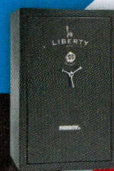




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Ken Onion's Fixed-Blade Hunter for CRKT



Hawaiian knifemaker Ken Onion designed his hunting knife for Columbia River Knife & Tool only after concluding an extensive field-testing program spanning more than five years. He made dozens of custom skinners and gave them to Alaskan guides, professional hunters and taxidermists in exchange for their feedback. He kept modifying the design and sending out more knives, which have now been used to skin more than 60 Alaskan bears and have been proven on deer, elk, moose, antelope, hogs, sheep and cattle.

The result is a knife that works well for skinning, gutting and deboning, as well as the fine-detail cuts preferred by taxidermists and even kitchen and camp chores. It is called the Onion Skinner™.

This knife features a three-quarter tang Bohler K110 stainless steel blade that is high hollow-ground, polished to a satin finish and has a hardness of HRC 58-60. The scales are Twin-Fused™ with a Zytel® core and soft-textured TPR outside. A lanyard is included. The custom leather sheath is molded and fitted to grip the scales.

The Onion Skinner has a thin tip with a slightly convex grind near the tip that minimizes drag. No capping knife is needed for detail work. In addition, the top of the blade has a pronounced “camel hump” that allows the hunter to insert the tip under the skin and rock the hand back, which raises the tip up and away from the paunch.

“Ken Onion designed his skinner by giving prototypes away to guides, professional hunters and taxidermists.”

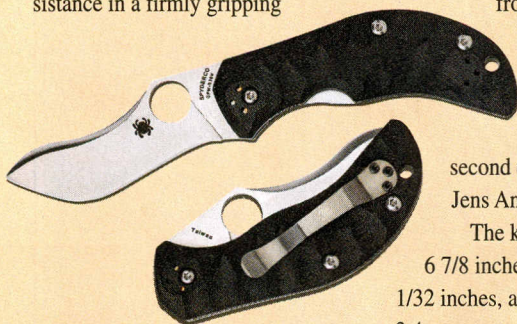
The tip has a straight section at an offset angle. This makes the knife a useful utility and cooking tool around camp. A short 3.75-inch blade length (the same as the length of the average finger) has proven perfect for the pencil grip favored by many hunters.

The Onion Skinner features a handle with a deep finger choil for a better grip in slippery conditions. The suggested retail price is \$79.99. Learn more about the Onion Skinner at www.crkt.com.

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The Zulu by Jens Anso Is a Spyderco CLIPIT

Anso's G-10 Zulu employs the process of chiseling G-10 handle scales to create texture much like a topographical map. These peaks, valleys and ridges provide tactile resistance in a firmly gripping



hand while also presenting a novel appearance.

The Zulu handle contains a Michael Walker LinerLock® and is assembled with screw-together construction.

Its four-way (tip-up/tip-down, left-/right-hand) pocket clip is shaped like an hourglass to lessen wear and abrasion inside a cloth pocket.

The blade is Crucible Steel's CPM-S30V and is scimitar-shaped with a large-radius hollow grind and a tapered spine swedge stretching

from the blade's tip across the spine to the enlarged Spyderco round hole.

This is Spyderco's second collaboration with Jens Anso.

The knife's overall length is 6 7/8 inches, its blade length is 3 1/32 inches, and the knife weighs 3.4 ounces.

For more information, contact Spyderco: P.O. Box 800, Dept KI, Golden, Colorado 80402; 800.525.7770, fax 303.278.2229; www.spyderco.com.

Buck Knives Introduces Three New Lux® Framelocks

Buck Knives brings an elegance and performance to its new series of three lightweight Lux framelock folders. All three have a 2 1/2-inch drop-point blade with a blade flipper for one-hand opening.

The framelock results in a slim handle with less weight than linerlocks. For carrying options, it has a removable deep-pocket clip.

This series offers choices of steels and handles. Top-of-the-line 016 Lux Pro has a titanium-coated S30V stainless steel blade, and



the handle is textured stainless steel coated with carbon fiber and titanium. It weighs only 3.3 ounces and retails for \$125.

With all the same basic features, the 015 Lux Avid has a titanium-coated blade made of 13C26 Sandvik steel and a titanium-coated stainless steel handle. Its retail price is \$75.

The 014 Lux Select has a blade made of Buck's 420HC steel. Its handle features a unique design, is titanium-coated stainless steel and retails for \$57.50.