

# Cristopher Columbus Corkscrew

**\$0.50**  
Paid

From: Estate sale box lot



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### Description:

A Christopher Columbus corkscrew. You drop his pants to access the corkscrew.

Winning Bid:

**\$878.00**

Ended: ??/08

History: 29 bids

Starting Bid: \$9.99

Winner: Italy

Viewed

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## Colleen's Story (eBay ID popngirl)

Here is my story: Years ago my father bought a box lot for 50 cents. Those were the days when nice box lots went for even 25 cents. In this box was a corkscrew.

For years it just sat around. Then last year in December it was sitting on my desk where I do eBay and we were entertaining and I bought it out and showed it to our guests. Some found no humor in my little Christopher Columbus who when you drop his pants you find the corkscrew. Others found him unique and different. I mentioned I was thinking of selling him on eBay, and someone said, "Why waste your time, don't you post enough small priced items that never sell?" I think they are jealous that this is all I do, you know, "don't REALLY work and just play on ebay." LOL if they only knew.

So with that negativity thrown on me, which I never let get to me, I posted him, within minutes I received two emails asking me to sell him directly to them. One offered me \$175. and the other \$225. Of course I responded back to tell them, "Thanks, but the bidding has already started, good luck on your bidding."

I started him at \$9.99. By the end of the first day he was up to \$450. I

had 299 hits on the him, 38 watchers and 28 bids. At the last second I sold him for \$878. to a lady in Italy. The lady did not want insurance on him, and yes I used Auctiva, so for my own peace of mind I paid for the insurance and sent him off.

You just never know what will sell and how much you will get, and I still buy box lots for about \$1.00 now and always make out, you just have to be willing to weed thru the other items.

My family like yours has been in the antique/collectible business for over 40 years with having stores in Maryland, Pennsylvania and Delaware, now I just do co-ops, frees my time up and I have been doing eBay for about 2 years, Some months I am very serious about eBay and others not so.

