

COLT NEW FRONTIER 22 LR/22 WMR, \$650

GUN TESTS GRADE: B

The Colt has the pleasing lines of the gun that won the West, but with a lighter tariff and smaller frame. The Colt showed excellent fit and finish throughout.

SPECIFICATIONS

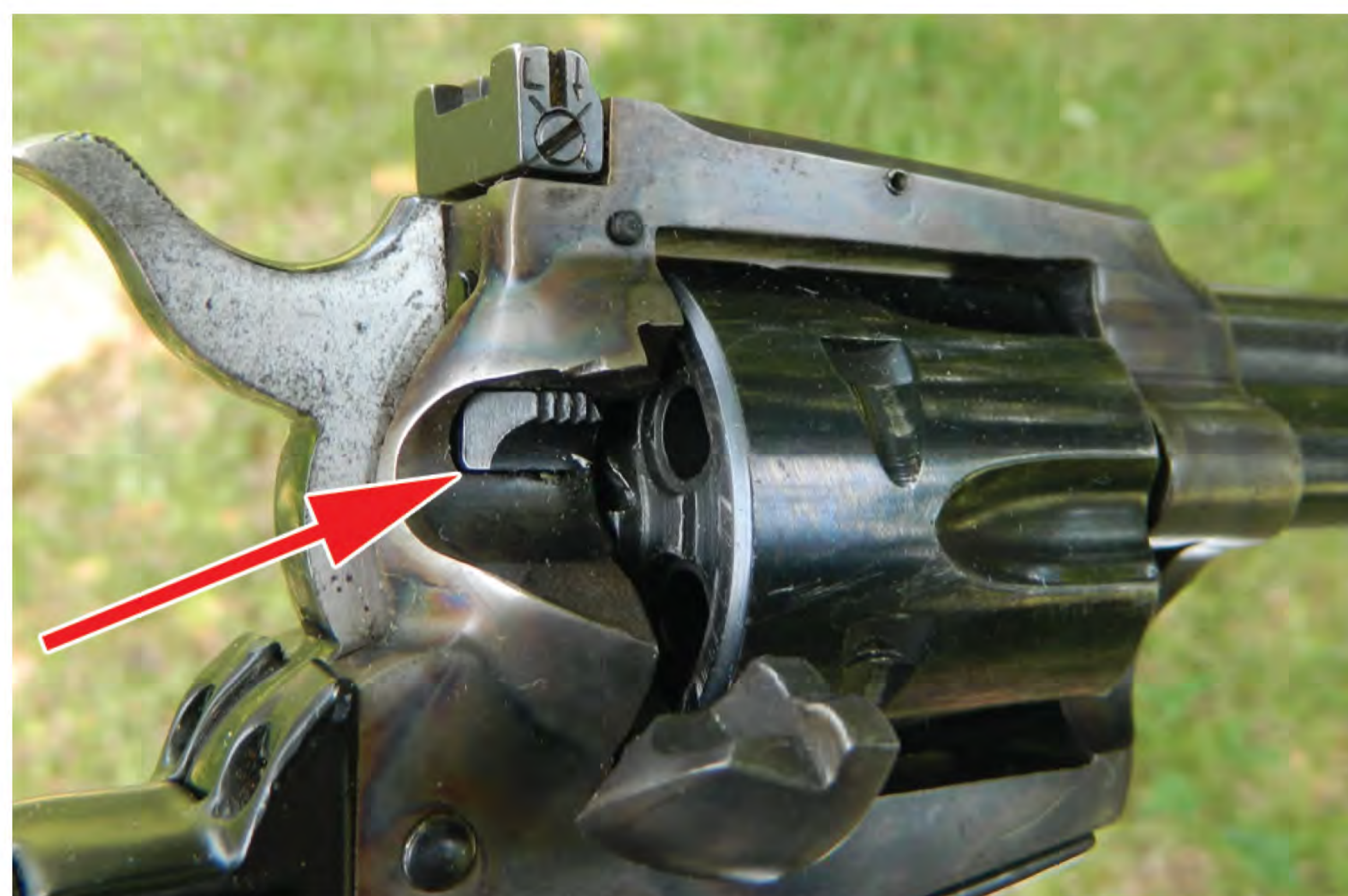
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| Overall Length..... | 8.9 in. |
| Barrel Length..... | 4.75 in. |
| Sight Radius..... | 6.0 in. |
| Overall Height..... | 4.0 in. |
| Front Strap Height..... | 2.1 in. |
| Back Strap Height..... | 3.0 in. |
| Weight Unloaded..... | 38.0 oz. |
| Weight Loaded..... | 42.0 oz. |
| Capacity..... | 6 rounds |
| Maximum Width..... | 1.4 in. |
| Grip Thickness (Max)..... | 1.5 in. |
| Grip Circumference (Max)..... | 5.6 in. |
| Frame..... | Steel |
| Cylinder..... | Steel |
| Barrel..... | Steel |
| Grip..... | Plastic |
| Trigger Pull Weight Single Action..... | 6.0 lbs. |
| Trigger Span Single Action..... | 2.8 in. |
| Warranty..... | Limited Lifetime |
| Telephone..... | (800) 962-2658 |
| Website..... | www.ColtMfg.com |
| Manufactured in..... | USA |



Above: The case hardened receiver and black plastic grips give the Colt a period look that many shooters appreciate. But the revolver has many modern features. The frame size and the mid-length barrel all made for a very pleasant handgun to handle and fire.



Right: This Colt has a safety block incorporated into a few revolvers. The odd sliding block safety (arrow) was fitted to a handful of later Colts.



Right: This long barrel Colt was not extensively tested, but it is also a very nice revolver that is worth owning and using. The



Colt New Frontier was introduced in 1970 and discontinued in 1977, although there was a short run a few years later. The Ruger was modified to accept a spare cylinder in 22 Winchester Magnum Rimfire after the 22 Magnum was introduced, a step followed by Colt.