

BROWNING HI-POWER MK III NO. 051002393 9MM, \$979

GUN TESTS GRADE: D

Yep, it's a classic Hi-Power, but with an epoxy finish. It's a single-action gun that can be carried cocked and locked. But the trigger was all of 10 pounds, not what you'd expect on a \$1000 handgun. Workmanship was generally excellent, and the gun was smooth, but all the spring forces were high. The gun still won't fire with the 13-round magazine removed, a holdover from 1935. We found accuracy to be wanting.

SPECIFICATIONS

OVERALL LENGTH	7.8 IN.
OVERALL HEIGHT.....	5.0 IN.
BARREL LENGTH.....	4.7 IN.
SIGHT RADIUS.....	5.3 IN.
FRONT STRAP HEIGHT.....	2.3 IN.
BACK STRAP HEIGHT.....	3.4 IN.
WEIGHT UNLOADED.....	32 OZ.
CAPACITY	13+1
MAXIMUM WIDTH.....	1.4 IN.
GRIP THICKNESS (MAX).....	1.4 IN.
GRIP CIRCUMFERENCE (MAX).....	5.6 IN.
FRAME.....	MATTE-BLACK STEEL
BARREL.....	STAINLESS STEEL
SLIDE.....	MATTE-BLACK STEEL
GRIP.....	BLACK PLASTIC
TRIGGER PULL WEIGHT SINGLE ACTION.....	10.0 LBS.
TRIGGER PULL WEIGHT DOUBLE ACTION.....	N/A



TRIGGER SPAN SINGLE ACTION	3.2 IN.
TRIGGER SPAN DOUBLE ACTION.....	N/A
WARRANTY	NONE WRITTEN
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Unlike the 1911, the Hi-Power comes apart very easily into this collection of well-made parts. There was a firing-pin lock that prevents the gun from firing until the trigger is pressed.



The arrow points to a spring that sticks out of the Browning Hi-Power's 13-round magazine. This flings the magazine out of the gun when the mag release is pressed. The other magazine is from the Daly HP. They interchange and work in the other gun. If you want Browning mags for your Daly, they're \$70 each, and are made in Italy.

Left: There was not even the slightest hint of breaking the sharp corners of the magazine well.

Every time we inserted a magazine, it caught on the front edge. While this treatment looks nice, it has no place on a fighting handgun.

