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KIMBER ADDS NEW 1911s AND MORE FOR 2020

When Kimber Manufacturing introduces a pistol model that becomes popular with the shooting public, it isn't long before the company follows it up with numerous variations. It's no different this year as Kimber announced its new products for 2020 that include more of its popular 1911s and expansions of both its Micro 9 pistol and K6s revolver lines.



No one makes a greater variety of 1911 pistols than Kimber. This year the company is introducing the Rapide Black Ice. This pistol, with attractive two-tone KimPro finish, features stepped cocking serrations, lightening cuts in the slide to speed up lock time, a DLC-coated barrel, flush-fitting magazine well and Tru-Glo TFX Pro Day/Night Sights.

The match-grade trigger is listed as having a 4- to 5-pound pull.

Kimber has also added to its popular Raptor family of hand-

guns with a limited run of models that feature the trademark reptile-like scale pattern on the slide, frame and grip panels. The Raptor Collector Edition will be offered for one year only and will include a Stainless Raptor II 1911; Micro 9 Raptor; and EVO SP Raptor, a new variation of the company's small, striker-fired pistol introduced last year. Each of these guns will come with a two-tone finish and special G10 grip panels. Tritium night sights will be standard on all of them along with a special Collector Series marking on the left side of the slide. All handguns in this special run will



be distinguished by a special serial number prefix.

The Micro 9 is Kimber's miniature 1911-style single-action pistol, and the company is adding two more models to the line: the Amethyst and the Triari. The Micro 9 Amethyst, part of the company's Gem Tone line, will feature a purple PVD-treated slide with laser-engraved border and purple PVD-treated accents on a KimPro II Silvers frame. It will feature purple and black G10 grips, and night sights are standard. The Micro 9 Triari will feature deep relief laser engraving, stacked cube front and rear cocking texturing on the slide, Stiplex texturing on the front strap of the frame and stacked cube texturing on the grip panels.

Three new K6s revolvers have been added to the lineup as well. Combat and Target models are being introduced, each with a 4-inch barrel and external hammer spur for double-action or single-action operation. The Target model comes with an extended grip and a fully adjustable rear sight. The Combat model comes with an extended grip with finger grooves and white-dot sights. Another DASA addition to the



Streamlight's new TLR-7A comes with two switch options.

K6s line is the Texas Edition. This revolver features a 2-inch barrel, ivory G10 grips with the Texas state motto, name and flag and a satin frame with American Western scrollwork engraving. www.KimberAmerica.com

STREAMLIGHT'S NEW TLR-7A OFFERS SWITCH OPTIONS

Now you can get Streamlight's quality rail-mount weapon light with both low or high positioned activation switch options to match your preferred shooting style.

The TLR-7A light provides 500 lumens of threat-identifying white light over a 140-meter distance, perfect for home defense or tactical applications. The new light, packaged as the TLR-7A Flex, comes with ambidextrous high switches already mounted, with an included low switch assembly.

These lights snap easily onto a lower rail from the side without exposing yourself to the weapon's muzzle. You can then tighten the knurled bolt by hand or with a coin, shell casing or the screwdriver on your Swiss Army Knife. An included key kit adapts the light to a multitude of weapons. The light features steady beam and strobe modes. Run time in either mode is 1.5 hours on a single CR2 lithium battery. There's a Safe Off feature too to lock out the switches to prevent accidental activation.

The TLR-7A is constructed with a rugged aluminum housing and is waterproof to one meter for 30 minutes. Its backed by Streamlight's Limited Lifetime Warranty. MSRP: \$225.75. www.Streamlight.com

TRIUMPH SYSTEMS OFFERING NEW TARGETS

Triumph Systems has introduced some fun, new splatter targets. The Visual Vital Home Invader Splatter Target, for instance, is actually three targets in one. First, there's the 16-inch by 12-inch paper target. Plus, there are adhesive splatter stickers to place in various shooting zones over the paper target that give you a visual indicator of your hits from a greater distance. Last, there are splatter target pasties to cover your bullet holes and extend the target's usefulness. A 10-pack is \$15.99.

The company is also offering threat/no threat targets to go with its Pivotal Trainer Turning Target. This target stand with 100-meter wireless controller can be set to automatically present either the threat or "friendly" side of the target at random intervals. There's also a manual mode when training with a partner. It's excellent for instilling quick decision-making while reducing the tendency to anticipate engaging a target. It can be set up on the range for shoot house use. This motorized pivotal training target stand sells for \$549.99.

The company's website is a good source of free downloadable targets too. And if you run out of ammo, Triumph Systems offers its three-pack of Threat Down Yeti Targets to be used with the included throwing hatchet for \$82.99. www.Triumph-Systems.com

Triumph Systems' Home Invader targets come with adhesive splatter target zones.

