

19TH CENTURY FRENCH LOUIS XIII WALNUT ENVELOPE CARD TABLE WITH DRAWER

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Combining refined craftsmanship with an ingenious space-saving design, this antique Louis XIII-style envelope card table was crafted in France circa 1890. Built of richly patinated walnut, the square games table stands on four boldly carved barley-twist legs ending in rounded bun feet. The supports are joined by an elaborate X-form twisted stretcher centered by a turned urn finial, giving the compact table a particularly sculptural architectural presence.

The molded frieze incorporates a useful storage drawer fitted with a brass ring pull and is accented at the corners with carved foliate blocks. When closed, the top displays four triangular panels converging around a pierced floral rosette. The hinged envelope leaves unfold as the top rotates, revealing a larger square playing surface lined in green baize and framed by a walnut border.

In excellent condition commensurate with age and use, the table displays a warm walnut patina. Practical and versatile, it may serve as a card or game table, side table, occasional table, or compact drinks table in a library, den, or living room.

Dimensions:
Closed: 22.5" W x 22.5" D x 29.75" H
Open: 31.75" W x 31.75" D x 28.5" H

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