1890. 36" w x 18" d x 47 1/2" h. \$6,850. #31-2466



Hissing Cat Cane. A wide-eyed, hissing feline is hand-carved to form the knob of this expressive and unique walking stick. 36" length. \$1,250. #31-1064



Carved Dog Cane. Man's best friend serves as the handle for this charming wooden walking stick. Glass eyes and a panting tongue bring the canine to life. 36" length. \$1,250. #31-1055



Horn-Handled Greyhound Cane. The sleek horn grip of this elegant cane is intricately carved in the form of a graceful greyhound. 34" length. \$1,450. #31-2250



Snakeskin Rattle Cane. Covered in snakeskin and containing a rattle, this crook handle walking stick mimics a rattlesnake. 36³/₄" length. \$1,250. #31-0415



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French Surgeon's Cane. An array of surgical instruments are housed in the macassar ebony shaft of this cane, including a syringe, scalpel, tweezers, thread and gauze. 36" length. \$4,450. #31-1870



System canes were indispensable tools for many professionals and hobbyists in the 19th century, and their sheer variety and complexity fascinate even the most seasoned collectors.

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Frog Hunting Cane. This cane's handle opens to reveal a three-pronged spear tip. The shaft then extends forming a spear to which the deadly prongs attach. 36" length. \$3,450. #31-1912



Midwife Walking Stick. A silver-plated handle chased with a tropical scene unscrews to release a Portia Read spring scale designed to weigh infants when a basket is attached. 36" length. \$1,450. #31-1874



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Hoof Dagger Cane. The hoof-shaped horn and tortoiseshell handle of this cane doubles as the hilt of a lethal steel dagger. Simply tug the hoof to unsheathe the weapon from its spotted bamboo shaft. 35³/₈" length. \$2,450. #31-1861



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Japonesque Dagger Cane. The malacca shaft of this walking stick conceals a blued and gilt steel dagger displaying a detailed Japonesque motif. 37" length. \$2,950. #31-1866



Silver Dagger Cane. This seemingly innocent cane topped with a luxurious silver knob houses in its shaft a deadly dagger. 38" length. \$2,250. #31-2107



Blued Steel Sword Cane. A rich hardwood shaft secretly sheathes a handsomely decorated blued steel sword in this surprising weapon cane. 31" length. \$2,985. #31-2091



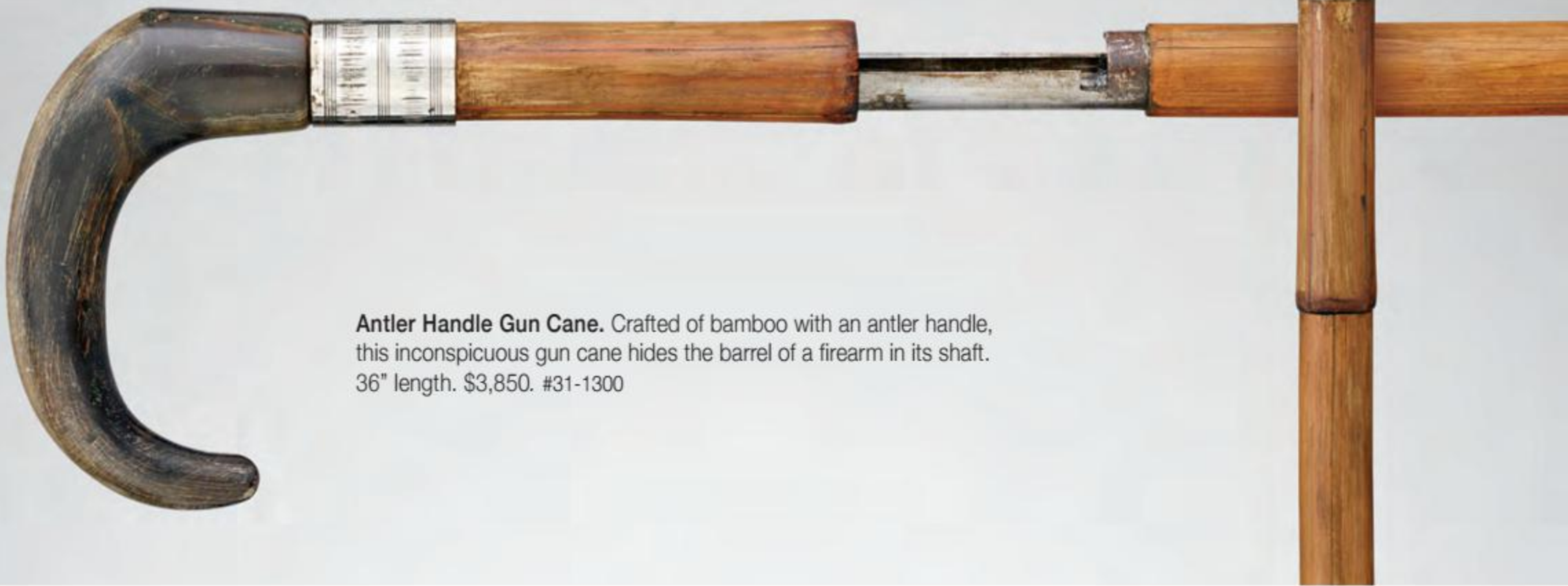
Besppectaced Sword Cane. An amusing hand-carved man wearing glasses sits atop this walking stick, but this unassuming cane doubles as a sword. 36³/₄" length. \$2,450. #31-0597



Cane Display Cabinet. With slots that can accommodate up to 70 canes, this oak walking stick case by Alexander H. Revell & Co. of Chicago has glass panes that allow for protected storage and display. Both the domed glass lid and the back panel open for easy access to the canes inside. 24³/₄"w x 26¹/₄"d x 47¹/₈"h. \$6,850. #31-2468

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Weapon canes are among the most complex and scarce of all walking sticks as they were skillfully and cleverly engineered to conceal a host of deadly weapons, including swords, daggers, spikes, bludgeons and even guns.



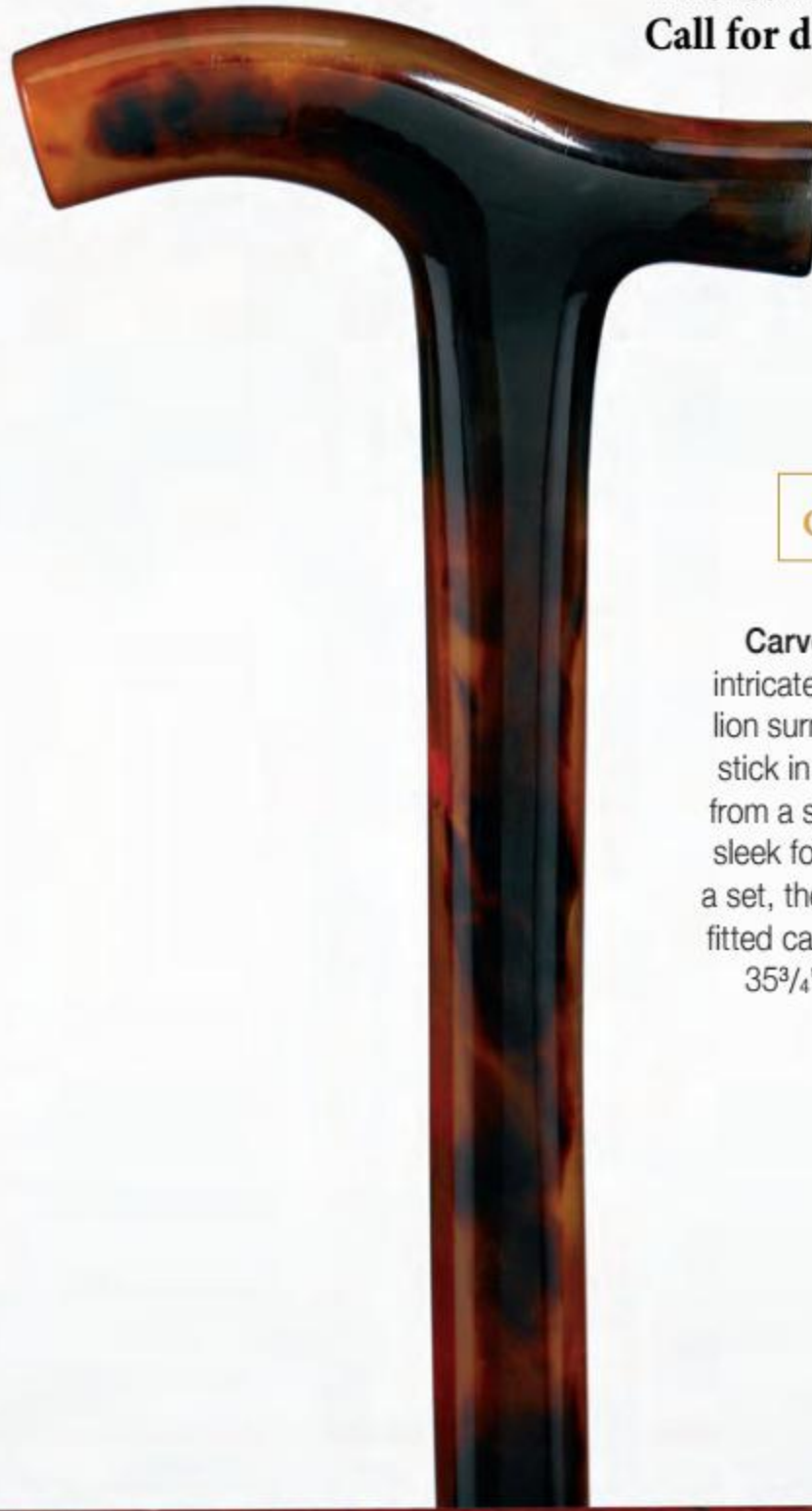
Antler Handle Gun Cane. Crafted of bamboo with an antler handle, this inconspicuous gun cane hides the barrel of a firearm in its shaft. 36" length. \$3,850. #31-1300



Pepperbox Cane. The sleek horn handle of this cane is also the grip of a rare six-shot pepperbox gun held within. The pistol combines with a dagger for added protection. Circa 1880. 34½" length. \$7,450. #31-1920



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Carved Lion and Tortoiseshell Cane Set. An intricately carved "L" handle depicting a recumbent lion surmounts the knobby shaft of the first walking stick in this elegant pair. The second cane, crafted from a single specimen of rare tortoiseshell, bears a sleek form with a curved handle. Commissioned as a set, the pair are presented together in their custom fitted case engraved with the original owner's name. 35³/₄" length; 35¹/₄" length. \$10,875. #31-0044





Traveler's Contraband Cane. This walking stick disassembles to reveal four vials for a hidden stash of liquor or other illicit goods beneath its finely decorated rolled gold handle. 35" length. \$1,650. #31-0431



Prohibition Flask Cane. An essential accessory for the days of Prohibition, this unassuming system cane conceals a liquor flask within its shaft. The horn handle has a small opening from which one could imbibe without drawing attention. 36" length. \$3,450. #30-7052





French Silver Walking Stick. The exquisitely formed and chased crook handle of this Art Nouveau cane displays a lovely floral motif. Dated 1880. 34³/₈" length. \$1,885. #29-8236



Silver Bust Cane. A woman's uplifted face is rendered in fine silver in the knob of this elegant walking stick. 37¹/₄" length. \$1,285. #31-2040



Jester Cane. The image of a frolicking court jester crafted from silver poses atop the polished hardwood shaft of this cane. 36" length. \$1,285. #31-2050



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Art Nouveau Nude Cane. A seductive nude emerges from the silver handle of this outstanding Art Nouveau walking stick. 37" length. \$2,450. #31-2009



Silver Beetle Cane. A sterling silver handle chased with flowering vines and a beetle tops a polished hardwood shaft in this sophisticated cane. 37 1/4" length. \$2,250. #31-2007



Elephant Cane. This cane's silvered metal handle takes the form of a majestic elephant's head. Its mighty tusks and trunk lend lifelike personality. 36" length. \$1,250. #31-0448

Smoking canes were symbols of taste and class for both gentlemen and ladies of their period and are highly desirable among tobacco enthusiasts and cane collectors alike.

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Candle Cane. The silvered metal knob of this cane opens to expose a candle holder atop a pop-up match safe with striker. 36 $\frac{1}{8}$ " length. \$2,250. #31-1906



Ronson Lighter Cane. A sleek, silver Ronson lighter doubles as the handle of this handsome Art Deco cane. 36" length. \$3,250. #30-6444



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Cigar Smoker's Cane. This distinguished cane holds a cigar punch within its shaft. The punch, advertising El Belmont Havana Cigars, is revealed upon unscrewing the knob. Circa 1910. 34½" length. \$1,450. #31-0425



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Cigar Punch Smoker's Cane. The hollow horn handle of this attractive malacca cane is conveniently designed to hold a cigar cutter for a smoke on the go. 34½" length. \$1,985. #31-0393



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Jeweler's Cane. A necessity for the traveling jeweler, this cane houses everything needed to fit a ring to a client. The silver knob detaches to reveal a series of twenty-four numbered brass sizing rings, while the enlarged brass ferrule serves as a mandrel used to determine a ring's size. 36³/₈" length. \$2,995. #31-1872



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Sewing Kit Cane. All the tools a tailor needs for on-the-go mending are contained within this walking stick, including a needle, thimble and threaded bobbins. 36" length. \$2,250. #31-0422



Customs Agent Cane. This ingenious cane was once used by a customs agent to inspect the contents of incoming shipments. Its hollow shaft is divided into three segments able to take samples at three different levels within the shipment. 36 $\frac{1}{2}$ " length. \$1,885. #31-1868



Riding Crop Cane. The flexible, leather-wrapped shaft of this stylish cane serves as a riding crop and is topped by a handsome silver horse's head. 38" length. \$2,850. #31-2167



Tripod Cane. The wooden staff of this cane unfolds to create the legs of a tripod while the knob becomes a base for a camera. 39³/₄" length. \$1,885. #31-0430



Napoléon Shadow Cane. This cane is designed to discreetly show one's loyalty to Napoléon. In the right light, the knob casts a shadow of the exiled Emperor in profile. Circa 1814. 34⁵/₈" length. \$4,950. #30-5678

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Gold Monocular Cane. A finely engraved monocular crafted of 15K yellow gold rests atop the malacca shaft of this French walking stick. Used during an evening at the opera, this wonderful cane would have given the wearer a better view of the action on stage. Inset into the top of the monocular is the glass-protected portrait of a lady. Circa 1860. 39¹/₄" length. \$8,850 #30-8455

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