

**WINCHESTER MODEL SUPER X
BLACK SHADOW NO. 51225192 12 GAUGE, \$430
GUN TESTS GRADE: A-**

A smooth-handling shotgun with a slick action that reminded us of the Model 12, this pump is both inexpensive and a quality product. Time will tell if the SXP will hold up as well as the Model 12, but out of the box, this is our go-to slide action.



Action Type.....	Pump
Chamber Size	2.75 to 3.5 in.
Overall Length.....	49.0 in.
Overall Height	6.25 in.
Capacity.....	3 or 4+1
Weight (Unloaded).....	7.0 lbs.
Barrel Length.....	28 in.
Barrel.....	Matte Black
Choke Tubes	Investor Plus Black; IC, M, F
Buttstock	Black Synthetic, Textured
Buttstock Length of Pull	13.75 in.
Buttstock Drop @ Comb.....	1.4 in.
Buttstock Drop @ Heel	2.0 in.
Forearm	Black Synthetic, Textured
Forearm Length	11.5 in.
Front Bead	Brass
Trigger Pull Weight	8.0 lbs.
Warranty	Unwritten
Telephone.....	(800) 945-5237
Website.....	WinchesterGuns.com
Made In.....	Turkey



The action release button at the back of the trigger guard could be easily accessed by our right-handed shooters, but would require a little maneuvering by lefties. We also would recommend a trip to the gunsmith to lighten the trigger, which was a stiff 8 pounds.



By at least two inches, this was the longest forearm of the shotguns in the test trio, and we really liked the feel and handling ability. The textured surface provided a very sure grip, even when wearing gloves.



Easy to disassemble and assemble, the Winchester still provided a solid lock-up in the receiver despite the short connection that did not extend into the chamber like the Weatherby and Browning.



Above right, and above: The texture on the pistol grip made this stock stand out as easy to hold and control. Felt recoil was also lighter, despite the Winchester tipping the scales at only 7 pounds.