

SMITH & WESSON MODEL 1012 NO. 822302 3-INCH 12 GAUGE, \$630

GUN TESTS GRADE: A-

We liked the slim feel of this stock, and our testers admired the gun's ability to handle both the sporting clays target loads and 3-inch steel shells. Needed a trigger job.



SPECIFICATIONS

OVERALL LENGTH 48.0 IN.
 BARREL LENGTH..... 28.0 IN.
 VENTILATED RIB³/₈ IN., TRUGLO FRONT; METAL MIDBEAD
 DROP @ COMB..... 1.25 IN.
 DROP @ HEEL 2.25 IN.

LENGTH OF PULL 14.25 IN.
 WEIGHT (UNLOADED)..... 6.5 LBS.
 CAPACITY 4+1
 CHOKE TUBES..... C, IC, IM M, F
 ACTION FINISH BLACK
 BARREL FINISH BLACK

STOCK..... BLACK COMPOSITE
 FOREARM BLACK COMPOSITE
 TRIGGER PULL WEIGHT..... 7.0 LBS.
 WARRANTY LIFETIME
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Easy to disassemble, clean and reassemble, we liked the simplicity of the Smith & Wesson. Included in this picture of parts are four of the five chokes provided as part of the package—another plus for the potential buyer—and the choke wrench.



Although the receiver of the Smith & Wesson is another of the slim-and-trim features of the shotgun, we were concerned about the accessibility of the small bolt-lock lever on the front of the trigger guard. Utilizing the feature might be a little difficult when wearing gloves during hunting.



We liked the thin feel and full curve of the pistol grip. Note how the grip extends well down to below the bottom of the stock, providing a comfortable fit for our test team. The lowest drop at the heel of the trio, 2.25 inches, was no problem for our shooting team.