

BROWNING BPS STALKER COMPOSITE NO. 012212305 3-INCH 12 GAUGE, \$500

GUN TESTS GRADE: A-

This gun wasn't discounted much off its new-gun MSRP of \$579, and perhaps for good reason—we liked nearly everything about it. It might not be the best choice as a home-defense gun—the shorter Winchester is probably a better choice for that—but on balance, it did well in the field and on the range, and wouldn't be bad in the home, if it came to that.



SPECIFICATIONS

OVERALL LENGTH	46.5 IN.
BARREL LENGTH.....	26.0 IN.
DROP @ COMB.....	1.25 IN.
DROP @ HEEL.....	2.25 IN.
LENGTH OF PULL.....	14.0 IN.
WEIGHT (UNLOADED).....	7.25 LBS.

WEIGHT (LOADED 3-INCH).....	8.0 LBS.
CAPACITY	3+1
CHAMBER SIZE.....	2.75 & 3 IN.
CHOKES	M (CHOKE TUBE)
RIB	5/16 IN. VENTILATED
ACTION FINISH	BLACK
BARREL FINISH	BLACK

STOCK.....	BLACK COMPOSITE
FOREARM.....	BLACK COMPOSITE
TRIGGER PULL WEIGHT.....	6.0 LBS.
WARRANTY.....	USED GUN
TELEPHONE.....	(800) 333-3288
WEBSITE.....	WWW.BROWNING.COM
MADE IN.....	JAPAN, IMPORTED TO U.S.A



Above: By far the easiest safety to manage in this trio, the slide on the top of the Browning receiver is also easy to see and works for either right-handed shooters or lefties. Combined with the bottom-ejection system, this is truly an ambidextrous shotgun.



Above: The Hi-Viz red sight on the front of the Browning was a sharp contrast to the silver beads used on both the Winchester and Remington models in our test group. While not really a factor for wingshooting, the red sight did provide a better platform for acquiring paper targets.



Top: The smooth-sided receiver of the Browning, arrow, compared to the right-eject ports of the Winchester and Remington guns, suggests that ejection takes place elsewhere on the Stalker. **Bottom:** Both the loading port and the ejection of spent shells occur in the bottom of the Browning action, making this pump was the only one of the trio that could be handled with ease by either right handers or left handers.