



**Charles Daly HP 9mm,
\$550 MSRP, \$350 Street
GUN TESTS GRADE: B-**

So, do we miss the discontinued Daly HP? Not at all. If it had, in fact, been a redesign, featuring all the nice things that custom pistolsmiths add to it, then yes, we'd miss it. The price

was right, we thought, being a huge saving over the Browning. Quality, so far as we could see, was at least adequate, and some tuning could improve on that. If you want a Hi-Power for about half of what a used Browning will cost you, we think the Daly HP is a very reasonable way to go. It's a good gun, but by no means a great one. It might be a great start for a complete custom handgun, though.



**Stoeger Cougar 8000
9mm, \$449 MSRP,
\$390 Street
GUN TESTS GRADE: A**

We thought the Stoeger Cougar 8000 was a very well made, reliable, and reasonably priced handgun. If you want, or need, a DA/SA 9mm, we suggest you look mighty hard at this one. The price is reasonable, we thought. The workman-

ship was excellent, the accuracy was at least acceptable, and the design was very interesting. Spare 15-shot magazines (part no. J80424) are available from Beretta for \$20. We suggest you get an aftermarket magazine-loading aid, if you can find one. You'll need it, because you are going to love shooting this interesting pistol.

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