

REMINGTON 597 SS 26565 22 LR, \$283

Gun Tests grade: B+

Lean and clean was the Remington 597 SS. The stainless barrel will appeal to a lot of shooters. If you don't need stainless, the blued version of this neat rifle costs a lot less than our test rifle. We came to like the 597 a lot, though not quite as much as the far cheaper and just as accurate Marlin.



SPECIFICATIONS

OVERALL LENGTH	38.4 IN.	ACTION TYPE	SEMIAUTOMATIC
BARREL LENGTH.....	20.0 IN.	BARREL FINISH.....	MATTE STAINLESS
SIGHT RADIUS.....	15.3 IN.	MAGAZINE TYPE	DETACHABLE BOX
OVERALL HEIGHT.....	7.6 IN.	STOCK	GRAY POLYMER
LOP.....	14.1 IN.	TRIGGER PULL WEIGHT.....	6.1 LBS.
WEIGHT UNLOADED.....	5.4 LB.	WARRANTY	TWO-YEAR LIMITED
CAPACITY.....	10+1	TELEPHONE	(800) 243-9700
ACTION FINISH.....	MATTE GRAY	WEBSITE OR EMAIL.....	WWW.REMINGTON.COM

The bolt stayed open after the last shot, like the Marlin's. But there was no way to lock it open easily, other than by sticking your finger into the mag well and fishing for the lever. Workmanship and attention to details were excellent on the Remington. The action had grooves for a tip-off mount, and also was drilled for a scope rail.



Remington went to the trouble to match the color of the action with that of the barrel. The trigger guard is polymer, as is the mag well. To remove the 10-round mag, tug rearward on the sliding button just in front of the trigger guard. The bolt moved very smoothly here, and the



We liked this sight's adjustments best of the trio, though it didn't give us the best sight picture overall. Elevation was by an Allen screw that pinched the assembly onto the ramp. Windage was by a screw just in front of the blade. Though this required tools, once set, the sights stayed put. There was no beating the sight from side to side for windage, which the other two rifles required.

