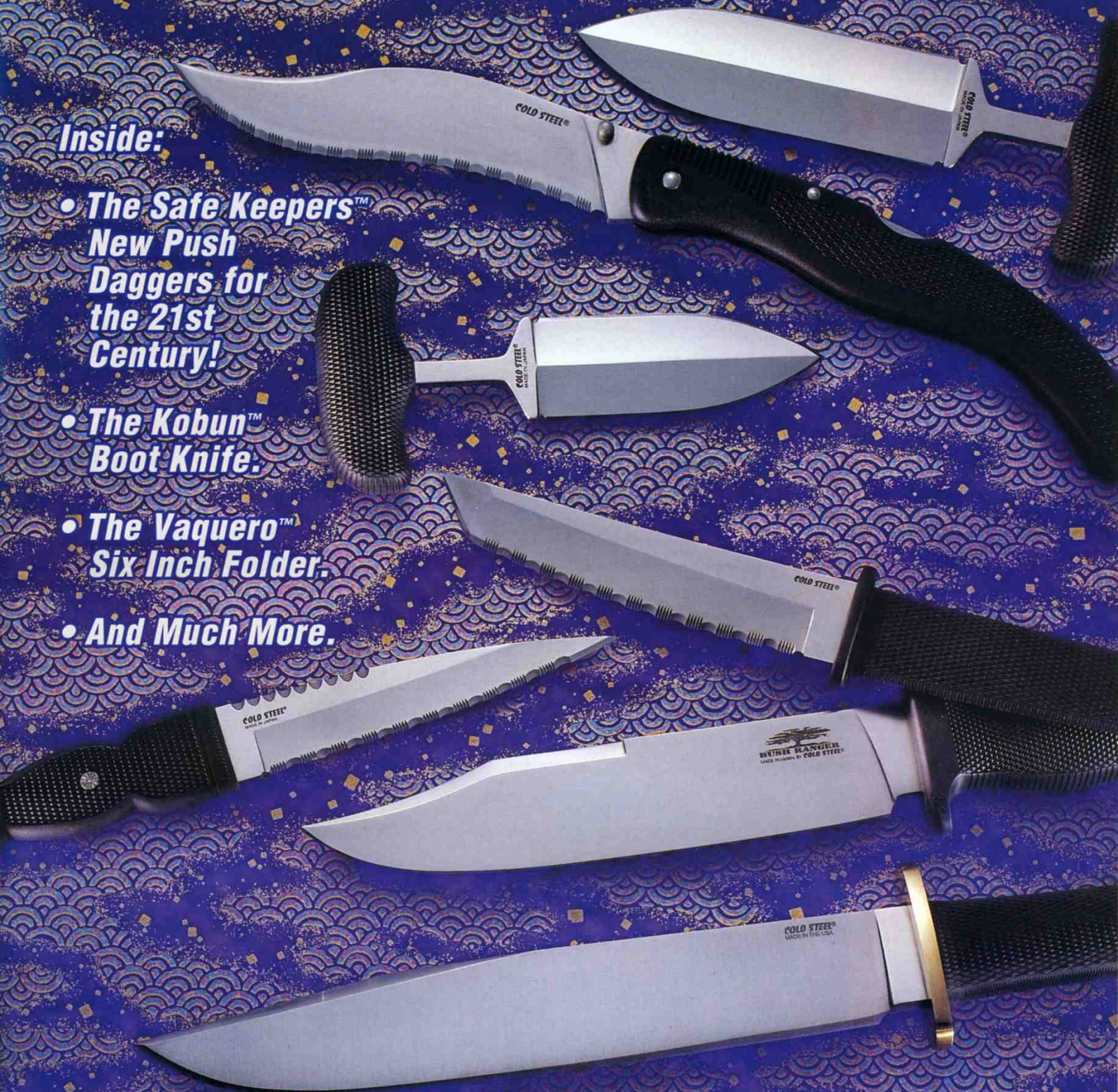


COLD STEEL®

High Performance Knives

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Daggers for
the 21st
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Performance

Good looks are important, in knives as much as in life! Perfect fits, clean lines, precise grinds and beautiful polishes all add value and satisfaction when you buy a knife. But often the true beauty of a knife only becomes apparent when the knife is used! Solid, dependable performance will give years of faithful service and happy memories long after

the "newness" is gone. That's why at Cold Steel®, we believe that all our knives must perform. That means from the smallest and least expensive to the finest and most expensive. All must deliver extraordinary performance for their asking price. In other words, they must deliver "more than their money's worth". In order to achieve this goal,

we are vitally interested in all the elements that are critical to performance. When it comes to the blade, these include profile, thickness, blade geometry, edge geometry, steel and heat treatment. Every one of these factors is studied in great detail to arrive at the optimum combination for a specific use. If the knife is a folder, we concentrate

on the locking mechanism to ensure the strongest, safest construction. For handles, we strive to develop the perfect mix of materials and ergonomics to offer the most comfortable secure grip available. And, above all, we TEST what we make! Rigorous testing is the only way to ensure we get the level of performance we demand.

Tests of Strength



The Carbon V® Trail Master® under extreme pressure at about 23° of torque. This blade returned to true after over one hour in this position. Most knives shatter or permanently bend well before they reach this point.



The original Tanto penetrating a car door. Critics say that practically any knife can be hammered through a car door... but unlike other knives, the Tanto's point is remarkably unaffected by the ordeal.



Hammering a knife into hard maple and then snapping it out sharply to the side is an extreme test of point strength. Virtually all other knives fail this test: bending or breaking at the tip. Cold Steel® is undamaged.



Manila rope is very tough on a knife edge. Its exterior repels all but the sharpest edges while its interior is abrasive enough to dull even the finest custom knives. Edges that can repeatedly cut this rope will last indefinitely under normal field use.

Tests of Sharpness



Shaving is a quick, easy indicator of sharpness. The cleaner and closer the shave, the sharper the knife. Most factory and custom knives do not exhibit this sharpness when first used. All Cold Steel® knives will shave right out of the box!



Cutting wood cleanly and leaving a polished cut surface indicates superior sharpness. Retaining a fine edge while repeatedly cutting pine (wood) indicates superior fine edge retention. We maximize this potential in our knives.

Steel & Heat Treatment

AUS 8A

The words "stainless steel" are misleading, because, in fact all steel will stain or show discoloration if left in adverse conditions for a sufficient time. Steel is made "stainless" by adding Chromium and reducing its Carbon content during the smelting process. There is a serious performance trade-off with stainless steel: As the Chrome increases and the Carbon decreases, the steel becomes more "stainless". But it also becomes more and more difficult to sharpen, and the edge-holding potential is seriously impaired. This is usually why most stainless knives are rarely razor-sharp and quickly lose the little edge they have. In contrast, at Cold Steel® we use AUS 8A, a high carbon, low chromium steel that has proven, over the last 15 years, to be the ultimate compromise between toughness, strength, edge holding and resistance to corrosion.

San Mai III®

An expensive, traditional style Japanese laminate. Hard, high carbon stainless forms the core and edge of the blade, while two layers of tough, spring tempered stainless support and strengthen it. The resulting blade possesses the best qualities of both types of steel.

This laminate is 25% stronger than the incredibly tough AUS 8A stainless in the original Tanto. The tell-tale sign of genuine San Mai III® is a thin line near the edge that runs the entire length of the blade. This line is created in the grinding process as the layers of steel in the blade are exposed. The distance the line is from the edge varies from knife to knife because every piece of San Mai III® steel is unique.

Like our AUS 8A stainless, San Mai III® is treated in modern, precise conveyor furnaces and subjected to a sub zero post hardening process. This improves the microstructure of the steel by eliminating retained austenite. The resulting blades are more elastic and have better edge holding characteristics than standard stainless steels.

Carbon V®

An exclusive carbon alloy steel, formulated and extensively treated to achieve exceptional properties. Carbon V® was developed and refined by using both metallurgical and performance testing. Blades were subjected to the "Cold Steel® Challenge" as a practical test, and then they were sectioned, so that their microstructure could be examined. In this way we arrived at the optimum steel AND the optimum heat treatment sequence to bring out the best in the steel. We buy large quantities of premium high carbon cutlery steel with small amounts of elemental alloys added in the smelting stage. These elements enhance the blade's performance in edge holding and elasticity. The steel is then rolled to our exact specifications to establish optimum grain refinement and blades are blanked to take full advantage of the grain direction in the steel.

The blanks are heated in molten salt, quenched in premium oil and tempered in controlled ovens. Then they are ground. The new blades are then subjected to expert heat treatment, involving rigidly controlled austenizing temperatures, precisely defined soak times, proper selection of quenching medium and carefully monitored tempering times and temperatures. This heat treatment sequence results in blades which duplicate and often exceed the properties of the most expensive custom forgings.

Premium U.S. High Carbon

Cold Steel's® Premium Carbon Steel is used in a variety of our low cost highly functional knives. Chemical content and microstructure from the mill is specified by Cold Steel® and each lot is subjected to the same metallurgical examination before being used in production as our world famous Carbon V®.

The Steel is a very clean, fine grained material with a high carbon content for toughness and response to heat treatment. Cold Steel® has designed a special heat treatment for this material which maximizes toughness in combination with more than acceptable edge holding ability, resulting in a blade which will satisfy even the most discriminating user.

Warranty

We stand behind our knives 100%. We subject them to the highest standards in the industry and strive to make each one as perfect as possible. Right now our return rate for defects is one half of one percent! This is remarkably lower than the industry standard. While we are growing in popularity, and producing ever larger quantities of knives, we are determined never to forget that we live or die by one word, QUALITY.

Our fixed blade sheath knives have a 5 year warranty to the original owner against defects in

materials or workmanship. And our folding knives are warranted for one year. If you ever have a warranty problem with one of our knives, please return it with your original receipt and a short note and we will be happy to evaluate the problem and resolve it. (NOTE: Do not send your knife back by way of the U.S. Post Office. We recommend you send it U.P.S. insured.)

Please remember any knife can be broken or damaged if subjected to sufficient abuse and that all knives eventually wear out (just like your boots) and must be replaced. Most of the tests shown (above left) are dangerous and they should not be duplicated. These destructive tests constitute gross abuse of a knife. Duplicating them will void your warranty.

Safe Keepers™



The push knife was first made popular in the U.S. during the 1849 Gold Rush in California. The reason for the success of this knife was a combination of compact size, deadly efficiency and unparalleled grip.

Now Cold Steel® is happy to present the finest production push knives in almost 150 years, featuring unique non-slip Kraton® handles, which mold comfortably to the fist for a grip that's almost impossible to dislodge.

These knives are tremendously popular with military personnel around the world because unlike a revolver or automatic pistol, they never break, malfunction or run out of ammunition. What's more, they offer "big knife" cutting and piercing potential in a compact package (2" shorter overall than most boot knives) that can be easily attached to tactical web gear, tucked in a waistband or boot top or strapped to a wrist or ankle.

Safe Keeper I™

Designed for the turn of the century, the Safe Keeper I™ is the ultimate push knife. Its 5" long blade is extra-wide (almost 1 1/2") and unlike other boot knives, is ground thin enough at the edge to be breathtakingly sharp. Just the look of this knife with its wicked blade jutting out from the fist is enough to deter most aggressors. Plus, if action is necessary, the Safe

Keeper's™ shock absorbing, "T" shaped handle provides devastating "punching" blows yet is so secure in one's closed fist that it is practically impossible for even a novice to be disarmed.

Safe Keeper II™

In many respects, the Safe Keeper II™ is almost a carbon copy of the Safe Keeper I™. It offers the same razor sharp AUS 8A stainless steel, heat treatment, and beautiful satin finish. Even the shape of the blade and handle are remarkably similar. The only real difference is that the length of the blade (3 3/4") and handle have been shortened to accommodate those who recognize the many tactical advantages of the push knife but prefer an even lower profile.

Specifications:

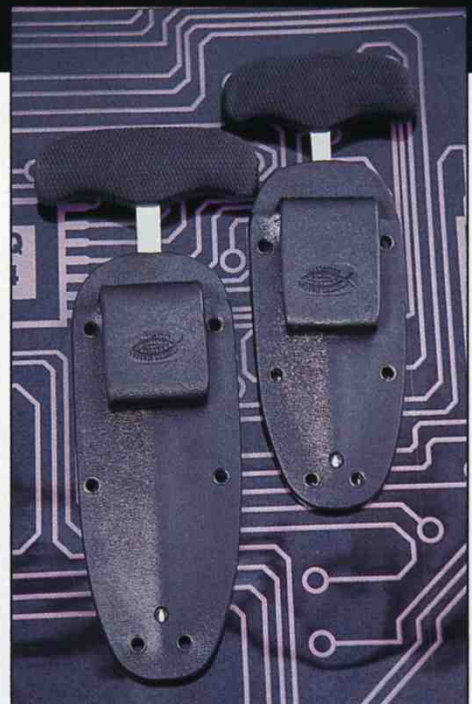
#12A Safe Keeper I™

Weight:	5.4oz.	Blade Length:	5"
Blade Thickness:	3/16"	Overall Length:	7 1/2"
Handle:	Kraton®	Steel:	AUS 8A Stainless Steel

Specifications:

#12B Safe Keeper II™

Weight:	4.1oz.	Blade Length:	3 3/4"
Blade Thickness:	3/16"	Overall Length:	6 1/2"
Handle:	Kraton®	Steel:	AUS 8A Stainless Steel



Every Safe Keeper™ is supplied with a Kydex boot/belt sheath which features a friction fit retention system to prevent loss and facilitate immediate access.

Vaquero™ Grande

(Shown here at actual size!)





Four hundred years ago Spanish settlers brought horses and cattle to Mexico where in the vast open range land they were set free to graze and reproduce. Soon there were huge herds and enormous ranches throughout northern Mexico and what is now the Western United States. To work these huge ranches, local Indians were taught to ride a horse and herd cattle. As the years passed these early herdsmen became known as the Vaqueros (from the Spanish word vaca or cow) and were renowned throughout the west for their peerless horsemanship and their tradition of self reliance and rugged individualism.

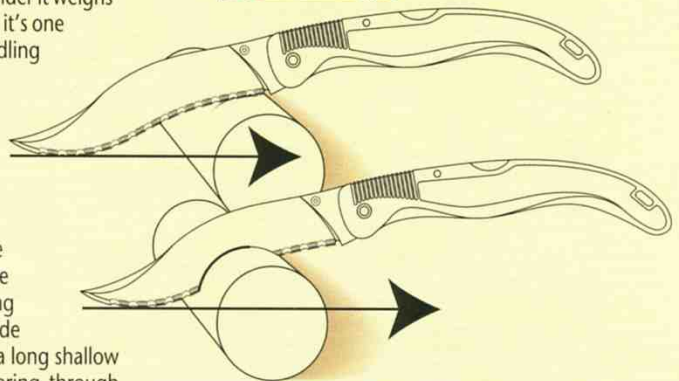
Now Lynn C. Thompson has designed a unique, new folding knife that embodies all of the characteristics and rich cultural heritage of America's original cowboys and named it the Vaquero™ in their honor. Please take a moment and look at all it has to offer.

BIG

The overall length of the Vaquero™ Grande is slightly more than 13 inches making it the largest high quality folder on the market. Its awesome 1/8th inch thick, AUS 8A stainless blade measures a whopping 6 inches long by 1 3/8" wide. The Zytel® handle of the Vaquero™ is also very generously sized at 7 1/4 inches by 5/8 of an inch thick. But don't let these dimensions fool you. There is nothing clumsy or awkward about this knife. Instead, every effort has been made to make it as sleek and fast as possible. And when you consider it weighs a mere 6 ounces, we're sure you'll agree it's one of the best balanced and sweetest handling knives available.

BAD

The Vaquero's™ unique "Nogales"™ Clip Point blade is without a doubt one of the most wickedly efficient designs on the market. The key to its unheard of cutting ability is two fold. First its extra wide blade has been precision flat ground to form a long shallow "V" cross section that is ideal for shearing through thick, tough fibrous material like manila rope, cable hose, etc. Second, its razor sharp serrated edge forms a sinuous double curve. This means whenever the target is struck with the inward curving portion of the edge (nearest the hand) a strong drawing motion will automatically force the remaining outward curved edge entirely through the target (see drawing above).



BEAUTIFUL

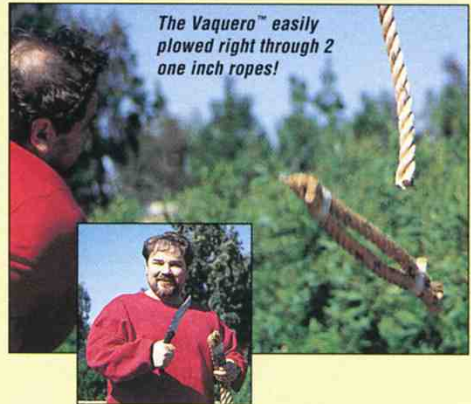
Words are just not enough to describe the wonderful curves and great lines of the Vaquero™. In fact, we think the only way you'll appreciate its keen flashing blade and gracefully sculpted handle is when you cradle it in your hand.

One Handed Opening!

(For Left or Right Hand)



Like the Voyager® Series Lockbacks, the Vaquero™ features a thumb stud for easy one handed opening action.



The Vaquero™ easily plowed right through 2 one inch ropes!



The Vaquero™ Grande comes complete with this sturdy Cordura belt sheath.

Specifications:
#21GNS Vaquero™ Grande
 Weight: 6.2 oz.
 Blade Length: 6"
 Blade Thickness: 3.5mm
 Handle Length: 7 1/4"
 Overall Length: 13 1/4"
 Handle: Zytel®
 Sheath: Kydex
 Steel: AUS 8A Stainless Steel

The Vaquero™ is very portable and will fit easily into most pockets.



Voyager® Lockbacks

Due to their light weight and convenience, Zytel® handled lockbacks have gained enormous popularity at the expense of heavier, traditional lockbacks with their metal bolsters and wooden scale handles. Our Voyager® Series is the new generation of these ultra-light knives and are sure to be the standard by which others are judged for years to come!

The Voyager® Series are made from the same premium stainless steel that goes into our famous Tanto. They feature precision milled and hand fitted parts with extra stiff springs. This provides a lock that is safer and stronger than most traditional folders. The blades are extremely wide and ground thin at the edge for tremendous shearing potential. This thin edge allows us to hone the blade to astounding sharpness. Plus, the cutting surface is continuously curved along its entire length for the most efficient possible slicing action. And because of the high carbon content in the stainless steel, you'll find that the sharpness really lasts.

If you like serrations, you'll really appreciate our exclusive pattern. It offers the aggressive ripping action of serrated teeth, but with a twist. Our design features groups of very small teeth separated by wide, shallow arcs. This results in the benefits of both a plain and a serrated edge, so that the knife still cuts smoothly through almost any material.

The Voyager® Series offers all the advantages of the latest in lockback construction technology including lightening-quick, one-handed opening, light weight and strength, yet without the necessity for unsightly humps or holes in the blade. The result is a more appealing traditional look with very modern styling. Every detail has been designed for maximum performance from the reinforced pivot pin, and the integral clip, to the grooved thumb shelf on the back of the knife for extra traction. Plus, the handle offers a superbly comfortable non-slip grip and it houses the blade in a sleek, super-light package that can be carried all day without effort.

As tools, these lightweight, super sharp knives are appropriate in almost any environment from hunting and camping, to hiking and general utility chores. They can also readily fill specialty functions such as a boat or river knife, a chute knife or demanding police/survival/rescue applications.

From Our Mailbox...

"Sharpest Knife at the SHOT Show"

I am writing this letter to inform you of an experience with my Voyager knife at the 1995 SHOT Show.

I went to the Damascus Glove booth to see the Slashguard Gloves. They demonstrated this new product that was designed to protect the hand from slash wounds. They demonstrated with their own knife and I asked how it worked with a good sharp knife. They said it worked with any knife. I pulled out my Cold Steel Voyager with a serrated blade and said, "Let's see". He tried it out and the Cold Steel cut through the glove. Luckily he had another layer on below. At this point, we had the attention of the booth. They tried again with a brand new liner. Again my Cold Steel went through. They stated this was the sharpest knife they had seen at the SHOT Show.

I must say that we tried several other knives on this glove liner and the liners held up quite well. This shows that Damascus has a very good product, but Cold Steel has an exceptional product. I work for a large metro police department, my partner and I carry Cold Steel Voyager Knives every day. Thank you for making a quality, professional product.

— R. Wyatt, Aurora, CO



3 Level Lockback Display/Stand

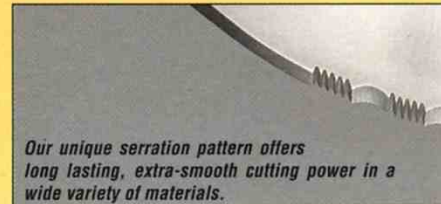
Display your Voyagers® with this distinctive stand. The Stand is painted black and features a brass plaque with the Cold Steel® Logo.

#D17B Lockback Stand

Voyager® Features



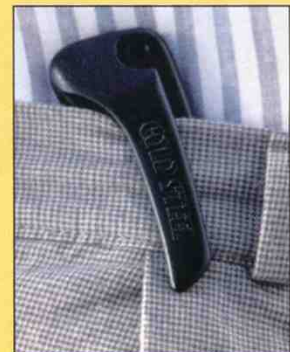
The Voyager® offers excellent traction for a really secure grip when doing close work. Plus, a lanyard hole for added security in marine environments etc.



Our unique serration pattern offers long lasting, extra-smooth cutting power in a wide variety of materials.



You'll be amazed at the lightness of this knife. Just slip it in your pocket or waistband and you'll forget it's even there until you need it. Then you'll be amazed once again at the strength and cutting potential it gives you!



Our Zytel® integral clip is licensed from Spyderco, Inc. We have made it as strong and tough as possible. However ALL plastic clips are relatively fragile and will break if treated roughly or snagged on a foreign object.

To minimize the possibility of breaking your clip, always attach your Voyager® as shown (left).



What do you need this big 5 inch Voyager® for...?

This is a question you are bound to hear from people who don't realize the blade that came on their Swiss Army® Knife or Leatherman® Tool is too short to make the single, life saving cut required in some emergencies. For example, last summer Lynn Thompson was attending a local horse show. During the program a nearby

horse fell down and became tangled in its lead rope. Panic set in as the terrified animal thrashed and kicked trying to free itself. Immediately bystanders began to shout "get a knife!" That's when Lynn stepped in between flailing hooves and severed the one inch thick rope with a single swipe of his big Voyager.™

The Complete Voyager® Series

Extra Large Voyagers®— 5 Inch Blades

#34XC Extra Large
Clip Point

#34XCS Extra Large
Clip Point Serrated



The Voyagers® open effortlessly with just one hand, so they're ideal when you're working "short handed." The thumb stud is reversible for left handed operation.



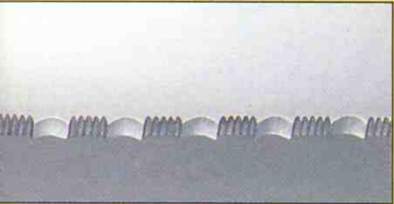
Large Voyagers® 4 Inch Blades

#34LC Large
Clip Point

#34LCS Large Clip
Point Serrated

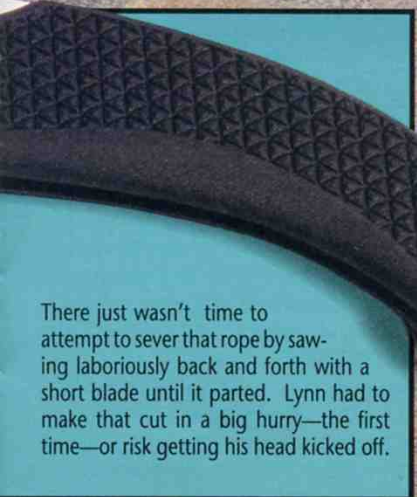
#34LT Large
Tanto Point

#34LTS Large
Tanto Point
Serrated



In the sequence above, you see a 3.3 ounce Serrated Clip Point Voyager® powering all the way through a 1" thick, free hanging manila hemp rope in a single stroke. We know of many expensive, custom knives that weigh five times as much, yet can't duplicate this feat!

The 5" Voyager® is shown here at actual size



There just wasn't time to attempt to sever that rope by sawing laboriously back and forth with a short blade until it parted. Lynn had to make that cut in a big hurry—the first time—or risk getting his head kicked off.



Medium Voyagers® 3 Inch Blades

#34MC Medium
Clip Point

#34MCS Medium
Clip Point Serrated

#34MT Medium
Tanto Point

#34MTS Medium
Tanto Point Serrated



Specifications:	X Large	Large	Large	Medium	Medium
Blade Style:	Clip	Clip	Tanto	Clip	Tanto
Blade Length:	5"	4"	4"	3"	3"
Handle Length:	6"	5 1/8"	5 1/8"	3 7/8"	3 7/8"
Length Open:	11"	9 1/8"	9 1/8"	6 1/8"	6 1/8"
Blade (thick):	1/8"	1/8"	1/8"	1/16"	1/16"
Weight:	4.8oz.	3.3 oz.	3.3 oz.	1.6oz.	1.6oz.

Tai Pan



Knife Stand
Display your Tai Pan with this distinctive stand. The Stand is painted black and features a brass plaque with the Cold Steel® Logo.
#D17A Single Level Knife Stand

Specifications:
#13D Tai Pan
Blade Length: 7 1/2" Overall Length: 13"
Weight: 10.8oz Steel: AUS 8A Stainless



The Tai Pan comes complete with a high quality black leather sheath.

Like its serpent namesake, the Tai Pan is aggressively fast and deadly. Designed by Lynn C. Thompson in the distinctive "Tanto" style, the Tai Pan embodies all the best features of a classic dagger while minimizing its shortcomings. Just take a look at all it has to offer:

Steel: The Tai Pan utilizes the same AUS 8A stainless steel that is found in our super tough Tanto Series.

Spear Point Blade: Most daggers are notorious for having thin, fragile points that are easily broken. In contrast, the Tai Pan features a sturdy spear point which is wide and thick enough to resist breaking without compromising its ability to offer deep, effortless penetration.

Razor-Sharp Twin Edges: The Tai Pan's razor sharp twin edges offer twice the potential cuts, slashes and locks of a single edged knife. When used with skill, the Tai Pan can cut a 180° arc up or down or from side to side with devastating effect.

Rugged Blade: The Tai Pan's wide, thick, full tang blade is strong enough to mount any slashing or stabbing attack. However, due to its double bevel construction, it is not suitable for prying.

Weight & Balance: The balance point of the Tai Pan is just behind the guard for a slightly "handle heavy" feel that is ideal for making insertions yet remains "lively" in the hand. At 10.8 ounces, the Tai Pan is light

enough to carry all day yet heavy enough to deliver devastating cuts and slashes.

Handle: Like its cousin, the Tanto, the Tai Pan features a tapered, black Kraton® handle with a unique flattened oval cross section. Over time, this material and handle shape have proven ideal at preventing the knife from shifting or turning in the hand even under the worst circumstances.

Guard & Pommel: Meticulously fashioned from 300 series stainless steel, the traditional style tsuba and bolster offer both added safety and beauty. The Tai Pan's butt terminates in a tapered, semi-pointed pommel to maximize the effect of even the slightest blow.



Specifications:
#17.1 Kobun™ (Plain Edge)
#17.1S Kobun™ (Serrated)
Weight: 4.5oz.
Blade Length: 5½"
Blade Thick: ⅛"
Handle Length: 4½"
Overall Length: 9¾"
Handle: Kraton®
Sheath: Kydex
Steel: AUS 8A Stainless Steel

Cold Steel® is proud to present the Kobun™, a new Tanto style boot knife. In Japan, the martial, or underworld meaning of this word is "soldier" and that's exactly what we have designed this knife to do; be a good soldier.

Please take a moment to review the Kobun's™ unique advantages and we're sure you'll agree it's just right for your next military mission, police raid or a "Big City" adventure.

Steel: The Kobun™ is made out of AUS 8A stainless steel. We have found, that when perfectly heat treated, this steel offers the best balance between strength, toughness and edge retention.

Finish: Since the Kobun™ was designed to be worn close to the body, we chose to give each stainless blade a rich, satin polish to maximize its resistance to rust or and other disfiguring stains.

Blade: The shape and length of the Kobun's™ blade is identical to our original Tanto, so it shares most of its design features. Only

the blade thickness has been reduced (to ⅛") in keeping this its mission, as a light weight boot knife.

Reinforced Point: Most boot knives are notorious for their paper thin points which are easily blunted, bent or broken. In contrast, the Kobun's™ acute, razor sharp point is highly resistant to bending or breaking because it is reinforced by the full thickness of the blade's spine which runs almost to the very tip.

Sharpness: Our problem with most boot knives is they are ground too thick at the edge to deliver anything more than a superficial cut. To avoid this major shortcoming, we have chosen to give the Kobun™ a high, deep hollow grind that terminates in an extra thin edge. This edge is then honed and buffed by hand until it's so sharp it will slice through any soft target like a hot knife through butter!

Weight: The Kobun™ tips the scales at a mere 4 ounces, which makes it the lightest full tang, full size boot knife we know about!

Balance: The balance point of our feather-light Kobun™ lies just behind the guard (just like our original Tanto) making it ideal for delivering lightening quick thrusts or slashes.

Handle: The Kobun's™ 4½" long handle was designed to offer minimum bulk with maximum grip, so it could be deeply concealed on one's person, yet easily drawn and confidently wielded.

To accomplish this, its cross section was made as thin as possible (approximately one half inch thick), then deeply contoured to resist turning or shifting in the hand. To further insure a non-slip grip, deeply checkered Kraton® was used in its surface construction.

Kraton® is a synthetic rubber-like compound first pioneered by Cold Steel® for knife handles because it feels slightly tacky (adheres to the hand) and absorbs shock well, yet is immune to nature and the elements.

The photo (right) illustrates the Kobun's™ extra thin profile.



Every Kobun comes with a sturdy, quick draw Kydex sheath, complete with boot/belt clip.



Tantos



MINI TANTO

TANTO

MAGNUM TANTO II (San Mai)

MASTER TANTO (San Mai)



**#D17C
Three
Level
Stand**

Specifications:

#13ASG Mini Tanto:			
Blade: 4 1/4"	Blade: 3/32 (4mm) (Thick)	Overall: 8 3/8"	
Handle: 4 1/8"	Handle: Kraton®	Weight: 4.1 oz.	
Steel: AUS 8A Stainless			
#13AN Tanto:			
Blade: 6"	Blade: 3/16" (Thick)	Overall: 11 1/2"	
Handle: 5 1/8"	Handle: Kraton®	Weight: 9.5 oz.	
Steel: AUS 8A Stainless			
Guard & Pommel are 300 Series Stainless			
#13MBII Magnum Tanto II (in San Mai III® Steel):			
Blade: 7 1/2"	Blade: 3/16" (Thick)	Overall: 13 1/8"	
Handle: 5 3/8"	Handle: Kraton®	Weight: 11.4 oz.	
#13BN Master Tanto (in San Mai III® Steel):			
Blade: 6"	Blade: 3/16" (Thick)	Overall: 11 1/2"	
Handle: 5 1/2"	Handle: Kraton®	Weight: 9.5 oz.	
Guard & Pommel are 300 Series Stainless			



The Tantos come with high quality black leather sheaths.

Tanto Features

The Cold Steel® Tanto Series

When it comes to cutting, slashing or piercing, the Cold Steel® Tantos can't be beat. There is no factory or custom knife that can begin to approach their legendary toughness and here you can see why, after 15 years, no one has challenged this claim.

The knives in the Tanto Series all feature a deep lustrous satin finish which is used on the hollow ground blade bevels and a line grain finish which is applied to the flat spine. These two finishes act to highlight our state of the art grinding technique and help to emphasize the Tanto's unique appearance.

The Mini Tanto

Complete with all stainless steel fittings, including a traditional oval guard (tsuba), the Mini Tanto is scaled down to the smallest practical size. The result; a perfect boot/belt knife. Minimal weight and size combine with maximum sharpness, cutting power and point strength to outperform much larger knives.

The Tanto

The Tanto features a stainless steel guard and pommel for easier maintenance, plus a full 6" long blade, and a restyled guard for increased finger protection.

The Magnum Tanto II in San Mai III®

Just two ounces heavier than the Tanto, the Magnum Tanto II provides a full 30% increase in cutting power. Combine that with the visual impact of a tsuba-style (sword) guard and you have perhaps the ideal Tanto. The Magnum Tanto II features a blade made from San Mai III®.

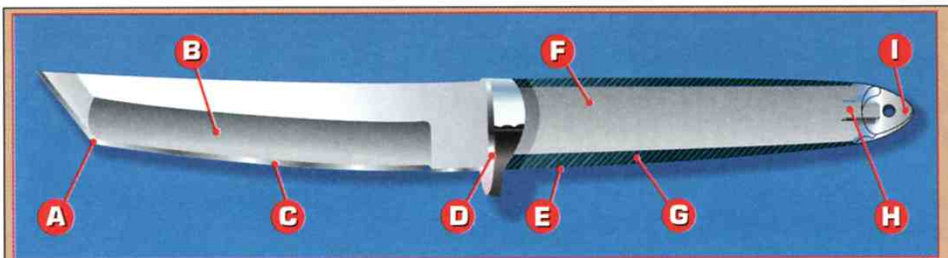
The Master Tanto in San Mai III®

The Master Tanto shares all of the features of the regular Tanto, except that it has a blade made from San Mai III®.

What is San Mai III®?

"San Mai" means "three layers", it is the term given to the traditional laminated blades used by the Japanese for swords and daggers. Laminated construction is important because it allows different grades of steel to be combined in a single blade. A simple way to think of this type of construction is to imagine a sandwich: The meat center is hard, high carbon steel and the pieces of bread on either side are the lower-carbon, tough side panels. The edge of the blade should be hard to maximize edge holding ability, but if the entire blade was hard it could be damaged during the rigors of battle. For ultimate toughness, the body of the blade must be able to withstand impact and lateral stresses. Toughness is generally associated with flexibility in steel, so that surprisingly, if an entire blade was made "tough" the edge would not be hard enough to offer superior edge holding. San Mai III® provides a superior blade with hard (higher carbon) steel in the middle for a keen, long lasting edge and tough (lower carbon) steel on the sides for flexibility.

If you look closely at the picture below you will be able to see a fine line about 3/16" from the edge of the blade. This is the San Mai III® lamination line. It marks the junction between two types of steel. This laminate is over 25% stronger than the incredibly tough AUS 8A stainless in the Tanto.



A Secondary Point:

The secondary edge, sweeping up to the tip of the blade, allows effective slashing at full arm extension. Plus, where it joins the primary edge, it forms a secondary point that simultaneously cuts and pierces on impact.

B Hollow Grind:

Deep hollow grind provides a surgically sharp edge despite the massive blade spine. It also creates a distinctive contrast with the line grain finish on the blade's flat surfaces.

C Perfect Curve/Razor Sharp:

Perfect 23° curve for maximum cutting efficiency, and hand honed and buffed to razor sharpness.

D Guard:

Stainless steel guard, with a new shape for added finger protection.

E Unique Handle:

Ergonomically designed, the handle is deeply checkered and oval, so it's very comfortable and won't roll or twist in the hand.

F Full Tang Construction:

The Tanto Series features full tang construction. This means the massive blade extends through the interior of the handle to the pommel for maximum strength.

Non-Slip Grip:

G Kraton® is a space-age rubber compound, first used in the knife industry by Cold Steel.® It offers an unparalleled non-slip grip that is slightly yielding to the touch for comfort yet it won't warp, rot, crack or mildew.

H Pommel Stud:

A threaded stud is permanently welded to a notch in the tang. Its special alloy steel is able to absorb the tremendous forces generated by blows struck with the pommel.



I Pommel:

Tapered, semi-pointed shape of the polished stainless steel provides maximum force at the point of impact.



Edge Holding Ability:

This is the manila hemp rope we use for cutting tests with our large fixed blade knives. It is 1 1/4" in diameter and extremely tough. The abrasive nature of the hemp fibers also offer an excellent test of edge holding ability. In the sequence below Lynn C. Thompson severs the rope in a single stroke.



Reinforced Point:

This is the strongest point design available. As you can see, the blade spine retains its full thickness almost to the tip. Yet the point offers dagger-like potential, combined with a leading edge that shears as it penetrates.



Even the tough curved surface of a 55 gallon steel drum is no match for the Tanto's reinforced point!

From our Mailbox...

"...the majority of firemen who admire my knife think paying over one hundred dollars for a knife is crazy. But they always come to me for use of my Tanto."

I am a full-time paid firefighter and an avid knife collector. I have been carrying one of your standard Tantos for over five years now and would like to comment on what I think of your product after extended and sometimes severe use.

I carry my Tanto in a Kydex sheath in the right hand pocket of my bunker coat. I have literally cut my way into and out of fires in all sorts of structures to include metal, wood, sheet rock and lathe and plaster. This knife I carry is very tough and gives me great confidence in my ability to get into or out of the structures I come across. Two days ago I literally dismantled a car seat and dash which were on fire. I've converted a couple of my buddies who

now also carry Tantos but the majority of firemen who admire my knife think paying over one hundred dollars for a knife is crazy. But they always come to me for use of my Tanto. I also enjoy giving demonstrations of the power of the reverse hold by jamming my Tanto through the fenders of the cars we train on with the Jaws of Life. My Tanto went through the last car 37 times with no damage what so ever. Everyone always does the same thing. They look at the tip to see what damage has been done."

"Thank you for taking the time to read my letter. (I'm) someone whose life depends on your product every day I go to work."

— Randall Scott Key, Hutchinson, Kansas

The R1 Military Classic

This design first appeared in 1942 and was quickly adopted by troops in WWII who were looking for a quality, dependable knife. It soon became legendary as a first class all-round combat weapon. Since WWII it has seen action in every major conflict, including Korea, Vietnam, Central America and the Persian Gulf.

Now you can own an exact replica of this original classic for less than half the price! But make no mistake, our R1 Military Classic is not just a showpiece. It's a high performance combat weapon. Each one is made to Cold Steel quality standards for a knife that you can bet your life on!

The blade is crafted from the finest premium stainless over $\frac{3}{16}$ " thick. It's the same steel found in our famous Tanto Series.

Each one is flawlessly ground, hand fitted, polished and then honed until it will cut at the slightest touch.

For strength and beauty the double guard has been meticulously fashioned from a single piece of highly rust resistant 300 Series stainless steel (instead of brass or nickel silver that can tarnish). It sports an extremely fine buffed and polished surface that will defy the ravages of time and weather.

The handle is hand made from solid black linen micarta. This is extremely costly, but nothing else looks or lasts like micarta! Each one is contoured and shaped until perfect then permanently mated to the heavy blade tang with attractive colored fiber spacers. The final assembly is then buffed and polished to a fine luster.

The R1 comes complete with a heavy duty brown leather sheath complete with Fine India sharpening stone and pouch. This rugged sheath is built to offer years of faithful service and is designed to fit on virtually any belt including a GI pistol belt.

If you've ever wanted one of these beautiful classics, but couldn't deal with prices approaching \$300 and sometimes long delays for delivery, this is your lucky day! Because our R1 is in stock and ready to ship for an incredible affordable price! But don't delay, the first production run is fairly limited so they may not last long. Call in your order today!



Specifications:
#14R1 Military Classic w/ Premium Sheath
#SL14R1 Sheath Only (with stone)
Length: 7" Overall Length: 11 $\frac{5}{8}$ "
Thickness: $\frac{3}{16}$ " Weight: 9.25 oz.
AUS 8A Stainless Steel Blade, 300 Series Stainless Guard
Black Linen Micarta Handle
Sheath is heavy, oil tanned leather with Stone pouch.
Stone is Norton Fine India.

The Black Bear Classic

This classic sub-hilt design fighter was first developed by Bob Loveless, one of the founding members of the knifemaker's guild. It is perhaps the quintessential combat knife. Its 8" blade offers excellent reach and incredible penetration with very little physical effort. And the sub hilt practically eliminates the possibility of the hand being dislodged or coming into contact with the blade. Plus, as an added bonus, the sub hilt facilitates rapid and effortless withdrawal after insertion.

Versions of this design are offered by hundreds of custom knife makers at prices ranging from \$450 to several thousand dollars.

At Cold Steel, we thought it was about time to offer premium sub-hilt performance at a more down to earth price, so we designed the Black Bear Classic. As with the R1 Military Classic, we export the micarta from the USA and the premium steel from Japan. We then follow the production process all the way from raw materials to the finished knives. As you can see, the results are spectacular. These knives have all the features you would normally expect in a custom knife, but at less than half the cost!

We use the same high carbon stainless that is found in our famous Tanto series. The blades are perfectly heat treated and a double edge grind is expertly applied. Then the surface of the blade is brushed to a handsome satin finish. And finally, the twin edges are honed and buffed to hair shaving sharpness.

The black linen micarta handle scales are pinned to the blade tang and expertly hand shaped. Then the whole assembly is buffed to a lustrous shine.

This knife is truly eye-catching. It is one that will impress and also one that you can rely on since the quality is backed by Cold Steel.

The Black Bear comes complete with a rugged black leather sheath which includes a Norton Fine India sharpening stone and pouch. For improved comfort it is equipped with an adjustable swivel belt loop and for security, features two retaining straps with military spec snaps.

Specifications:

#14BBC Black Bear Classic
#14BBCUT Black Bear with Unsharpened Top Edge
#SL14BBC Sheath Only

Blade Length: 8 1/4" Overall Length: 13 1/2"
Thickness: 3/16" Weight: 12.7 oz.
AUS 8A Stainless Steel Blade, 300 Series
Stainless Guard, Black Linen Micarta Handle. Sheath is black leather with stone pouch. Stone is Norton Fine India.



The Carbon V® Trail Master® & Recon Scout™



Specifications: # 16C Trail Master®			
Blade Length: 9 1/2"	Overall Length: 14 1/2"		
Blade (thick): 5/16"	Steel: Carbon V®		
Guard: Virgin Brass	Handle: Kraton®		
Weight: 16.7 oz	Sheath: Cordura		

Why buy a Trail Master®? That's simple. Because it is without a doubt **the most knife** for the money ever commercially built! In terms of sharpness, edge holding and strength, it will out perform — by a wide margin — any factory made knife we know of and 99% of all hand forged knives as well!

We know we're "going out on a limb" with that statement, but since 1987 we have challenged the industry to make a better knife and yet, to this day, we've had no takers. So before you spend \$200 or more on one of our competitor's inferior knives, take a moment to review all the advantages offered by the Cold Steel® Trail Master®.

Steel

It takes almost 3 lbs. of our famous Carbon V® steel to make just one Trail Master®! This exclusive steel is especially smelted right here in the USA, then hot rolled at exact temperatures until a fine and uniform grain structure is achieved (see page 2 for more information about Carbon V® Steel).

Heat Treatment

No expense is spared as every blade is heated to critical temperature then quenched in agitated oil. To ensure maximum strength, the blades are then triple drawn (tempered) to eliminate any unrelieved stresses which could undermine performance.

Almost Unbreakable Point

The Trail Master's® broad clip point is extremely resis-

tant to bending or breaking. This is largely due to the fact that the tip is actually thicker near the point than other knives. However, this does not mean the point is dull or blunt. On the contrary, the point is almost needle sharp and offers tremendous penetration.

False Edge

The blade-back is equipped with a slightly concave false edge that measures approximately 3 1/2" long.

Curved Flat Ground Blade

The Trail Master's® blade is flat ground for shearing power and the edge has a slight curve along its entire length. This curve allows the blade to be used in a draw

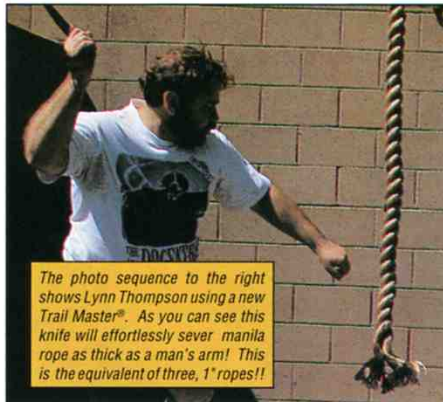
cut as well as a chopping stroke. Plus the extra curve near the tip provides plenty of "belly" for skinning and facilitates long range cutting and slashing.

Razor Sharp

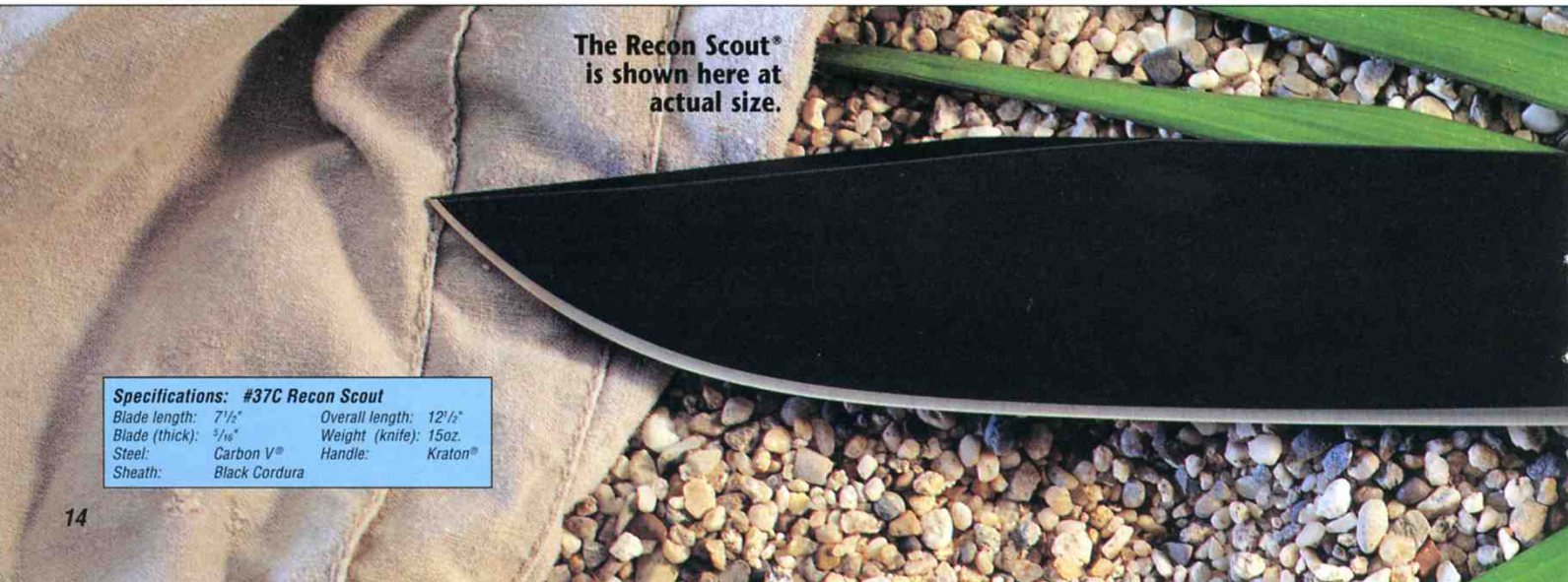
Every Trail Master's® edge has been honed by hand then given a high speed buff until it is truly razor sharp and capable of easily shaving hair. Warning—this knife will cut at the slightest touch!

Weight

At 16.7 ounces the Trail Master's® substantial weight increases the momentum of each stroke and reduces arm fatigue.



The photo sequence to the right shows Lynn Thompson using a new Trail Master®. As you can see this knife will effortlessly sever manila rope as thick as a man's arm! This is the equivalent of three, 1" ropes!!



The Recon Scout® is shown here at actual size.

Specifications: #37C Recon Scout			
Blade length: 7 1/2"	Overall length: 12 1/2"		
Blade (thick): 5/16"	Weight (knife): 15oz.		
Steel: Carbon V®	Handle: Kraton®		
Sheath: Black Cordura			

The Trail Master® is shown here at actual size.



Balance

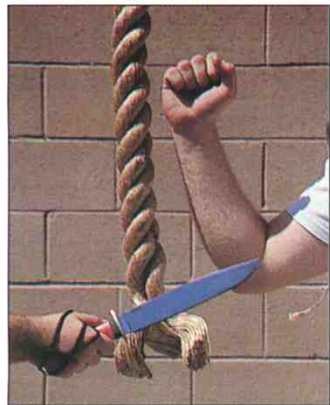
The Trail Master® balances approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ " in front of the guard for a slightly blade-heavy feel that is ideal for delivering heavy chopping and slashing strokes.

Handle

The Trail Master's® Kraton® handle is 5" long and deeply checkered for a non-slip, shock absorbing grip. What's more, its contoured cross section helps prevent the knife from shifting or turning in the hand.

Guard

The double guard is satin polished and rigidly fixed into place. It is long enough to keep fingers off the blade, yet short enough to avoid being tangled in clothing or equipment when the Trail Master® is drawn.



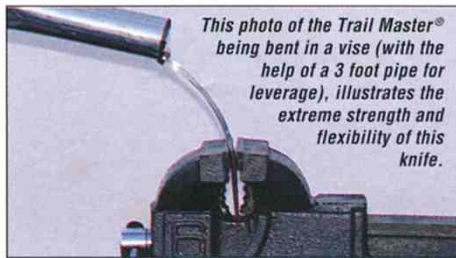
Finish

Each Trail Master® blade has a rich, satin polished finish.

Maintenance

To minimize or eliminate staining or rusting, treat your Trail Master® like you would your favorite rifle. Clean the blade with soap and water, then dry it carefully and coat it liberally with oil.

The Trail Master® and the Recon Scout™ both come complete with top quality Cordura sheaths.



This photo of the Trail Master® being bent in a vise (with the help of a 3 foot pipe for leverage), illustrates the extreme strength and flexibility of this knife.



The Recon Scout™

In almost every respect, the Recon Scout™ is simply a 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Trail Master® Bowie. It offers the same steel, heat treatment, blade thickness, and blade shape and handle. Only the satin polish has been changed, in favor of a rich, baked-on black epoxy finish. This helps to control rust, minimize light reflection under combat conditions and deliver years of rugged service!

We believe the Recon Scout™ is the strongest, toughest, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ " combat knife in the world. And when you compare it to the competition, we think you'll agree the Recon Scout™ is the greatest bargain in combat knife history!

This great sequence (below) clearly shows Lynn Thompson using the Recon Scout™ to sever a free-hanging, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " manila hemp rope in a single stroke. The razor sharp edge and overall weight of the Recon Scout™ make this feat effortless.

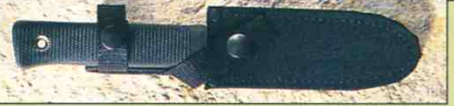


World Class Hunting Knives

Master Hunter



The Master Hunter comes complete with a high quality, black Cordura sheath.



This terrific hunting knife is made right here in the USA from Carbon V® steel.

Its thick, broad blade has been flat ground extra thin with a distinct distal taper for unprecedented cutting ability, edge retention and ease of re-sharpening. The extra keen edge cuts like a straight razor and the dropped point simplifies the task of field dressing and skinning. Plus, the comfortable, well designed grip encourages long use without fatigue. This is the new

standard for an American-made hunting knife.

The Master Hunter has been extensively field tested in Africa, Australia, Alaska and Colorado on over 50 species of big game. It has won the praise of some of the world's finest hunters including Ross Seyfried of Guns and Ammo.

The Master Hunter is also available in our premium AUS 8A Stainless steel for easier maintenance after use.

Specifications:

#36C Master Hunter in Carbon V® Steel

#36JS Master Hunter in AUS 8A Stainless Steel

Blade:	4½"	Blade (thick):	⅜"
Weight:	6.4oz	Handle:	Kraton®
Steel:	Available in Carbon V® or 8A Stainless Steel		

Stag Trail Master® A Cold Steel® Classic



Cold Steel® is proud to once again bring you our famous Trail Master® in exclusive Carbon V® Steel and gorgeous Sanbar Stag.

Sanbar, as you may know, is a large stag found primarily in India. Full grown, it can weigh well over 500lbs. The antlers of this beautiful animal have been prized for centuries for use in the finest knife handles. This is not just because of their beautiful shape and color, but their interior construction as well. You see, common deer and elk antlers are to one degree or another spongy on the inside. Sanbar antler, however, is extremely firm and hard on the inside. This very much simplifies the process of fitting the stag round to the blade "tang".

Sanbar stag is also very functional as a handle material. Its surface consists of prominent ridges which offer tremendous traction in the hand. Plus, with a little care

it will easily resist the rigors of time and the elements without rotting or cracking. Over the years, it will become more polished and personal with every use.

Over the last few years it has become increasingly difficult to obtain adequate supplies of perfect Sanbar stag "rounds". So much so that we were forced to withdraw this popular knife from our catalog.

However, Cold Steel® now has succeeded in locating a limited number of these valuable hand picked stag rounds. Just enough to warrant a new production run of beautiful Stag Trail Masters®. All these knives share the design and performance features found in the blade of the original Trail Master®. The only change we made was to modify the tang of the blade. This is to accommodate the solid stag handle which is permanently secured to the steel and capped with a polished brass pommel.

If you are a frontiersman, muzzleloader, mountain man, historical re-enactor, six gunner, collector or just an outdoorsman, this is one knife you can carry and use with pride. But don't delay, act now. These exclusive knives are strictly limited in supply and may not be available again anytime soon.

Specifications:

#16S Stag Trail Master®

Blade (Length):	9½"	Overall Length:	14½"
Blade (Thick):	⅜"	Weight:	15oz.
Steel:	Carbon V®	Handle:	Sanbar Stag

The Stag Trail Master® comes complete with this sturdy brown leather sheath.



Bush Ranger



Whether you're going into battle or just for a jaunt in the outback for a couple of days, there is one piece of equipment you'll never want to be without and that's the Bush Ranger.

Designed by Lynn C. Thompson to fulfill the need for a rugged, light sheath knife that's large enough to be useful in a real emergency, yet small enough to wear on your belt every day. Weighing in at a mere 8.8 ounces, the Bush Ranger offers unprecedented performance for a knife its size.

The Blade:

The blade has been flat ground for maximum shearing power, and the razor sharp edge curves continuously from the choil to the very tip. This curve allows the blade to be used in a highly efficient draw cut as well as a chopping stroke. The extra curve at the tip provides plenty of "belly" for field dressing and skinning.

1850's Sheffield Point:

Unlike most clipped point knives made today, the Bush Ranger features a Sheffield point with an extra long false edge. This point style first appeared on Bowie knives made in Sheffield, England for the American market in the late 1850's. The advantage of this point is it is very sharp and acute for almost dagger-

like penetration, while being sturdy enough to resist bending or breaking in the field.

The Handle:

The Bush Ranger has been ergonomically designed to become a natural extension of your hand. The hilt of the Bush Ranger features a deeply contoured cross section which slows the forward momentum of the hand during insertion and resists the hand's backward movement (in response to centrifugal force) when chopping. For extra traction, the handle has been deeply checkered like a pistol grip and is made entirely out of Kraton®, a space age rubber that is slightly yielding to the touch.

The Sheath:

Every Bush Ranger comes complete with a black, extra thick Cordura® nylon sheath that will resist the wear and tear of even battlefield environments and won't crack or rot like leather. Furthermore, it is equipped with a leg tie down lanyard and double military spec solid brass retaining snaps to virtually eliminate accidental loss in the field.

The Bush Ranger is available in Carbon V® or in AUS 8A Stainless Steel. The Carbon V® version comes with a black epoxy powder coat that helps control rust and minimizes light reflection.

Specifications:

#37JS Bush Ranger in AUS 8A Stainless Steel

#37CF Bush Ranger in Carbon V® Steel

Blade Length: 7 1/2" Overall Length: 12 1/2"

Thickness: 3/16" Weight: 8.8 oz.



The Bush Ranger comes complete with this rugged black Cordura® Sheath.

Carbon V® Field Performance



The American Bando Association Rates the Cold Steel® Kukri #1

LTC Kukri

Specifications:

#35LTC LTC Kukri

Blade Length: 12" Overall Length: 17 1/4"
Blade (thick): 1/8" Weight (knife): 17 oz.
Steel: Carbon V®
Kraton® Handle Cordura Sheath



The LTC Kukri comes with this sturdy black leather sheath.

The Greek Kopis and the Roman Machaira were both possible inspirations for the Kukri. These ancient, forward curved blades could both deliver tremendous chopping cuts. And some scholars believe that it was the heavy Roman presence in India that began the Kukri tradition there.

Today the Kukri has been made famous throughout the world by Nepal's ferocious Gurkha mercenaries who have used it to strike terror into the hearts of Great Britain's enemies around the globe.

Now Cold Steel® is pleased to present our version of this historic knife. Please take a moment to read about its features.

Steel: It takes over 3 lbs of our famous Carbon V® Steel to make just one LTC Kukri. This exclusive steel is especially smelted right here in the U.S.A., and then hot rolled at exact temperatures until a fine and uniform grain structure is achieved.

Heat Treatment: Every LTC Kukri receives the same custom heat treatment as the Trail Master® to insure maximum strength, toughness and edge retention.

The Blade: The curve of our Kukri's blade is very important because no matter what part of the blade makes contact with a target, the edge is always presented at an angle. This in turn creates a shearing motion, so that the edge slices through the target as the weight of the blade drives it deeper. This combination results in extremely efficient cutting in almost any medium. It is actually this unique blade curvature that allows the LTC Kukri to out-cut machetes and swords twice its size!

Balance: The LTC's blade is much wider near the tip than the handle. This shifts the balance point of the knife forward to rest 3 1/2" in front of the handle. This blade-heavy weight distribution is vital for maximum cutting power and allows a substantial blow to be struck with minimal physical effort. Why? Because once the LTC's blade is swinging, inertia itself is often enough to complete the cut. Just think what you could do if you put all your weight and power behind a blow!

Weight: At 17 ounces, the LTC is no cream puff (a Trail Master® Bowie weighs 16.7 ounces) But it's no awkward heavyweight either, and offers several advantages over bigger, heavier knives and swords. These are speed and maneuverability. A lighter Kukri like the LTC can strike in the blink of an eye and change direction or angle of attack so fast it's just a blur of razor sharp steel.

Sharpness: Unlike the cheap, dull Indian government Kukri, the LTC won't take you two hours with a file and stone to get sharp. Why? It's already sharp; razor, hair shaving sharp. And with its thin cross section, it will chop, cut and slash like you won't believe. It will easily cut wood, brush or other soft objects. But please remember this is a knife not a chisel or a pry-bar. Nails, rocks, metal or bone may chip or sink its fine edge!

Handle: The LTC's handle is five inches long and ergonomically designed to form a superior shock absorbing grip. It shields the user's hand from the effect of hard chopping strokes. A lot of thought was devoted to the shape, which has been carefully contoured to prevent the hand from sliding forward

onto the blade or backward off the handle. The value of this is readily apparent when piercing with the point or chopping. For extra traction, the handle has been deeply checkered like a pistol grip and is made entirely of Kraton®. This space age rubber compound was first pioneered in the knife industry by Cold Steel® in the early 1980's. Unlike many other materials, it won't rot, warp, crack, or mildew. This durability, combined with its other excellent benefits makes Kraton®, in our opinion, the world's finest handle material.

Sheath: The LTC sheath is made of heavy black leather with a thick welt and nylon stitching and a hard plastic liner for extra safety. Each sheath comes with a leg tie down lanyard and a durable belt loop (3") that fits almost any belt. For safety, the LTC's sheath has a slotted back and tough retaining strap that makes it a breeze to quickly sheath and un-sheath the knife.



Here you can see the LTC cutting through TWO, 1 1/2" manila hemp ropes! An incredible feat, but the LTC does it effortlessly!

Recon Tanto

Over the last 14 years, Cold Steel® has established the Tanto as a superior combat blade. And the value of the Tanto style reinforced point is now without question. Our superb Japanese Tantos are still unsurpassed for fit and finish, but are quite expensive, and beyond the reach of many knife lovers. Now we've combined a 7" blade, classic Tanto styling, the strength of Carbon V® steel and a comfortable, western-style Kraton® handle in a very affordable package.

Backed by the strength of Carbon V® Steel the Recon Tanto is redefining the standard for combat knives. It is fast becoming the preferred fixed blade for SWAT teams and special military units.

But don't just take our word for it! Visit your local dealer. Feel the quality and test the razor sharp edge and you'll see why, as a professional, this is one knife you can't afford to be without!



The Recon Tanto comes complete with this sturdy, black Cordura sheath.

Specifications:

#13RT Recon Tanto	
Blade : 7" (Long)	Blade (Thick): 3/16"
Steel: Carbon V®	Weight: 9 oz.
Handle: 4 3/4"	Finish: Epoxy Powder Coat

The June 1993 issue of Shooting Industry magazine held a delightful surprise for Cold Steel®. It contained our award for the Recon Tanto, which was recognized as the 1993 Specialty Product of the Year.



Peace Keepers

Are you tired of looking at those expensive, double edged knives that are so dull out of the box that they won't cut butter? Are you sick of those Pakistani numbers that bend like a wet noodle? What about that well known American model that's so weak and brittle it can break if dropped in the sink? Well now you have an alternative. The Peace Keepers—our series of double edged knives that will pierce like a stiletto and cut like a straight razor. Just look at these features:

Steel: Available in world famous Carbon V® for maximum strength or Tanto tough AUS 8A stainless steel for lower maintenance.

Heat Treatment: Cold Steel's® exclusive custom heat treatment designed to coax out of each steel the utmost in strength, toughness, and edge retention.

Double Edged Point: Unlike most boot knives and

daggers, the Peace Keeper's spear point offers considerable resistance to bending or breaking and is well suited for long range cuts and slashes.

Blade: Each of the Peace Keepers feature a 3/16" thick blade which receives a high, double grind to produce extremely thin edges that will really "bite". However, they are not suitable for prying.

Sharpness: Each edge is honed and buffed until it's hair flinging sharp and will cut at the slightest touch.

Blade Finish: All stainless steel Peace Keepers come with a rich satin polished blade while the Carbon V® models feature a black, baked on epoxy coat that helps to control rust and minimize light reflection.

Handle: Both of the Peace Keepers offer a deeply checkered Kraton® grip which has been specially contoured to resist rolling, twisting or shifting in the hand.

Specifications:

Size:	Peace Keeper I	Peace Keeper II
Overall Length:	12 1/4"	9 3/4"
Blade Length:	7"	5 1/2"
Thickness:	3/16"	3/16"
Weight:	8.3 oz.	6 oz.



The Peace Keepers come complete with high quality, black Cordura sheaths which include solid brass military spec snaps.

The Peace Keeper II comes with a special boot sheath.



#10D Peace Keeper I
(AUS 8A Stainless)
#10CD Peace Keeper I
(Black Epoxy Coat Carbon V®)

#10B Peace Keeper II
(AUS 8A Stainless)
#10CB Peace Keeper II
(Black Epoxy Coat Carbon V®)

The SRK® Survival Rescue Knife

Survival/Rescue operations demand a versatile knife able to withstand extreme abuse. The SRK® was designed by Lynn Thompson with this in mind. No expense was spared in steel, heat treating and construction. Only expensive surface polishes have been eliminated. Instead, the blade has a rich black epoxy powder coat to help protect the Carbon V® steel from the elements. The blade features a tremendously strong clip point that's fine enough for delicate work, yet possesses enough belly for efficient cutting, slashing and skinning strokes.

At 3/16" of an inch thick, the SRK® offers the sturdiest possible point and edge configuration, without sacrificing sharpness. Plus, every blade is hand honed to a superb edge that is hair flinging sharp!

Specifications:

#38C SRK® Survival Rescue Knife	
Blade (Long) :6"	Blade: 3/16" (thick)
Steel: Carbon V®	Weight: 8.2oz
Handle: Kraton®	Finish: Epoxy Powder Coat

The SRK® comes complete with a high quality, black Cordura sheath.



The SRK is shown here at actual size

From our Mailbox...

"Your SRK is, hands-down, the very finest utility knife I have ever owned."

"...How in the world can you people make a knife that holds an edge like this? All I have had to do to maintain the edge is work it out on an Arkansas soft stone once in a while for five minutes or so, and it is once again razor sharp!!!

I am no knife expert, but over the last 25 years or so, being a life long hunter and fisherman, I have at one time or another owned and used all of the name brand American knives...compared to the Cold Steel SRK, they are all garbage!

Your SRK is, hands-down, the very finest utility knife I have ever owned. And folks, I have owned dozens!

I would not trade my two SRK's for any comparable knife made by anyone. They are just small enough to be handy, and big enough to be bad. As an ex-marine, I can tell you, I would not go into combat without your SRK at my side.

— W. Caswell, Keatchie Louisiana

Culloden



Specifications:

#11SS Culloden in AUS 8A Stainless Steel
(Serrated Edge—Includes Boot Sheath)

#11C Culloden in Carbon V® Steel
(Plain Edge—Includes Boot Sheath)

Blade Length: 5" Overall Length: 8 1/2"
Thickness: 1/4" Weight: 2.8

Optional Stocking Top Sheath

This traditional stocking top sheath can be purchased as an additional Culloden accessory. It comes in black leather with 1 3/4" belt slots which support a Cordura sheath with a plastic liner to help prevent accidental perforation. Also includes a wide elastic band with Velcro® fasteners.

#SL11S Culloden Stocking Sheath



Skean Dhu means "Black Knife" in Gaelic (the ancient language of the British Isles). It is a small yet deadly knife with a distinctive carved wooden handle. Typically, these knives were carried covertly on one's person or wedged in a stocking top in the style of the kilt-clad highland warriors.

Now Cold Steel® is pleased to introduce a modern, updated version of this romantic and historically significant knife.

The Culloden, designed by Lynn C. Thompson, commemorates by name, the Scottish nation's last heroic battle at Culloden on April the sixteenth, 1746, and offers today's warrior an alternative to the traditional double edged boot knife. Take a few moments and read about this knife's extraordinary features, and we're sure you'll want to make the Culloden a part of your daily wardrobe.

Blade —

The thin, acutely pointed tip of the Culloden is as sharp as the proverbial needle and is ideally suited for

piercing. It is so sharp and efficient, you'll be amazed at the effortless way it glides through just about any soft material. What's more, its saber ground, extra thin edge has been honed by hand to true razor like sharpness.

The traditional "jimping" on the back of the blade is both decorative and functional. It provides an aggressive, non-slip platform for the thumb or forefinger, allowing each to bear downward as needed for maximum control.

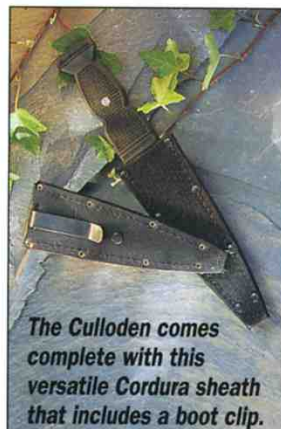
Handle —

In keeping with the minimalist theme of the original Skean Dhu, the Culloden's diminutive handle measures a mere 3 7/16 of an inch long. Don't let its small size fool you. The handle has been specially designed to afford a wide variety of comfortable and secure grips. Its palm hugging profile closely resembles a number of traditional styles so it will look right at home wedged in a stocking top. Its cross section has been made extra thin and flat so it hugs the body within its sheath and resists rolling or twisting when in the hand.

To maximize its grip, it is made of deeply checked Kraton® which has an adhering quality that makes it "stick" in wet hands, yet remains resilient enough to take the shock of even the hardest blow.

Sheath —

Every Culloden comes complete with a quality black Cordura sheath which includes a boot/belt clip. It's been specially designed for an inconspicuous presence and features a hard plastic liner to reduce the likelihood of accidents.



The Culloden comes complete with this versatile Cordura sheath that includes a boot clip.

Kitchen Knives

Typically, a set of knives in a wooden block is given as a gift. It's a great idea, but in reality, only one or maybe two of the knives are ever used on a day-to-day basis. And these knives quickly dull, because they usually are made from cheap steel and have plain edges.

That's why we decided to start our Kitchen Series with serrated blades in the two most popular sizes, 5" (K5) and 7" (K7) lengths. And both of these are without doubt the sharpest kitchen and utility knives you have ever experienced!

We started with the incredibly tough, premium AUS 8A stainless steel found in our Tantos, rolled to a thickness of 1.5mm. The traditional "Hocho" style blades are 1 1/2" wide. They are flat ground from top to bottom and then honed to a serrated edge that is astoundingly sharp. The edge also has a continuous curve from the handle, right to the point. This configuration results in unparalleled shearing potential. Now you can slice tomatoes wafer thin and cut through vegetables and meat with virtually no resistance.

Months of development and testing paid off in this new, exclusive serration pattern. It simply outperforms the competition to provide smooth long lasting cutting power. If you already own a Cold Steel® knife you know that we pride ourselves on having the sharpest knives in the business. Even we were amazed by the edge on these kitchen knives! You have to try it to believe it!

Our kitchen knives are "full tang" for strength and come complete with comfortable, durable Kraton® handles and protective polypropylene sleeves.

Now all you hunters, shooters, fishermen, firemen, carpenters, mechanics and other knife lovers who swear by Cold Steel® performance can bring it home to the kitchen and enjoy it every day, with the Kitchen Series. These new kitchen knives are guaranteed to put the fun back into food preparation!

The Kitchen Series come with polypropylene sleeves.



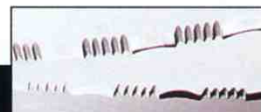
Kitchen Series: #45K5S (5 Inch) #45K7S (7 Inch)
 Thickness: 1.5mm
 Steel: AUS 8A Stainless Steel
 Handle: Kraton®
 Sleeve: Black Polypropylene
 DUE TO THEIR EXTRA THIN EDGES, THESE KNIVES ARE NOT SUITABLE FOR CUTTING BONES, FROZEN FOOD OR FOR PRYING.



Here Lynn uses our 5" Kitchen knife to prepare a traditional African stew.

From our mailbox...

"I am a working chef...I took your K-5 and K-7 to a **VERY** busy kitchen and encouraged my staff to put them through the paces. We did. As far as I can calculate, we used your kitchen knives in every conceivable task for over 5,400 hours (the actual testing time) and we could not dull these knives. They still reside in my tool box and I use them daily. The 5" works great on fruit & garnishing, and the 7" model is good for slicing bread. These are the very first serrated knives that held up under hard use in my experience! Thank you for a wonderful product. ...I am currently trying to get my new boss to order a dozen for our kitchen."
 — W. Robinson, Grand Haven, MI



The Kitchen Series and the Hai Hocho all feature our exclusive new serration pattern for the sharpest smoothest cutting you have ever experienced!

Hai Hocho The Hai Hocho Is Perfect Anywhere!

In Japan, "Hocho" means "Knife", and the distinctive shape of the traditional Hocho can be found in every area of Japanese life. Now, with the Hai Hocho Cold Steel® brings this tremendously versatile blade shape to the U.S. You'll find it's perfect for cooking, camping, fishing, boating, in fact, wherever you need a sharp, handy knife. Exactly like our Kitchen Knives, but in a handy 3" utility length, the Hai Hocho is perfect for any cutting chore.

The precision molded sheath is made from tough, Zytel® and is self draining for use around water. It clips onto the blade with a patented mechanism.

The Hai Hocho is only 6 1/2" long and less than 1/2" thick! In its sheath it weighs just 2.4 ounces! When you consider the cutting potential of this knife and the substantial grip it offers, this is truly amazing! It makes the Hai Hocho the natural choice when you're lightening your pack but you need guaranteed big knife performance!

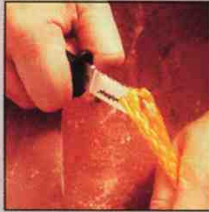


Specifications:
 #45NST Hai Hocho
 Blade Length: 3"
 Weight: 2.4oz.
 Handle: Kraton®
 AUS 8A Stainless Steel

Utility Knives

Ready Edge

The Ready Edge® offers all the strength of a fixed blade knife in the size of a folder! This stainless steel knife with its sheath weighs in at just 1.3oz. Yet the 2" spear point blade is 3/4" wide, double hollow ground to a razor-sharp edge and then equipped with aggressive serrations for efficient cutting in a wide range of materials. It's the knife of choice in our shipping department for ripping open heavy cartons and we've tried it on thick carpet and nylon



rope. Scuba divers are using it, and dealers in Alaska tell us it has become a favorite among the fishermen there for cutting nets and heavy line.

You can really get a grip on the Ready Edge's ergonomic Kraton® handle. Plus, fixed-blade construction provides superior leverage over any similar size folding knife for added power when cutting and piercing tough materials.

The Ready Edge has a tough patented Zytel® quick-release sheath. So it's perfect for when you're hard at work. The sheath also has a handy spring clip, so you can attach the Ready Edge practically anywhere: on a backpack, zipper pull, wrist lanyard, belt loop or key ring!

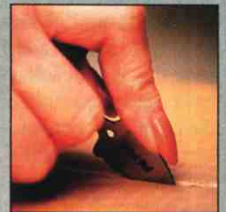
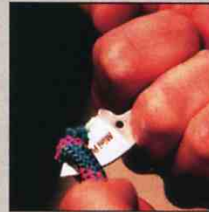
Mini Pal Keychain Knife

This cutting dynamo is only 1/2 an ounce in weight and about 2" long, yet it delivers heavyweight performance! The razor-sharp edge features our new serration, so it zips through a host of materials at unbelievable speed. Plus, the Mini Pal's unique handle offers a variety of grips that would be impossible with any other design. The 1" long, spear point blade can slice open delicate packages

and envelopes or punch through heavy cartons.

Every Mini Pal comes complete with a patented quick-release sheath. This tough Zytel® sheath is ready to clip on a key chain, belt loop, jacket zipper or lanyard. So the Mini Pal can go anywhere with you. It's so light that you won't even notice it, but you'll use it every day!

Try one... we know you'll love it!



THE MINI PAL IS NOT FOR SALE IN CANADA

Specifications:

#43NS Mini Pal

Weight: .5oz Handle: Kraton® Blade: 1"(Length)
2mm (Thick) Steel: 400 Series Stainless

#42NS Ready Edge

Weight: 1.3 oz Handle: Kraton® Blade: 2"(Length)
2.5mm (Thick) Steel: 400 Series Stainless

The Mini Pal and Ready Edge are shown here at actual size

Kiridashi The original Japanese utility knife!



Traditionally carried in the sleeve pocket of the Kimono, by both Samurai and peasant alike, the Kiridashi is now used by practically everyone in Japan from children to grown craftsmen. In many ways it is the Japanese equivalent of the western pocket knife. And it's used for everything from whittling, carving and paring to every conceivable cutting chore. Now Cold Steel® has updated this famous classic

for the '90's. The razor sharp high carbon blade of our Kiridashi is mated with a handsome, comfortable wooden handle and is sheathed in a snap-on high impact synthetic sheath. Each Kiridashi is stamped Cold Steel® as your guarantee of quality.

Specifications:

#48K Kiridashi Knife

Blade Length: 2 3/16" Weight: 1.8 oz.
Steel: High Carbon

American Made Throwing Knives

True Flight Thrower

At one time or another probably everyone has enjoyed the sound of a perfectly thrown knife as it "thunks" into a target. The only problem is finding a good knife that can stand up to the stress and strain of repeated throws.

Sure, there are a lot of throwing knives on the market but they all seem to be made out of cheap thin steel that's easily bent, or even worse, stainless steel that breaks. That's why Cold Steel® has designed the ultra-versatile True Flight Thrower. We believe it's the toughest, strongest throwing knife ever made.

Take a minute to read some of these features and we're sure you'll want to get several for yourself and some more as gifts for friends.

- The Thrower's $\frac{3}{16}$ " thick blade is ground to a strong spear point to withstand tens of thousands of throws.
- For versatility, we gave the knife a strong utility edge that's plenty-sharp yet safe enough (with care) for those who prefer the "blade hold" throwing technique.
- For the steel, we specified U.S. Premium high carbon with a custom heat treatment process to ensure a hard yet resilient blade that will "bounce back" undamaged from any throw.

Plus, for comfort and versatility, we have wrapped the handle in five feet of parachute cord.

Each knife is given a handsome, dark oxide finish to protect the blade from rust and eliminate glare.



#80TFT True Flight Thrower

#80WH Warhead

The warhead is supplied as shown here without cord wrapping or scales.

Warning:
Always use adequate eye protection when throwing these knives, and do not allow minors to throw these items without adult supervision.

Specifications:		
Blade Style:	Warhead	True Flight
Blade Length:	9"	6 1/2"
Overall Length:	14"	10 1/4"
Blade (Thick):	3/16"	3/16"
Weight:	14.4 oz	8.5 oz
U.S. Premium High Carbon Steel		

The Warhead

The Warhead is a modern interpretation of what may be the most versatile edged weapon/tool ever made. It's made right here in the USA from premium high-carbon steel, and carefully heat treated for the utmost strength, toughness and durability. The Warhead features a sharp, durable utility edge that will stand up to the heaviest cutting and chopping strokes. And it's easy to transform into a host of useful and effective weapons:

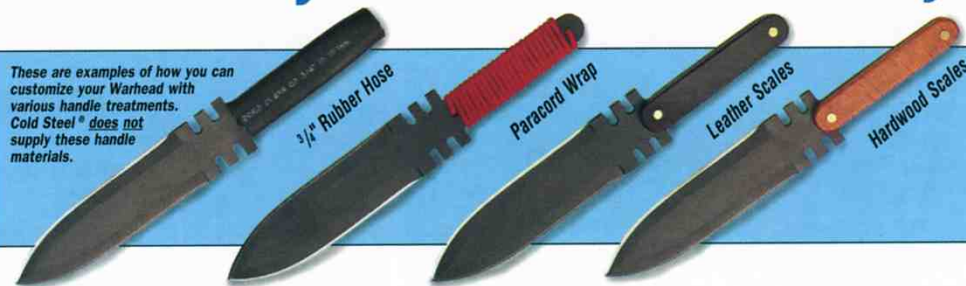
It's a Warclub: Just tie, lash, tape or glue the Warhead perpendicular to any stout shaft and you're in business!

It's a Thrower: Imagine a 14" long double-edged spear point blade that hits like a "ton-of-bricks" yet is tough enough to withstand thousands of throws.

It's a Spear: The spear is known as the king of weapons because it can enormously extend the users' reach to dispatch a target with a thrust or a well placed throw.

It's a Combat Knife: At 2" wide and 9" long, the Warhead's twin edges pierce like a dagger and deliver fearsome chopping and slashing strokes. You can customize your warhead at home with some leather, or hardwood or just a piece of radiator hose (Lynn's favorite).

Customize your Warhead! It's easy!



These are examples of how you can customize your Warhead with various handle treatments. Cold Steel® does not supply these handle materials.

It's a Thrower



It's a Warclub



It's a Spear



Indian Police Lathi (Lah-Tee)

India is a society of over a billion people speaking hundreds of different dialects and worshipping through a multitude of religions. The two main religious groups, Hindus and Muslims, are fiercely antagonistic. Strife and civil disorder can flare up at any time and often the only defense between law and anarchy is the "thin blue line", the Indian police, who rely on one main weapon in crowd control... A four foot long Lathi! It is issued as standard equipment and there is a long tradition of how to use it. The reason for the Lathi's popularity as a crowd control device is its versatility and non-lethal effectiveness. It is not unusual to see a few brave policemen wading into a vicious mob, generously and vigorously applying their Lathis until the violent gathering breaks up.

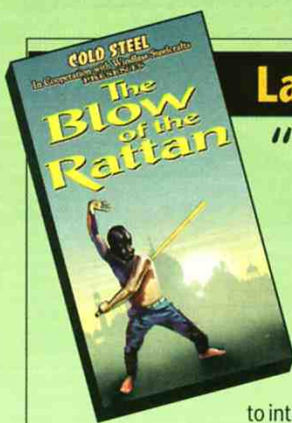
Lathis actually come in all shapes and sizes, from four feet to six feet in length and from 1" to over 2" in diameter. However we have found that a diameter of about 1 1/8" to 1 1/4" to be ideal.

At six feet the Lathi becomes an excellent hiking or camping staff. In fact it has sufficient length so that it can be cut to exactly fit the user. With the bark left on these sticks they are virtually impervious to the elements. Additionally, there is a significant weight and cost savings between rattan Lathis and traditional hardwood staffs. They even fit well into martial arts applications where they can stand in for expensive Oak Bo's from Japan or other impact weapons.

Our five foot Lathi features a decorative brass cap and ferrule. This adds a little finish and a lot of authority to the Lathi. The five foot length offers great reach but in a fairly manageable form. It makes an excellent hiking staff and improvised self-defense tool, while its decorative finish belies its potential as a weapon.

At four feet, the standard police length in India, the Police Lathi is more intimidating than a billy club or walking stick because it offers an enormous reach advantage. It even has the edge over most swords (which are typically less than 3' long). But it's not so long that it's unwieldy in crowded streets.

Specifications:
 #91PL4 4 ft. Lathi
 #91PL5 5 ft. Lathi
 #91PL6 6 ft. Lathi
 Finest Rattan
 Extra Thick Skin
 Length: 4.5 & 6 ft.
 Diameter: 1 1/8"-1 1/4"



Lathi Video: "The Blow of the Rattan"

Now, in cooperation with Windlass Steel Crafts, we are proud to introduce our new video on the history and use of the Lathi throughout India. Shot by professional film makers in breathless color and punctuated with exotic Indian music, this superb quality, 75 minute video will give an in depth look at how to wield a Lathi. What's more, there are numerous fight scenes, riot footage, demonstrations, competitions, comparisons, and a good overview of other unique and effective Indian weaponry.

#VBOR The Blow of the Rattan Home Video

If you have been looking for a training stick that's lightning fast and rugged enough to withstand hard use, look no further. Our new training stick, made out of the same tough rattan as our Police Lathi is approximately 3 feet long and is approximately 3/4" - 1" in diameter.

Three Foot Training Stick

The Crook Top Cane is widely believed to have evolved from the shepherds crook staff. This useful tool was indispensable to early nomadic/herding societies where it was used daily to guide, sort, retrieve, correct and even defend man's flocks and herds.

In the 1800's we saw a tremendous revival of interest in the cane as a fashion accessory and the crook top grew in prestige as man shortened it and adapted it to his now primarily urban existence. In time the crook top cane swelled in importance until by the early 1900's no man who considered himself a gentleman would think about leaving home without his crook rattan or malacca cane on his arm!

The zenith of the crook cane probably came during World War I when many officers on both sides of the conflict went "over the top" into the mouths of massed machine gun fire with no more weapon than their trusty rattan crook top.

Today we find just as many reasons if not more to carry a cane as man did at the turn of the century. And everyone who is even remotely interested in purchasing a cane should take a good hard look at the advantages to be had in the versatility of the crook top cane.



Crook Top Cane

Versatility:

The first and perhaps most obvious advantage of the crook top is support. Anyone who has difficulty in walking, maintaining their balance, traversing rough, hilly terrain, or suffers from back, knee, or hip pain will benefit from the crook top cane.

Its long shaft acts as a very efficient lever that can drastically reduce stress on the lower body. What's more, the crook handle distributes the body's weight evenly and squarely throughout the palm and fingers for unparalleled comfort over long periods of use.

Second, the crook handle is totally innocuous in appearance. It is widely used by people in all walks of life, and is the least likely of all walking sticks to create the impression of being armed in public.

Third, despite its benign appearance, the Crook Top can be a highly effective emergency self-defence tool when made of the appropriate materials. The long straight shaft can be used in the same manner as any other straight stick or cane. Plus the crook top can be used with sufficient training as a hook to facilitate traps, hooks, joint locks, sweeps, and throws.

Today, Lynn Thompson has found it increasingly difficult to find a Crook Top cane equal to those so popular during the turn of the century. Sure, crook tops are readily available at drug stores etc., but they are fairly expensive and are invariably made either out of cheap wood that will break, or of ugly orthopedic aluminum. That's why we make our crook top cane to exact specifications duplicating 19th century performance and quality.

A word about Rattan...

Despite its resemblance to bamboo, rattan is not hollow. It is composed of thousands of tough, thin fibers that are densely packed together and encased in a smooth hard skin. This construction gives it enormous strength and substantial flexibility. Rattan sticks flex rather than break. So when they strike hard objects they absorb shock rather than transferring it to the user. The bark is left on because it adds tremendous strength to the rattan. In fact, when combined with the fiber core, it is tough enough to offer good defense against even edged weapons. Our Police Lathis are made of select Rattan of the highest quality. They are picked for us by one of the major suppliers of Lathis to the Indian Government.

Three Foot Training Stick



Over the past few years, a number of articles have appeared in gun magazines disparaging the use of a knife in legitimate self defense emergencies where lethal force is justified. What these writers don't know or seem to have forgotten is a long, sharp, heavy (17 ounce) knife like our Trail Master® offers numerous advantages over any handgun and, as a reminder, we thought we would list them here:

- 1.) **Silent:** No noise to give away position.
- 2.) **No muzzle flash:** To blind or identify.
- 3.) **No recoil.**
- 4.) **Not dependent:** On ammunition.
- 5.) **No moving parts:** To lose or break.
- 6.) **Little or no maintenance.**
- 7.) **Rarely, if ever, breaks.**
- 8.) **Unaffected by environment:** (Stainless steel model.)
- 9.) **Legal:** Can be possessed and openly carried in virtually every state.
- 10.) **Non regulated:** Almost impossible to do.
- 11.) **Versatile:** Allows for escalation of force.
 - A.) Strikes with the butt or the un-sharpened back or flat of the blade.
 - B.) Cuts and slashes.
 - C.) Insertions.
- 12.) **Greater stopping power:** Outperforms any handgun via dismemberment or decapitation.
- 13.) **Greater safety:** Safer than any handgun with no negligent discharges, shoot throughs, or misses that could injure property and bystanders.
- 14.) **Greater knock down power:** Delivers all of its energy to the target.
- 15.) **Extremely difficult to disarm.**
- 16.) **Requires less fine motor skills to employ effectively under stress.**
- 17.) **Defeats all soft body armor and heavy clothing.**
- 18.) **Multiple uses:** Can be employed to perform all kinds of utility tasks outside of its self defense role.



Tomahawk History and Construction

Tomahawk History

The word "tomahawk" can be traced back to early Virginia and its inhabitants, the Algonquian Indians. These native Americans had wooden warclubs and stone tipped hatchets that they called "tomahak" or "tomahaken". These words were adopted slowly into the English language during the early 1700s until they became widely accepted.

As the Algonquian knew, in the hands of a determined man or woman the tomahawk is a fearsome weapon, easily capable of breaking bones or crushing skulls. Yet it is also a versatile and handy tool. It is this dual role that made it exceedingly popular with virtually everyone on the American frontier.

It was issued to American militia-men including the famous Rogers Rangers, and was adopted by various armies and even navies of the time. During sea engagements the tomahawk was often used in place of a boarding axe.

In fact it became so popular that during the War of Independence, even the enemy carried it, when tomahawks were made standard issue for the Royal Highland Regiment (the Black Watch)!

Early settlers saw the high value that the American Indians placed on their tomahawks, and it didn't take long before brass, iron and steel hawks became standard trade goods.

Today a tomahawk is still the same versatile tool and weapon it was in the 1700s. When you venture into the wilderness there is no better companion. The tomahawk also has a dedicated following among muzzle-loading enthusiasts and people who love to throw them. There is no more satisfying feeling than to make a well-aimed throw and hear your 'hawk bury itself into a target with a gratifying thud!

Tomahawk Construction

There are three main methods for making a tomahawk: Casting, hammer forging and drop forging.

Casting: Hot metal alloy is poured into a mold. The quality of the castings can vary widely depending on the alloy and the quality and design of the mold. The benefit of this method is that the metal is virtually completely uniform in cross section with no undue stresses. However, it has a tendency to be more brittle than a forged part.

Hammer Forging: Probably the most conventional way to make a 'hawk. A red hot slab of steel is folded around a mandrel (to form the hole for the shaft). Then the two ends of the bar are hammer forged together to form the blade. An improvement on this method is the inclusion of a harder strip of steel between the two ends of the bar to form a hard cutting edge. All three slabs are then hammer forged together to make the blade. A good hand forged tomahawk can offer an excellent, long lasting cutting edge. The main drawback to this method of construction is the possibility of splitting if the forging is not done well and also the build-up of unrelieved stresses that can weaken the 'hawk.

Drop Forging: This is without doubt the best method of manufacture for any impact weapon. Particularly one with a cutting edge. This is because it offers the best properties of both casting and hammer forging. Molding the hawk head from a single piece of steel

while it is hot and soft, creates a kneading effect in the steel. This makes the grain structure uniform and also tends to align the grain structure along the length of the blade for superior strength and edge holding. It also minimizes any gas pockets or other imperfections that can ruin the construction of a hand forged hawk. It is for these reasons that most good axes, hatchets and hammers are drop forged. However, to the best of our knowledge we are the only commercial manufacturer of drop forged tomahawks.

Drop forging requires extremely large machines that generate tremendous force. But the process is simple. A steel blank is heated to about 2,200°F, then placed into the first of several dies. The die is composed of two parts. One half is fixed (the anvil) and the other half is attached to a very powerful vertical hammer driven by compressed air. The hammer slams the two halves of the die together with explosive force, molding the hot steel blank into a shape similar to the finished tomahawk head. This initial tomahawk blank is then placed in a more exact die and the process is repeated. Several more dies may be required, depending on the complexity of the part. With each strike of the huge hammer, the tomahawk gets a little closer to its finished form. The final steps include trimming away excess metal with a precise trim die, creating the hole with a large punch through the hot metal, straightening and then heat treating the finished 'hawk.

Drop forging not only creates a superior product, but it is also an extremely efficient method of manufacture. This translates into the values you see here. The quality of our drop forged tomahawks is superior to custom, hand forged hawks costing three and even four times more!



Above, a metal blank is heated in a furnace.



The red hot metal blank is placed on the anvil die.



Above you can see the huge air hammer in action. As you can imagine the force is incredible as the softened, red hot steel is pounded into shape in the metal die. The entire building shakes as the hammer makes contact and the sound is deafening!

Drop Forged Tomahawks

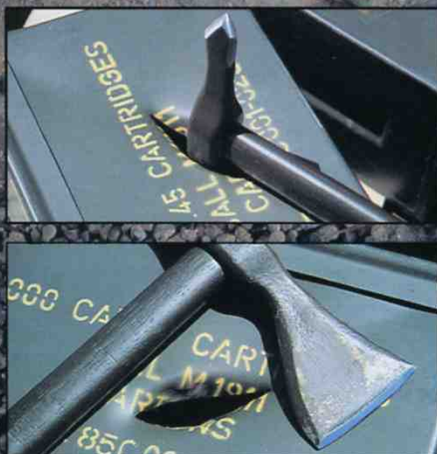
Vietnam Tomahawk

It took Peter LaGana a lifetime of armed combat and months of design and testing to perfect the distinctive weapon we know as the Vietnam Tomahawk. The first 500 of these "hawks" were produced in April, 1966, ready to make history in Vietnam.

Now, Cold Steel® introduces an exact replica of this historic weapon. Like the original Vietnam Tomahawk, our copy is light enough to be carried all day without causing undue fatigue. Plus in combat, this lightness translates into speed; allowing quick changes in direction, even in mid-stroke!

The blade of the "hawk" offers a wide, upswept primary edge for tremendous cutting, slashing and chopping potential. The secondary edge on the lower side of the head is specially curved and partially sharpened for both a cutting and hooking attack. When combined with the "V" shaped spike on the back of the "hawk" head, the whole thing is wickedly efficient. An absolutely deadly, no-frills combat weapon.

Every Vietnam Tomahawk comes complete with a heavy duty leather sheath, in the original oxblood color.



Above left, Lynn Thompson used the blade of the Vietnam Tomahawk to shear effortlessly through this heavy gauge ammo container, with no damage to the edge. On the right, you can see the Vietnam Tomahawk's spike punched through 3/4" plywood.

Beware of cheap imitations that claim to be exact replicas yet utilize: crude cast heads (while claiming they are forged) that aren't heat treated, cheap hammer handles, merely glued in place and perhaps worst of all, shoddy sheaths made of compressed/glued together scrap leather!

Specifications:
#90VT Vietnam Tomahawk
#H90VT Vietnam Tomahawk Replacement Handle
Overall length: 13 1/2" Hawk length: 8 1/2"
Primary edge: 2 3/4" Approx 1 lb
Straight Grain Hickory Handle
Top Quality Leather Sheath
Drop forged 5150 Steel

Rifleman's and Plainsman's Hawk

These superb tomahawks are precision drop forged from medium carbon 5150 steel. During the forging process a metal ingot is heated almost white hot and then formed into shape in a series of progressive dies. The large steel dies are fixed to enormous compressed air hammers with hundreds of tons of power behind every strike. Each die hammers the hot metal into a gradually more finished shape. During this forming process the steel is kneaded and compressed into a completely homogenous mass. And this, in turn, makes it extremely tough and strong. Like all good tomahawks, these are differentially heat treated. This means that the cutting edge and hammer face is fully hardened, while the balance of the head is left relatively soft to absorb the shock of striking blows. We have these tomahawks made under contract with one of the largest hand tool makers in the world. The plant is in Taiwan and a Cold Steel® representative supervises each step of production to ensure that our quality standards are maintained in every production run.

Both tomahawks feature a factory honed cutting edge that is 3 1/2" wide. The distance from the edge to the shaft is a whopping 5" for serious chopping power and lethal penetration. The factory edge is sharp and very durable, and due to the high quality steel and heat treatment, with a little effort it can be readily made razor sharp.

Both hawks also feature a flattened butt for hammering stakes. However, for serious hammer work like

pounding nails, we recommend the Rifleman's Hawk, with its functional hexagonal hammer poll.

These hawks throw and stick extremely well. If you prefer less weight, the Plainsman's Hawk fills the bill. When used as a weapon, especially by medium build fighters, the lighter weight also offers some advantages in speed. These include recovery after a swing or swift changes in direction even in mid-stroke. But if you have a heavier build, or want something that hits like the proverbial "ton of bricks" then the Rifleman's Hawk is for you!

Our tomahawks are both reminiscent of early American designs. The Plainsman's Hawk is probably the more traditional of the two. This type of styling was very popular with the early settlers, while the Rifleman's Hawk offers a "peace pipe" appearance that was commonly used by Native Americans.

The shafts of our tomahawks are of finest quality straight grain American hickory.

These tomahawks are the strongest, most indestructible hawks available and we challenge any of our competitors to prove otherwise! They are deadly accurate as a throwing weapon yet truly useful for chores, either one of these Tomahawks is an excellent choice.

Plainsman's Hawk

Rifleman's Hawk

Both Rifleman's and Plainsman's hawks can be thrown with deadly efficiency. Plus they offer the weight and blade length to deliver serious chopping power.



WARNING: Always use adequate eye protection when throwing the Vietnam, Plainsman's, and Rifleman's Hawks, and do not allow minors to throw these items without adult supervision.

Specifications:

#90RH Rifleman's Hawk

Overall length 18 1/2" Hawk length: 8 1/2"
Weight (Approx): 32 oz. Primary edge 3 1/2"
American Hickory Handle

#90PH Plainsman's Hawk

Overall length 18 1/2" Hawk length: 6 3/4"
Weight (Approx): 26 oz. Primary edge 3 1/2"
American Hickory Handle

#H90RH Rifleman's/Plainsman's
Replacement Handle

The Frontier Series Knives



Specifications:
#39HB1 Scalping Knife Only-Without Sheath
#39HB3 Scalping Knife with Sheath
 Weight: 6.4oz. Blade Thickness: 1/8"
 Blade Length: 7" Handle Length: 4 1/2"
 Steel: Carbon V® Overall Length: 11 1/2"
 Genuine hickory handles with solid brass rivets

SCALPING KNIFE

Research shows that the term "scalping knife" first surfaced at the conclusion of the French and Indian War when English fur traders, angry over recent atrocities, decided to dramatize them by referring to the common French peasant/kitchen knife they had sold to the Indians for years as a "scalper."

Even today there is a lingering fascination with the scalping knife. That's why Hudson Bay Knife and Tool Works™ decided to resurrect a new, historically correct version of this fur trade classic.

The original scalping knife was essentially a tool. Indians, long hunters, fur trappers and settlers used it to perform a wide range of utility chores. But for tasks like field dressing, skinning or even quartering big game, it was hard to beat.

Our Scalping Knife features a sharp, yet sturdy point for piercing, and a moderately curved edge that facilitates all cutting, slashing, chopping and shearing strokes. It is 7" long with a riveted hickory handle and features a 1/8" thick Carbon V® blade that has been flat ground to an extra thin edge.

HUDSON BAY
KNIFE & TOOL WORKS

Hudson Bay™ Knife and Tool Works is a wholly owned division of Cold Steel® Inc. Its mission is to produce all manner of historical tools and weapons dating from 1670 right up to the present. Every effort will be made to insure all products are of the highest quality and workmanship. And furthermore, that they at all times represent a tremendous, unbeatable value for the money.



Frontier Series Separates

Create your own personalized version of any of the Frontier Series knives. We offer the blades and solid brass cutlery rivets.

- #39HB1B Scalping Knife Blade Only**
- #39HB2B Butcher Knife Blade Only**
- #39RR1B Elk Hunter Knife Blade Only**
- #39RR2B American Hunting Knife Blade Only**

Blades



Specifications:
#39HB2 Butcher Knife Only-Without Sheath
#39HB4 Butcher Knife With Sheath
 Weight: 6.6oz. Blade Thickness: 1/8"
 Blade Length: 7" Handle Length: 4 1/2"
 Steel: Carbon V® Overall Length: 11 1/2"
 Genuine hickory handles with solid brass rivets

BUTCHER KNIFE

Our Butcher Knife is an exact reproduction of a frontier original first made by the firm of I. Wilson® in 1750. It's a timeless pattern, in use for literally hundreds of years with little or no modification. If you're interested in emulating a character or style from just about any period of our country's history, this is the knife for you.

Whether you're cutting up a chicken or chopping up vegetables, we're sure you'll have nothing but praise for our Butcher Knife. As its name implies, this knife was designed to butcher animals. And when it comes to gutting, skinning, quartering and even breaking big chunks into table size portions, it can't be beat.

It's an ideal survival knife with a wide variety of uses. Mountain men in the early 1800's went off into the wilderness for years with little more than a butcher blade, an axe, and a muzzle loading rifle.

The Butcher Knife's Carbon V® blade is 7" long. It is flat ground top to bottom and features an extra thin edge that slices through almost any soft medium with ease. The handle is genuine hickory with brass rivets.

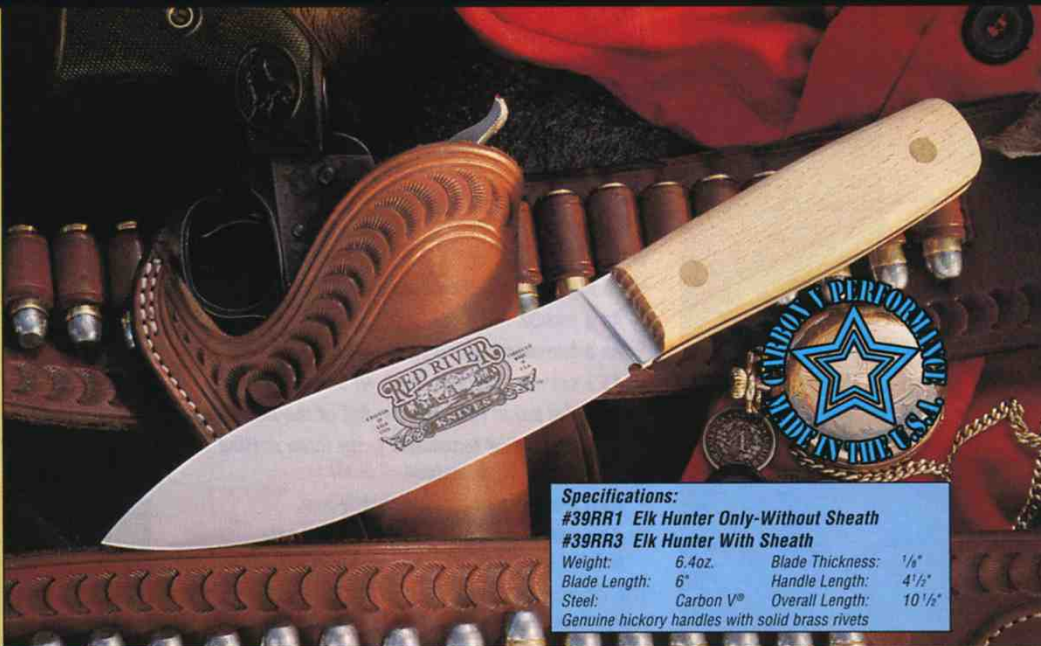
Carbon V® Performance

ELK HUNTER

This knife was originally designed in the late 1800's and was so successful that it was eventually adopted by butchers and the meat packing industry at large!

The secret to the Elk Hunter's success and longevity can be traced to its unique blade shape. The edge runs in a mild, continuous curve, two thirds of the way up the blade where it changes to a more pronounced curve (forming the perfect "belly") before terminating in a sharp, useful point. This shape has proved ideal over the last 100 years for peeling the hide off any critter larger than a field mouse.

The 1/8" thick Carbon V® blade is smelted and rolled right here in the USA, and to assure maximum cutting, slicing, and shearing potential, each blade is carefully flat ground from top to bottom. The handle of the Elk Hunter measures 4 1/2" by 1 1/4" and will accommodate just about any size hand. It is made out of two tough hickory slabs that have been machine shaped and sanded before being permanently bonded to the full tang knife via solid brass cutlery rivets.



Specifications:
#39RR1 Elk Hunter Only-Without Sheath
#39RR3 Elk Hunter With Sheath
 Weight: 6.4oz. Blade Thickness: 1/8"
 Blade Length: 6" Handle Length: 4 1/2"
 Steel: Carbon V® Overall Length: 10 1/2"
 Genuine hickory handles with solid brass rivets



#R39 Solid Brass Cutlery Rivets



Red River Knives®, a division of Cold Steel® Inc., is dedicated to manufacturing a wide variety of knives from the action packed era of the Wild West. And like its sister division, Hudson Bay Knife and Tool,™ every effort will be made to deliver both high quality and tremendous value so every customer will feel he has received more than his money's worth!



#SL39RR
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Sheath

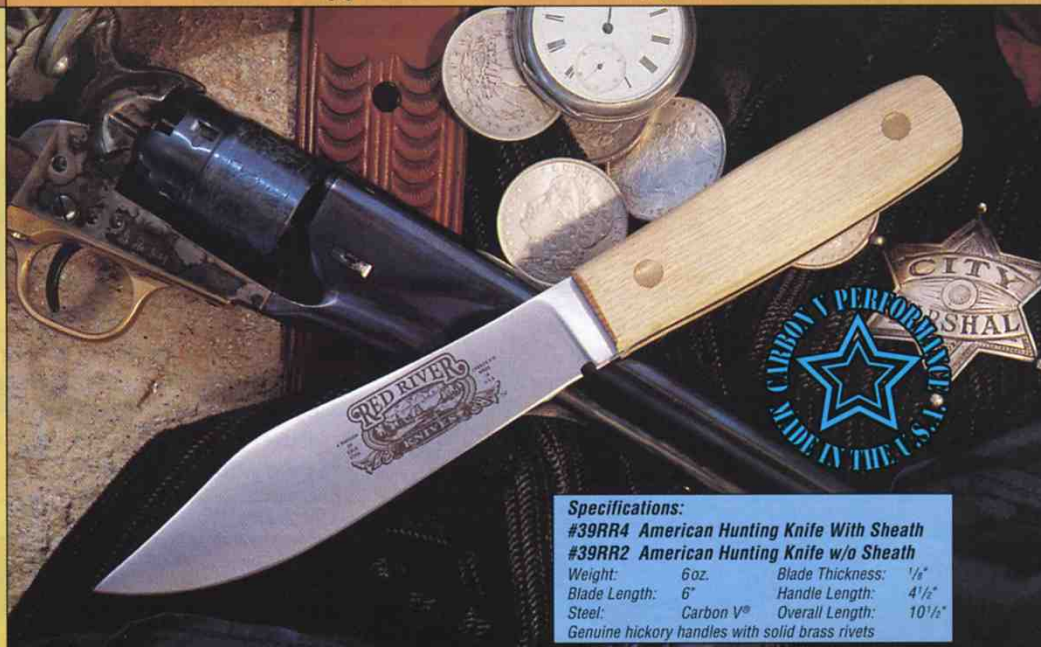
Clothing, gunleather, and accessories featured on these pages courtesy Red River Frontier Outfitters.

AMERICAN HUNTING KNIFE

This shorter, lighter version of the historical clip point Bowie—sans guard and with a simple wood handle—swept the nation during the westward expansion of the late 1800's. Settlers, ranchers, cowboys, and hunters all needed a good reliable camp/hunting/utility knife at a reasonable price.

The full tang, Carbon V® blade is 1/8" thick and measures a full 6 inches in length. It is flat ground top to bottom with an extra thin, sharp edge. It features a broad clip point that offers plenty of "belly" for efficient skinning, yet terminates in a needle sharp tip that is capable of dagger like penetration. Plus, two thirds of the lower portion of the blade is fairly straight so it can be readily used for cutting, slicing, shearing and whittling.

Like our other Frontier knives, the American Hunting Knife features a simple slab hickory handle secured by solid brass cutlery rivets. This handle is quite comfortable and affords many hand positions. Plus it can be easily stained and decorated to suit its owner's fancy.



Specifications:
#39RR4 American Hunting Knife With Sheath
#39RR2 American Hunting Knife w/o Sheath
 Weight: 6oz. Blade Thickness: 1/8"
 Blade Length: 6" Handle Length: 4 1/2"
 Steel: Carbon V® Overall Length: 10 1/2"
 Genuine hickory handles with solid brass rivets

Special Forces Shovel

The Special Forces Shovel is modeled after the original Soviet Spetsnaz shovel. The Spetsnaz were the Soviet army's most elite unit and were world renowned for their deadly efficiency and ruthlessness. The Spetsnaz were trained to travel light, so they trimmed their packs down to the bare essentials. Of all the items in their pack, the Spetsnaz were particularly fond of their shovel. It was incredibly versatile, with three sharpened edges and a broad, flat blade. It can be used:

- To dig foxholes, trenches, bunkers.
- As a paddle.
- As a hammer to drive nails or pound stakes.
- As a cleaver, hatchet, even an axe.
- As a riot baton (hit with the flat of the shovel).
- Like a throwing tomahawk (with three cutting surfaces to stick instead of one!)
- As a fearsome and deadly battle axe.
- As a defensive shield against fists, boots, knives, bayonets or even other shovels.

The original Spetsnaz shovels are quite crude, with rough handles and thin blades. Since the breakup of the Soviet Union, they are extremely difficult to obtain. So we decided to make our own version. Our Special Forces Shovel follows the overall Soviet design as faithfully as possible but the result is actually an improvement on the original, especially in terms of steel (twice as thick) and heat treatment.

This is a super value on a precision-made tool that is also a battle-proven, improvised weapon. Take a look at all these features. We think you'll agree that there's a place for the Special Forces Shovel in your life!

Features:

- Shovel head and socket are forged from medium carbon steel, then heat treated for maximum strength.
- All shovel edges have been sharpened to a sturdy utility/axe edge. This can easily be improved to razor sharpness with a little effort.
- Each shovel is approximately 50 centimeters long so it can be used as a measuring tool (two shovel lengths equal 1 meter).
 - Each shovel is equipped with a heavy-duty wooden handle, suitable for hard service.

Specifications:

#92SF Special Forces Shovel

Weight: 28.6oz Length: 50cm (19.68")
 Handle: Hardwood Steel: Medium Carbon

#H92SF Replacement Handle

Warranty: We guarantee these shovels against defects in materials or workmanship. This does not include breakage or damage caused by abuse. Any item can be damaged or broken if subjected to sufficient abuse.

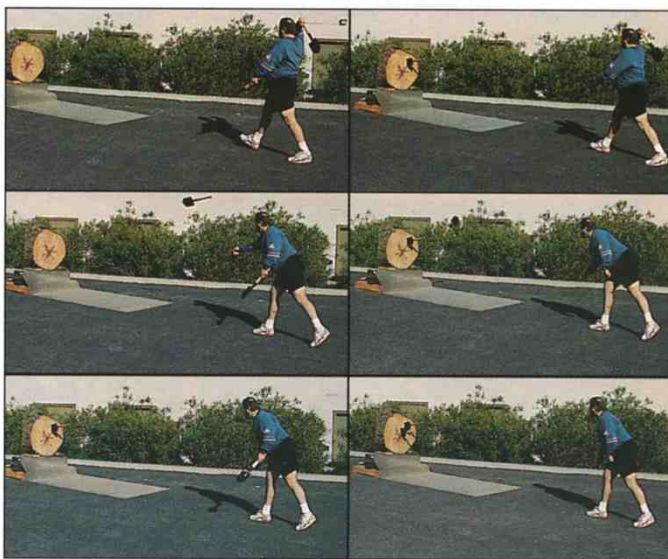
WARNING: Always use adequate eye protection when throwing the Special Forces Shovel, and do not allow minors to throw this item without adult supervision.

Genuine Leather Shovel Sheath

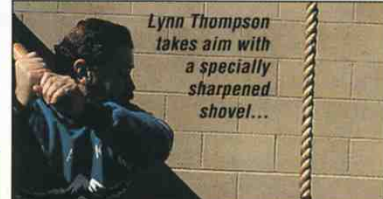
This is a new solid leather sheath made specifically for the Special Forces Shovel. It fits like a glove, and, like the shovel, it's designed for long hard use.

It features an extra wide belt loop and pack loop made of 1.5" black military webbing. The shovel is secured by two straps of the same webbing and mil spec black snaps. This is a big sheath and it's well made, so it doesn't come cheap. But it's an excellent accessory that will allow you to safely take your shovel anywhere!

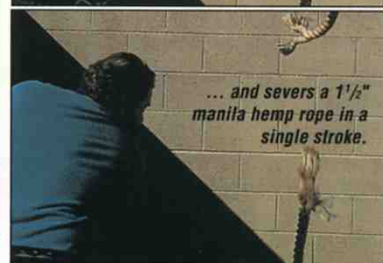
#SL92SF:
 Special Forces Shovel Sheath



These photos show the proper technique to use when digging with this shovel.



Lynn Thompson takes aim with a specially sharpened shovel...



... and severs a 1 1/2" manila hemp rope in a single stroke.

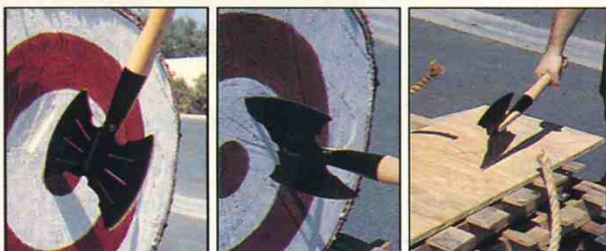
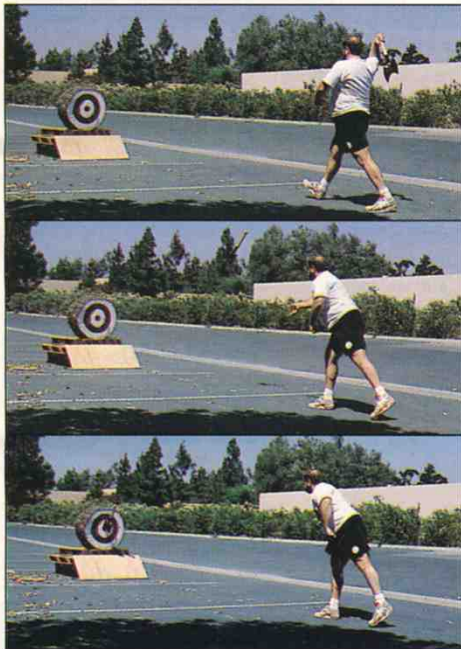
The Bad Axe

Like the Special Forces Shovel, the Bad Axe is made of medium carbon steel, over 2mm thick and fully heat treated for strength. The edges of the Bad Axe have been factory honed to a sharp utility edge that can easily be improved to razor sharpness without much effort. The handle is of premium hardwood finished in clear lacquer. You'll find the Bad Axe is light enough to swing with one hand and there's plenty of space on the handle to allow a double handed grip for full power strokes.

Specifications:

#92BX Bad Axe
 Weight: 26 oz.
 Length: 20" Overall
 Width: 8 1/2"
 Blade: 7 1/2"
 Handle: Hardwood
 Medium Carbon Steel

This axe throws, sticks and chops like nothing you have ever seen before. The photos below show Lynn Thompson hurling the Bad Axe. This was literally his third throw.



The photo (left, top) is a close up of the axe in the target! It really was a bull's eye. Next to it is a photo of a later throw that clearly shows the sticking action of the axe points. At right, Lynn chops through a 1 1/4" manila hemp rope so clearly that the two halves are hurled apart!

#H92SF Replacement Handle

WARNING: Always use adequate eye protection when throwing the Bad Axe, and do not allow minors to throw this item without adult supervision.

Sjambok (SHAM-BOK)

Unlike most western style whips the Sjambok is not plaited from thin leather strips. Instead it is carved whole out of the thick back skin of a hippopotamus. Hippo hide is incredibly thick, often measuring 3" or more, and as you can imagine it's very tough and durable.

In Africa the Sjambok is a cattle prod, a whip, a riding crop, and a means of self protection. It is also known throughout Africa as the premier snake killer. Its considerable reach, lightening speed and devastating impact make child's play of dispatching even the biggest snake. And since the Sjambok is swung like a rod, not cracked like a western style whip, the weight, speed and flexibility of the Sjambok does all the work and little physical strength is required.

In fact, in the hands of a determined man or woman, a Sjambok is an awesome non-lethal tool for self defense. A light blow can raise a serious welt while a heavy stroke can cut through thick clothing like rotten cheese cloth, leaving a fearsome wound that is extremely painful and guaranteed to deter virtually any aggressor.

Synthetic Sjamboks (genuine police issue)

Devastating Sjambok power!

The Sjambok was adopted by the South African police as a riot control weapon. Because of the large numbers of Sjamboks that were needed, the issue item was made from precision molded black plastic. Try one and you'll soon see why it earned its awesome reputation!



Specifications: Sjambok
#95SA (41" Model)
#95SAXL (54" Model)
 Extruded virgin black plastic
 Length: 41" or 54" (Approx.)
 Diameter: Butt: 1" Tip: 3/8"
Warning: While our synthetic Sjambok is ideal for moving heavy, thick-skinned stock like cattle, it is too severe for disciplining horses!

Non-Metal Fiber Glass-Filled Plastic Knives

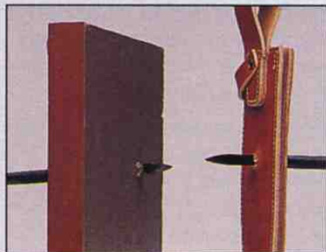
Delta Dart

The Delta Dart is 8" long and 1/2" in diameter, yet it weighs only 1/2 an ounce! It's so light you can carry half a dozen, because they can be taped, tied or tucked just about anywhere! The comfortable handle is knurled for a positive grip and the butt is smooth and rounded, so it's perfect for both thumb and palm reinforced grip positions.

Incredibly Strong

The Delta Dart is made entirely of extremely hard Zytel®, glass-filled nylon, not the cheap, flexible plastic found in other darts. We use the highest level of glass to nylon available, 43%, so the point is tougher, lasts much longer and is easily re-sharpened with a nail file.

Incredibly strong! The photo, below, shows the dart hammered through a hollow core door and a thick leather sheath with virtually no damage!



Specifications:
#92DD Delta Dart
 Weight: 0.7oz
 Diameter: 1/2"
 Length Overall: 7 7/8"
 Blade Length: 3 1/2"
 Material: Zytel®



The CAT^{Covert} Action Tanto

Black, silent and totally undetectable! The CAT is a featherweight reproduction of Cold Steel®'s famous Tanto! It shares all the design features that made the original Tanto so popular, including the sure-grip handle shape, the reinforced point and the "skull crushing" pommel. The CAT is made of 43% glass-filled Zytel® nylon, which has been UV and heat stabilized to be impervious to the elements.

With the CAT, you have a super-light, full size knife that you can really get a grip on and generate tremendous penetration. The CAT can be taped, tied or tucked away just about anywhere, and since it's also invisible to metal screening devices, it can easily pass unnoticed through security checks. To complement its covert nature, the CAT is totally "sterile" with no markings to indicate the point of origin.



Specifications:
#92CAT CAT Tanto
 Weight: 3.2oz
 Length Overall: 11 1/4"
 Blade Length: 5 3/4"
 Material: Zytel®

This CAT Tanto returned to true afterwards.



The picture, above right, shows the dent in a car door from impact with the skull-crushing pommel of the CAT. As you can see the pommel is completely undamaged! Below, the CAT Tanto is stabbed through multiple layers of heavy cardboard. It has tremendous penetration.

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The Bushman™

An Economical Survival Knife!

The Bushmen of Africa's Kalahari desert are renowned for their ability to survive in one of nature's most hostile environments. Today, a Bushman hunter/gatherer regularly travels on foot 10-30 kilometers a day in his search for game or edible plant life. Everything he carries on those exhausting expeditions must be functional, lightweight and above all versatile. For example, his entire kit is carried on a single shoulder and consists of a digging stick, light bow (20 lb. pull), bark quiver, 5 poisoned arrows, fire sticks, knife and a short spear for dispatching large animals.

Now Lynn Thompson has combined the survival lessons learned from the Bushmen with modern cold forging technology to produce a new survival/outdoor knife we have named the Bushman™ in honor of the hardy tribe that inspired it.

STRONG:

For the money, the Bushman™ may very well be the strongest survival/outdoor knife in the world! Unlike most hollow handle survival knives, there is no joint or seam between the blade and handle that requires a mechanical fastener. Instead the Bushman's™ blade and integral handle have been expertly cold forged out of a single piece of 2.5mm thick SK-5 high carbon steel. The resulting knife has been heat treated and tempered to RC54 and when subjected to factory tests, has withstood over 2 tons of pressure on its blade/handle transition point without failure!

SHARP:

Every Bushman™ blade has been carefully ground to an extra thin edge, and then honed and buffed by hand until razor sharp.

Re-sharpening is easy, just give it a few licks on a butcher's steel when it starts to fade and it will "pop back" sharp as ever. And for those without a "steel" the Bushman's™ SK-5 high carbon blade can be easily and quickly restored on any stone or popular re-sharpening system.

VERSATILE:

When it comes to versatility, the Bushman™ offers two advantages. One is its hollow handle which will accept survival supplies or a variety of handle extensions to maximize reach, leverage, or ease of throwing! The other advantage is its broad, thin, continuously curved blade, which is ideal for skinning (plenty of belly), and will pierce, cut, slash, slice, and shear like you won't believe. The Bushman™ can also be used as a:

- Hunting-Skinning Knife
- Kitchen / Filet Knife
- Bait Knife
- Utility Knife
- Survival Knife
- Butcher Knife
- Agricultural Knife
- Boat Knife
- Camp Knife
- Throwing Knife

With an extended handle, it can be used as a:

- Machete
- Spear
- Javelin

CONVENIENT:

Due to its size and moderate weight (10.1 oz.), the Bushman™ will prove to be one of the handiest and most useful sheath knives you have ever owned! Just think of all the ways you can carry it:

- On your Belt
- In your Boot
- In a Duffle or Seabag
- In the Glove Compartment
- In your Tackle Box
- In an Earthquake Kit
- Webb Gear
- In a Backpack
- In a Saddle Bag
- In your Tool Box
- In a Survival Kit

Unbeatable Guarantee

If you crack, bend or break your Bushman™ for any reason within three years of purchase, just send it back (we recommend U.P.S., **DO NOT** send by U.S. Mail) with your original receipt and \$7.00 to cover shipping and handling and we will replace it. No questions asked!

The Bushman™ sheath is NOT subject to this special guarantee.

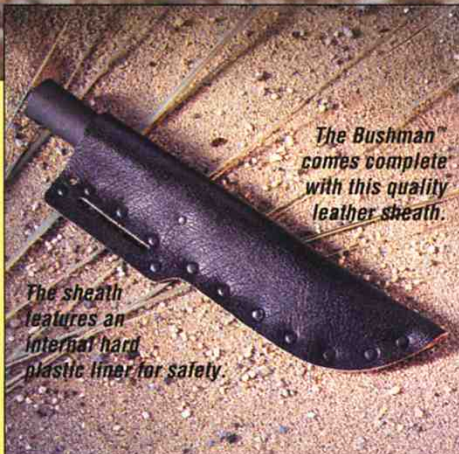


Specifications:

#95BUS Bushman™

Steel: SK-5 High Carbon 2.5 mm thick Weight: 10.1 oz.
Blade Length: 7" Overall Length: 12 1/4"

Replacements of the Bushman™ sheath are available...
#SL95BUS: Standard Bushman™ Sheath



The Bushman™ comes complete with this quality leather sheath.

The sheath features an internal hard plastic liner for safety.



The handle is a hollow cylinder, perfect for carrying small objects! Put your things in a plastic bag, tape in place, and you're ready to go!



Versatile Design

The Bushman™ attaches easily to a shaft so it can be used in an emergency as a hatchet, machete, or a spear.

Fifteen to One!

For the price of just one Chris Reeve Survival Knife (Sugg. Retail \$299.95) you could buy fifteen Bushmen™!



High Performance Spears

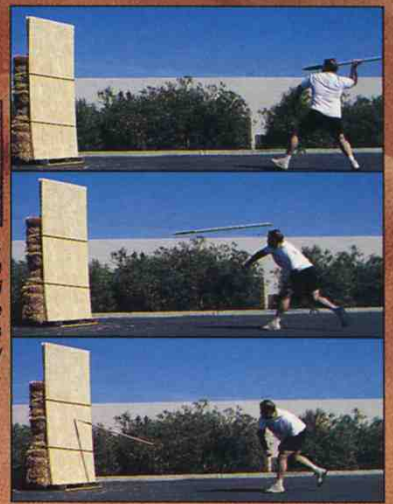


Here, Lynn throws a Javelin through a 55 gallon steel drum.

In the insets below, you can see that the Javelins and Assegais cleanly punctured the steel of the drum.



In this incredible sequence, you can see Lynn Thompson throwing the Assegai through $\frac{3}{4}$ " plywood. The close up inset above shows how the Assegai clearly perforated the panel.



The New Improved Javelin

This is a superb throwing spear. It is a scaled down version of the Assegai, so it can be thrown further with less effort. But its penetration is still awesome. The blade is now $10\frac{1}{2}$ " long and almost 2" wide and like the Assegai, it is extremely sharp. It comes complete with a full length throwing shaft made of premium American Ash.

The Assegai

The original Assegai was invented by the legendary Zulu King, Shaka in the early 1800s. Its long, broad blade and short handle revolutionized tribal warfare in Southern Africa. Our Assegai has all the features that made the original so deadly. The blade is $13\frac{1}{3}$ " long and $2\frac{1}{2}$ " wide and extremely sharp. It is available with a two foot long shaft for thrusting or a full length throwing shaft. Both shafts are in premium American Ash.



Optional Leather Sheaths

For minimizing accidents and to prevent blunting of the edge or point of your spear, these sheaths make an excellent accessory. Each sheath is made of quality leather and is firmly stitched and riveted for hard use. (Includes belt loop)

*S95JSL Javelin Spear Sheath

*S95AS Assegai Spear Sheath

Silent, Primitive, and Deadly!

The history and use of spears spans every corner of the globe. Even today it is common to find people around the world who rely on the spear to provide food and protection. It's easy to imagine spears in the hands of aboriginal natives in the rain forests of South America, the outback of Australia or the broad savannas of Africa. But the use of spears is much more widespread in 20th century society. In South Africa for instance, the Assegai is still the weapon of choice for the Zulu nation. These broad bladed, short handled thrusting spears are commonly seen in television news reports. Unrest in the townships of Johannesburg, and clashes between Zulu's and the ANC or the heavily armed South African police often end in deadly confrontation between guns and spears. And quite frequently the spears prevail!

In China, spears were even an item of standard military issue as late as W.W.II. During the rape of Nanking, historic film footage clearly shows Chinese soldiers going into battle, against the Japanese, armed with wicked looking spears trimmed with red horse hair tassels. These traditional Chinese spears had a well earned reputation as the "king of weapons".

The reach advantage offered by spears is the key to their effectiveness. When used as a thrusting weapon they clearly outdistance even the longest sword. And when thrown, they have no competition. Arrows or bullets simply do not have the same impact as several pounds of razor sharp wood and steel. Try to imagine the damage that can be done by a Maasai Spear that weighs four lbs. These spears are traditionally used to hunt lions. It is said that when correctly thrown, they are capable of completely transfixing a full grown lion from head to hips! This is truly incredible penetration.

Lynn Thompson has dreamed of creating an affordable line of spears since 1986. But it was only with the development of the Special Forces Shovel that this dream became a reality.

Now, finally, with cold forging technology, Cold Steel® can offer these high performance thrusting and throwing spears to the general public.

New Technology for Ancient Wisdom

Both of these spears are cold forged from top quality 1035 medium carbon steel. Like traditional spears, the steel is hardened to a spring temper. The concept is that the spear head should flex or bend under impact stresses rather than to break or shatter. This way, even if it is bent, the spear head can be easily straightened with a hammer or in a vise without breaking the blade.

Practice Makes Perfect

You will be amazed how quickly your aim improves with a little practice. In experienced hands these spears can be used for hunting game* and can also be tremendous weapons for self-defense.

*It is important to check local laws before hunting any game with a spear.

We have tried our best to make these spear heads as straight, strong, and affordable as possible. However, any item can be broken or damaged if subjected to sufficient abuse (and yes, everything eventually just plain wears out and must be replaced). We guarantee these spear heads against defects in materials or workmanship but please be fair and remember all spear shafts, no matter how well made, will eventually break under hard use and must be replaced. Eye protection is a must when throwing these spears.

From Our Mailbox...



Here in Central Texas we've been hunting wild boars with dogs, horses, and rifles for some time. This February, I'd ordered three of your Assegai's and decided to try one out on one of our feral/Russian crosses.

The dogs and horses did their part and I ran on in and nailed the 240 lb. boar you see here. I've killed a number of other hogs with .308, 35 Whelan, & 357 Mag. I was amazed at the speed with which this one passed on. The only caliber that was anywhere near as fast was the 35 Whelan.

I speared the hog and it went down and expired almost instantly. Everyone there was surprised at (the Assegai's) effectiveness.

—D. Blevins, Pontotoc TX

"...We began using the Javelin in the summer of '95 after trying many handmade as well as production model spears that did not hold up to our expectations as a sport throwing production company. In a typical weekend throwing contest we may enter several hundred spear throwing contestants who will each throw a minimum of 10 throws into a wooden target. Considering that there will be misses that will impact into our protective barricades or a concrete floor, our spearheads must be quite durable. In the past six months we have conducted six championship events, throwing the Javelin thousands of times. We are still using our original three Javelins and have ordered six more simply to fill the demand for our shows. ...let me congratulate Cold Steel in producing a tough, durable product that will hold up to the most rigorous demands."

—T. Brunofsky,
Founder,
Frontier Specialty Promotions
Charlestown, IN

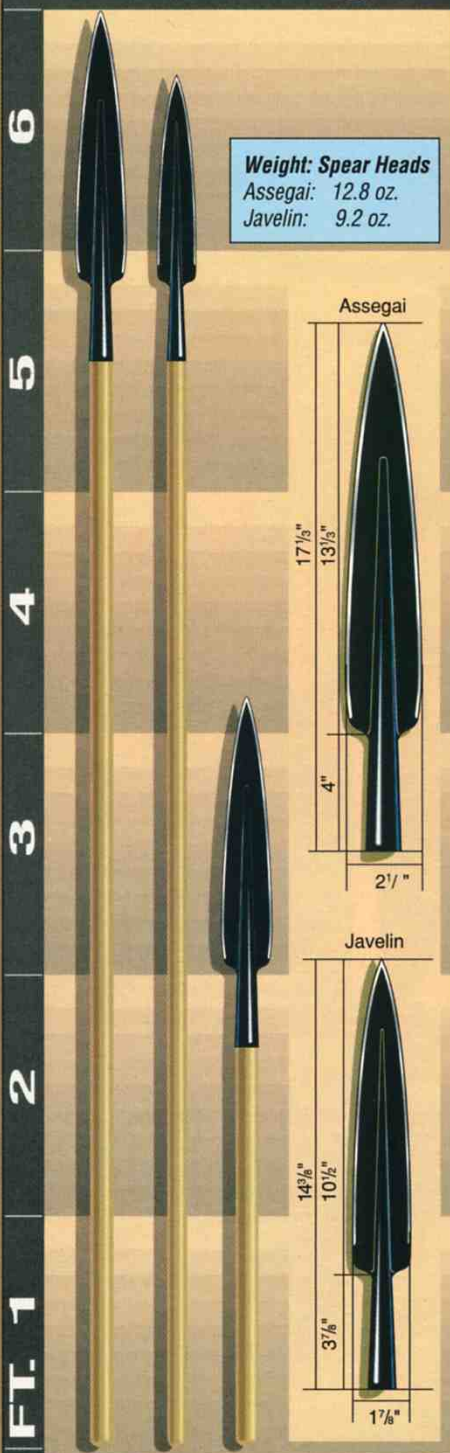
All spears and/or shafts include screws for attaching the spear head to its shaft.

- *95F Assegai with Short Shaft
- *95E Assegai with Long Shaft
- *95DL Javelin with Shaft

REPLACEMENT SHAFTS...

- *X95SAS Assegai Short Shaft
- *X95LAS Assegai Long Shaft
- *X95JS Javelin Shaft

Relative Lengths



Boar Spear



Optional Leather Sheath

Made of quality leather, and firmly stitched and riveted for long hard use, this sheath makes an outstanding accessory for your Boar Spear. Includes a belt loop on back.

'SL95BOA Boar Spear Sheath

Specifications:

#95BOA Boar Spear with Shaft

Weight: 1.25 lbs (Spear Head Only) 4.25 lbs. (With Shaft)

Steel: 1035 medium carbon

Length: 18 1/2" (Spear Head -Overall) 13 1/2" (Blade)

82 1/2" (Overall-With Shaft)

Shaft: 71" X 1 1/2" Premium Ash Wood w/ dark walnut stain

Historical Background

The European boar spear reached a pinnacle of popularity during the 16th century when it was widely used in conjunction with hunting dogs and netted traps to take foxes, hares, bears and wild boar. It became so popular that it wasn't long before it became a standard weapon of war. England's Henry the VIII was particularly fond of this weapon and owned several dozen of them, some with fancy gilt and crimson velvet trimming. Even his Almain mounted mercenaries in France were equipped with boar spears.

For 200 years, the boar spear reigned supreme as the staff weapon of choice in the forests and often the battlefield as well. Only the invention of reliable firearms in the 18th century could fade its renown. It would have disappeared altogether if not for the decadent tastes of the Northern European nobility. To them, hunting with a firearm was a pale substitute for the thrill of hand to hand combat in the forest with nothing but a spear.



Now you too can enjoy the same excitement with Cold Steel's® modern re-creation of this classic spear. Cold forged out of medium carbon 1035 steel and heat treated to a spring temper, the massive blade is designed to flex under stress instead of breaking.

It has an overall length of 18 1/2" and weighs a whopping 1 1/4 pounds! What's more, each blade comes fully sharpened to a utility edge and features a sturdy reinforcing rib to make it as stiff as possible for maximum penetration. The spear head comes with an extra stout premium ash shaft that measures by 1 1/2" by 71". When fully assembled, the overall length is 82 1/8".

Hunting

At a total weight of 4 1/4 lbs, our boar spear makes a formidable hunting arm. Its 13 1/2" long blade can be easily driven (or thrown at close range) through the toughest muscle, hide, or even bone. And its twin 2 7/8" wide edges, when fully sharpened, cut a tremendous wound channel capable of felling any animal in North America.

Self Defense

While just about impossible to conceal on one's person, the boar spear can still be a highly effective weapon, even against attackers armed with firearms. You see, 50% of all firearm assaults occur at slightly beyond arm's reach and full 90% occur within 21 ft. At these close ranges, a man defending himself with our boar spear only has to take a single lunging step to impale an attacker ten feet away! And, with practice, the boar spear can easily be accurately thrown 21 ft. or more to counter 90% of all armed attacks.



From Our Mailbox...

Thanks for making the Boar Spear. With your spears I was able to make a dream come true, of harvesting a wild boar by spear. The Boar Spear is probably most effective when thrown hard from short ranges.

—D. Clark, Columbus, OH



"...I've killed many boars in my life with shotgun, rifle, pistol and compound bow. I've killed a 175 lb. boar the with the Assegai and a 170 lb. boar with the Boar Spear. My latest hunt was on February 2, 1996 at the Head Hunters Wild Hog Hunts in Steinhatchee, Florida. I killed a 400 lb. plus spotted boar with the Boar Spear. It was the fastest kill I ever had, the greatest adrenaline rush..."

— F. Arnold, Seminole, FL



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ER¹ Emergency Rescue Knife

Emergency Rescue is a regular occurrence for Police, Fire and Paramedic personnel. And emergency situations on land and sea often require an extra sharp knife.

The ER1 was designed with this in mind. It features a patented sliding lock mechanism that offers an easily accessible blade in a very safe package. When closed, the razor-sharp blade is locked securely inside a tough Zytel® housing.

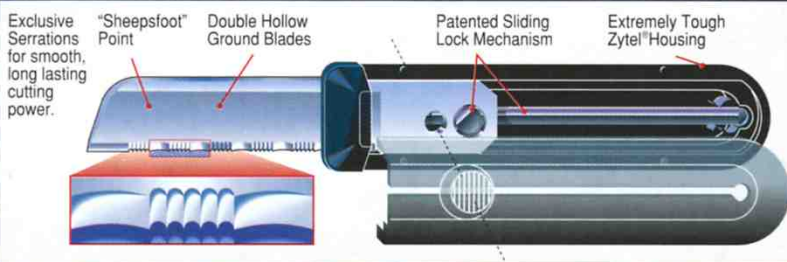
To open: simply slide the button forward until it snaps into place. Once in the open position the ER1 has been laboratory certified to withstand at least 50 lbs of pressure on the point without collapsing and yet the whole package weighs a feather-light 1.6 ounces!

The blade is hollow ground like a straight razor and has our exclusive serration pattern for smooth long-lasting cutting power. As an added safety feature, the ER1 has a "sheepsfoot" point. This is particularly useful in accident situations for cutting away seat belts or heavy clothing, where a more pointed blade is less desirable.



**Hanging
by a
Thread!**

Here, Lynn Thompson almost severed a one inch thick free hanging rope, with a single swipe from his ER1. This knife offers unbelievable cutting power in a feather light package.



Specifications:
#32NS The ER¹
Blade Length: 3" Handle: 4"
Body: Zytel® Weight: 1.6oz
Steel: AUS 8A Stainless (2mm thick)