

STEYR JEFF COOPER SCOUT 308 WINCHESTER, \$2975

GUN TESTS GRADE: A

The Jeff Cooper Steyr Scout is distinguished by its gray color and the Cooper logo on the right side of the butt. This rifle was more than a pound lighter than the Ruger, both loaded with 10 rounds. The Steyr can be configured to hold two 10-round magazines instead of two fives, as pictured. This original-production rifle came in a sturdy hard case along with extensions to alter the pull length.



SPECIFICATIONS

Overall Length.....	38.5 in.	Weight Unloaded.....	7.1 lbs.	Magazine Type.....	2 Detachable, 5- & 10-rd
Barrel Length.....	19 in.	Weight Loaded (10 Rds., No Sling).....	7.6 lbs.	Stock.....	Synthetic
Sight Radius.....	14.2 in.	Capacity (Two Magazines).....	10 or 20 Rounds	Trigger Pull Weight.....	2.7 lbs.
Overall Height.....	7.8 in.	Action Finish.....	Matte Blued	Warranty.....	None Written
Length of Pull.....	12.5 in.	Action Type.....	Bolt	Telephone.....	(205) 655-8299
		Barrel Finish.....	Matte Blued	Website.....	www.SteyrArms.com

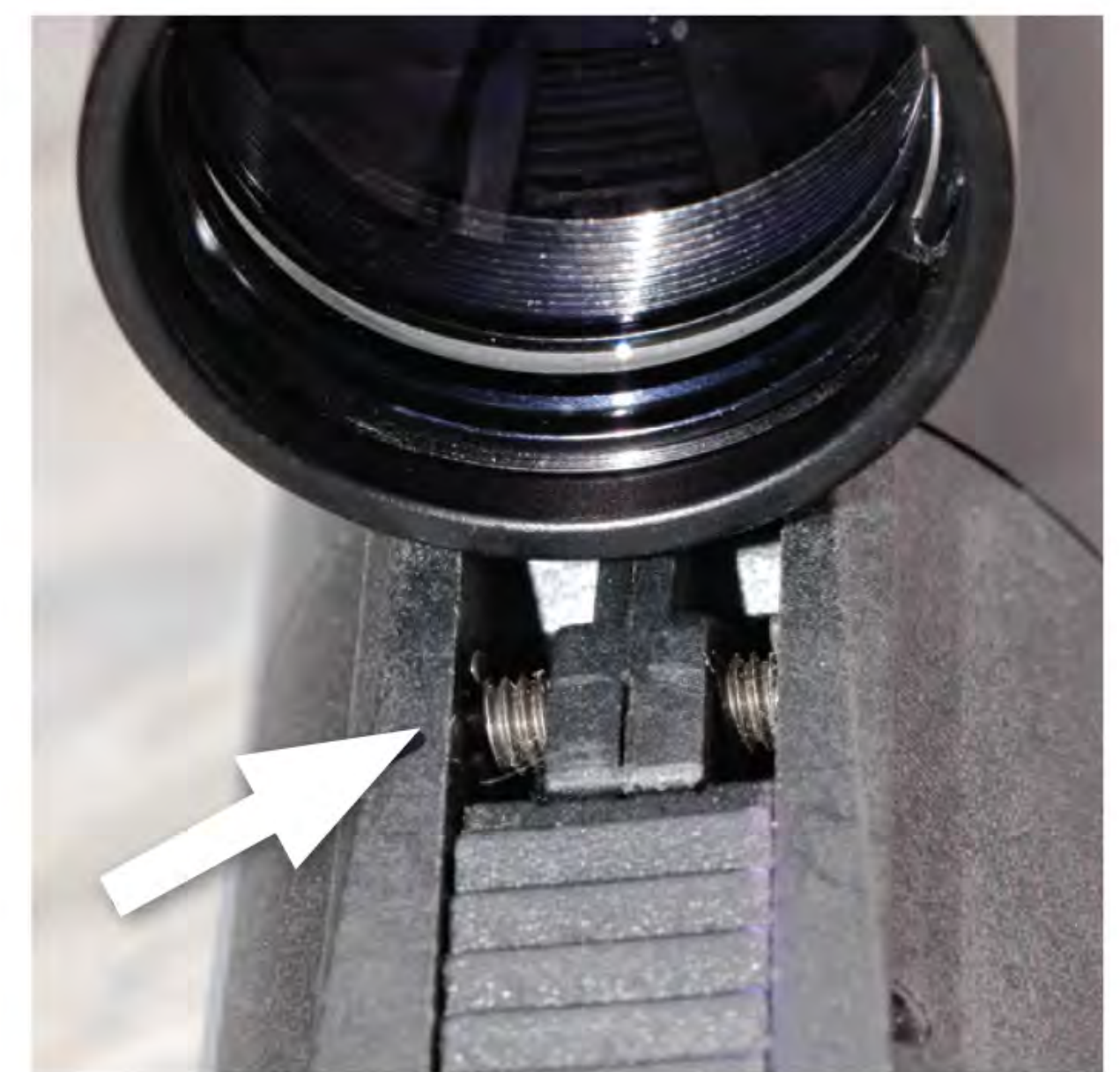


One of the nicest features of this fairly costly rifle is the integral bipod. The legs, part of the forend, fold down with the push of a button. They can be stowed very quickly. The rifle has 30 degrees of cant with the bipod deployed, to make up for uneven terrain. The bipod also works well for just setting the rifle down in the field.

In this position the magazine is out of the travel of the bolt, permitting shooting one round and loading another manually. A quick rap on the magazine seats it fully, as shown in the second photo.



Left: The folding rear aperture pops up with the flick of a fingernail. It's adjustable for elevation. The arrow at right points to the forward post sight on the Steyr Scout. It's adjustable for windage.



The butter knife-style bolt knob was reminiscent of the early Mannlicher Schoenauer, and the bolt was almost as slick. In the photo at left, the safety is in the fully rearward position, and the bolt handle has been pressed downward toward the stock. The bolt cannot be opened nor the rifle fired from this setting. To release the bolt, press down on the safety button and roll the safety forward, making it cocked and locked. The little button sticking out of the rear of the bolt shroud is a cocking indicator.

