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Featured Product

IBA Stainless Steel Recoil Lug



IBA M700 Remington enhanced recoil lug for use in building custom rifles with trued receivers. Lugs available in .3120, .3130, and .3140 thickness.

Made from stainless steel and precision ground to exacting specifications.

IBA Price: \$30.00 + Shipping

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Dear Customers,

Iron Brigade Armory would like to take the time to thank all of you that serve, protect, and defend our country and everyday life. We will do everything that we can to continue serving you by providing gear and rifles that we are proud of. We are proud supporters of our military and law enforcement members! Have a Happy and Safe July 4th.

Thank You for All That You Do,
Your Iron Brigade Family

Promoting Our Freedom!

For the month of July you can purchase the Whitefeather Trio at a blow out price! You will get a copy of the only authorized biography of Gunnery Sergeant Carlos Hathcock II, a Carlos Hathcock (Long Trang) Hat, and a Carlos Hathcock (Long Trang) T-Shirt your choice of size (S-2XL).

Promotion Cost: \$65.00 + Shipping

Retail Price: \$86.00 + Shipping

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Colonel's Corner

Lt. Col. Norman A. Chandler II, USMC RET
CEO and Founder of Iron Brigade Armory



To all Riflemen-everywhere:

The world is a mess. In 1994 I made a prediction that we would soon face the problem of 'too many people-not enough gear'. I guess I was right. Five or

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six years ago, I began to tell close friends and customers to buy ammunition. I guess I was right again. The current ammunition crisis is here for a long time. Pricing will remain unstable and general availability will be moderate to non-existent. Let's get one thing clear-THERE IS NO AMMUNITION CONSPIRACY. If you believe that, get a cold glass of water and have a seat because you need rest.

The ammunition companies are busting their butts to deliver all they can but ARE focusing on the top selling calibers of need. The shortage of .380 ammo is laughable but real. When was the last time you went to the range and guys had their .380's out popping off a box of shells. A real man would tell him to get a .45 -oh well, you get the point. The people buying that stuff failed to buy it years ago when it was available at a reasonable price-guess you could say the same for other calibers too. Then there's the folks that buy ammunition like they do guns. When they see a good deal-they buy it. I would advise you to adopt the same philosophy. Otherwise, sit on the porch and suffer when it comes to crunch time, because it will. I'm not an alarmist but I am a realist.

How many recall the great toilet paper shortage in Florida about 20 years ago? Rocky, my brother called one day from his home in Nokomis and said there was zero TP anywhere because some radio announcer commented on the impending crisis with mans second most important commodity. BY noon on the same day, the stores were wiped out so to speak, and it remained a sales boon for several months. There was no shortage-just everyone waking up and buying the same thing at the same time. So much for just in time deliveries. My recommendation: have 6 months+ of TP in your house. We have a year's supply sitting in the warehouse-it doesn't go bad.

My point-buy the things you need, when they are available and store it up. Educate yourselves on prices and if it's close to a realistic price -BUY IT. Factor in tax and shipping from on line 'deals' and execute the appropriate sale. Don't re-convince yourself that you will get it later at a better price-there might not be 'a later'. Back to ammo-we are in the pits for at least another year plus. Ammo is a commodity and is treated like one by the companies. Fluctuating material prices cause grief with the buyers and eventually the CFO's who are charged with the responsibility of making money for their companies. Companies have to make money or go out of business so they have to make a reasonable profit, and rightly so. We can all debate the price point but the true-free market will decide for you. Cheapskate people have never been admired by me as they don't pay their way, so too bad if they don't like it. They can go without-and if the going gets real hard-they won't make it OR they will be a burden to the rest of us-maybe? The word missing from our society today is responsibility.

The Federal Government CAN NOT handle multiple Katrina like disasters. They could hardly handle that. You Sir, are responsible for your families safety and needs. Most of us have some savings, 401's, life insurance/insurance policies etc. Well, you can't eat those so on to my final point. The next thing to go wrong in the world of America's excesses is-FOOD. How many have heard the old saying that Armies travel on their bellies? Without further comment, you know where I'm going next. The Mormons-[I am not one- but I admire their programs] REQUIRE all church families to have at least a year's worth of food in their home. You can buy decent, freeze dried or dehydrated, meat, fruit to cheese, vegetables in #10 cans. The stuff lasts 20+ years and is actually very tasty. Many of us have eaten Mountain House brand food and this is the same process-just packaged differently. I encourage you to look into this matter and plan accordingly. We do not sell or intend to sell rations so I have no dog in the fight except that I'm interested in the well being of our customers-whom I think are the best on the Planet.

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Contest

Questions for the Colonel
If you have any questions that you would like the Colonel's opinion on please submit them to

info@ironbrigadearmory.com

Your question could be answered in next months Newsletter! If your question is selected you will also receive a free gift from Iron Brigade Armory so please be sure to include a valid email address!

What Do You Think?



Here at IBA we are constantly striving to bring you new items. This month we would like to know if our customer's would be

interested in Children's T-Shirts for the little Sniper in the family! Please give us your feedback and if this item is something you would be interested in we will start ordering them. The above image is a sample the color is subject to change.

Please click on the link below to give us your feedback!

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Check out this video created by two loyal Iron Brigade Armory Supporters. It features the Chandler M40 Long Range Precision Rifle in action.

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XM-3 at 7000' in Idaho owned by Phil Maher Sr.

Submit your best photos of your rifle to us with a description. Each month two pictures will be selected to be our Photos of the Month. If your photo is selected you will receive a free gift from Iron Brigade Armory!

Submit Photos to info@ironbrigadearmory.com Please be sure to submit a valid email address and your name. Winners will be contacted by email.

Meet Your IBA Family



Name: Dwight "Tiny" Briggs
IBA Occupation: I am a Gunsmith with IBA, I am also a part time consultant with Bushmaster Custom Shop. When not working with Military and LE weapons I help local hunting club members prepare their weapons for the upcoming season. Basically I build and repair all military and law enforcement weapons that come to or are ordered from IBA. I started working with IBA part time in 1998, and became a full time employee in the fall of 1999. I retired from the United States Marine Corp in July of 1996 where I was a Rifle Team Equipment Repairman (RTE 2112). That is where I learned my trade as a Gunsmith. After that I worked briefly in construction as a Master Carpenter until I came to IBA.

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