

plaud the dead black finish given by Parkerizing, but there are other finishes that give the same appearance, yet are more durable. (In fairness, they are also more costly.) The trigger pull of our test gun was creepy and too heavy, and it, along with the other items just mentioned, will need to be fixed before this gun is fully modern.

Another big problem with the Colt was that the trigger pull mysteriously became very hard, every so often. The nominal pull was about 5 pounds, but occasionally it would require an estimated 8 to 10 pounds to get the gun to go off. This happened to several of our shooters. Eventually the gun sorted itself out and the problem disappeared. In spite of a gritty and heavy trigger pull, our 1991 Colt shot quite well. The Colt shot 1.9-inch groups on average. It put five into 1.2 inches with the Winchester ball ammo. The Colt really didn't like the Blazer ammo, not because of mediocre accuracy but because the blunt-nose 200-grain fodder

**Colt Model 1991A1 Series 80**

Retail Price...\$556



*The Colt had function problems.*

**SPECIFICATIONS**

Warranty: 1 Year

|                      |            |                          |          |
|----------------------|------------|--------------------------|----------|
| METAL FINISH .....   | Parkerized | SIGHT RADIUS .....       | 6.4 in.  |
| WEIGHT (EMPTY) ..... | 36.9 oz.   | CAPACITY .....           | 7+1 rds. |
| OVERALL LENGTH ..... | 8.7 in.    | GRIP MATERIAL .....      | Rubber   |
| OVERALL HEIGHT ..... | 5.4 in.    | ACTION TYPE .....        | SA       |
| MAX. WIDTH .....     | 1.4 in.    | TRIGGER PULL WT. ....    | 4.4 lbs. |
| BARREL LENGTH .....  | 5 in.      | TRIGGER PULL REACH ..... | 3.3 in.  |

**Our recommendation: Don't buy it.**

wouldn't feed reliably. We had three failures to feed within a dozen rounds

with that ammo, and would never use it if we owned this gun. The Colt worked well with all other types of ammo we tried.

**Accuracy/Chronograph Data**

|                                 | Springfield Model 1911-A1 | Colt M1991A1 Series 80 | Kimber Classic Custom | Glock Model 21 |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| <b>Winchester 230-gr. FMJ</b>   |                           |                        |                       |                |
| Average Velocity, 10 ft         | 838 fps                   | 832 fps                | 842 fps               | 816 fps        |
| Standard Deviation              | 5 fps                     | 6 fps                  | 7 fps                 | 5 fps          |
| Muzzle Energy                   | 350 ft-lbs                | 350 ft-lbs             | 350 ft-lbs            | 330 ft-lbs     |
| Smallest Group, 15 yds.         | 1.4 in.                   | 1.2 in.                | 1.5 in.               | 1.5 in.        |
| Largest Group Size              | 1.8 in.                   | 2.2                    | 2.4 in.               | 1.7 in.        |
| Average Group Size              | 1.6 in.                   | 1.7 in.                | 2.0 in.               | 1.6 in.        |
| <b>Speer Lawman 230-gr. FMJ</b> |                           |                        |                       |                |
| Average Velocity, 10 ft.        | 855 fps                   | 864 fps                | 849 fps               | 836 fps        |
| Standard Deviation              | 4 fps                     | 6 fps                  | 5 fps                 | 10 fps         |
| Muzzle Energy                   | 365 ft-lbs                | 365 ft-lbs             | 365 ft-lbs            | 350 ft-lbs     |
| Smallest Group, 15 yds.         | 3.5 in.                   | 1.2 in.                | 1.5 in.               | 3.3 in.        |
| Largest Group Size              | 3.9 in.                   | 1.6 in.                | 2.5 in.               | 2.0 in.        |
| Average Group Size              | 3.7 in.                   | 1.4 in.                | 2.0 in.               | 2.8 in.        |
| <b>CCI Blazer 200-gr. JHP</b>   |                           |                        |                       |                |
| Average Velocity, 10 ft.        | 937 fps                   | 939 fps                | 930 fps               | 881 fps        |
| Standard Deviation              | 10 fps                    | 14 fps                 | 15 fps                | 20 fps         |
| Muzzle Energy                   | 390 ft-lbs                | 390 ft-lbs             | 390 ft-lbs            | 345 ft-lbs     |
| Smallest Group, 15 yds.         | 2.0 in.                   | 2.4 in.                | 1.3 in.               | 1.5 in.        |
| Largest Group Size              | 2.7 in.                   | 2.8 in.                | 2.1 in.               | 1.7 in.        |
| Average Group Size              | 2.3 in.                   | 2.6 in.                | 1.7 in.               | 1.6 in.        |

**Glock 21**

**Our recommendation: If you aren't wedded to 1911-type guns, you will be impressed with this full-size .45 at \$668. We were. We thought its accuracy and great reliability more than offset its squarish look. If it's your only gun, you can get used to the trigger, though you will never shoot it as fast with the same accuracy as you could a 1911.**

The 10-shot Glock is here to stay, and it's a proven winner. Grab a Glock after shooting a 1911 for a