



*Bright stainless steel ball hitting the ground.
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Petanque

In petanque, the goal is to throw hollow metal balls weighing between 650 and 800g as close as possible to a small wooden ball called a cochonnet (literally “piglet”) or jack. Practiced by people of all ages, it is a relaxing sport practiced mostly outdoors during summer vacations.

Steel balls are made of steel, sometimes chromium-plated steel or stainless steel.

Martensitic stainless steels are chosen for top quality sets. Depending upon the hardness, a “soft touch” or a “medium hard” touch are available. Stainless steel provides a longer life and does not require any precaution against corrosion.