GUN TESTS VALUE GUIDE: FULL-SIZE POLYMER 45-CAL PISTOLS

GUN NAME	ISSUE	GRADE & COMMENTS
Smith & Wesson M&P 45 45 ACP, \$619	Jan. 2008	Grade A-: Impressive fit, finish, and cosmetics. Ambidextrous. Had 1911-style ambi safety paddles.
Springfield Armory XD45 Service XD9661HCSP 45 ACP, \$571	July 2008	Grade A-: The XD45 with thumb safety did everything it promised. Good value in a home-defense pistol.
FNH USA FNP45 USG No. 47938 45 ACP, \$780	April 2009	Grade A-: 15+1 round capacity rivaled the highest-cap 9mm pistols. We liked the way it handled cocked and locked.
Glock G38 45 GAP, \$685	Jan. 2009	Grade B+: The G38 was a good fit for our hands, and 45 GAP produces a lot of power in a short barrel.
Glock 21 SF 45 ACP, \$635	Jan. 2008	Grade B+: Grip angle allowed the gun to come onto target quickly. Recovered the best during combat shooting.
Smith & Wesson M&P45 109107 45 ACP, \$743	July 2008	Grade B: The M&P45 shot well enough and was reliable. Small complaints should be easily cured.
H&K USP Tactical 45 ACP, \$1235	Jan. 2008	Grade C-: It lacks capacity and doesn't point as well as some of the other guns.
Taurus OSS 24/7-OSSDS45B 45 ACP, \$623	July 2008	Grade F: Malfunctions and flyers spoiled the show. But this design could be very successful.

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