

# GUN TESTS VALUE GUIDE: SMALL 45 ACP SELF-DEFENSE GUNS

GUN NAME	ISSUE	GRADE & COMMENTS
<b>Springfield Armory XD45 Compact XD9645HCSP06 45 ACP, \$589</b>	July 2007	<b>Grade A:</b> Concealable and easy to control, it was fun to shoot, too.
<b>Taurus Millennium PT145 Pro SS No. 145SSP 45 ACP, \$421</b>	January 2007	<b>Grade A (Best Buy):</b> Not the top target gun, but it could prove to be the best street fighter.
<b>Glock 30SF 45 ACP, \$687</b>	August 2008	<b>Grade A-:</b> One of the easiest-to-shoot 45s. Good value with night sights and accessory rail.
<b>Kimber SIS Ultra 45 ACP, \$1316</b>	August 2008	<b>Grade B+:</b> Snag free, if not too slippery under certain conditions. Good concealable match to a full-size 1911.
<b>Colt CC0 45 ACP, \$1250</b>	Feb. 2009	<b>Grade B:</b> Accuracy was very good, and impact was right on the money.
<b>Taurus PT24/7 45-BP-12 45 ACP, \$503</b>	July 2007	<b>Grade B:</b> Superb ergonomics. Most buyers will learn to shoot this pistol well despite its long and vague trigger.
<b>S&amp;W M457 No. 104804 45 ACP, \$711</b>	Sept. 2007	<b>Grade B:</b> Controls may be unnecessarily complicated, but so much is right with the way it fits the hand.
<b>Springfield Armory Loaded Ultra Comp PX9161LPLP 45 ACP, \$1031</b>	August 2008	<b>Grade B-:</b> This gun was supposed to bridge the gap between backup and primary pistol, but we wanted more accuracy.
<b>Glock G36 45 ACP, \$620</b>	Sept. 2007	<b>Grade C+:</b> A handful, thus the C+. But Glock aficionados might rate the gun a B+.
<b>Kahr TP4543 45 ACP, \$697</b>	Sept. 2007	<b>Grade C:</b> If you can dedicate yourself to this pistol, you might rate it much higher.
<b>Kahr PM4543 45 ACP, \$855</b>	Feb. 2009	<b>Grade F:</b> There were many malfunctions, and we were not inadvertently breaking our wrist to cause them.

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