

BENELLI SUPERSPORT 12 GAUGE NO. 10635, \$1735

GUN TESTS RECOMMENDS: DON'T BUY

We recognize there is a case for this gun to carry a Conditional Buy or Buy It recommendation, because the Benelli handled well and showed reduced recoil and easy, reliable functioning. But the cheaper Gold was the SuperSport's match, in our view.



SPECIFICATIONS

OVERALL LENGTH	51.0 IN.	RIB WIDTH	3/8 IN. (STEP 3/8 IN. TO 1/4 IN.)
BARREL LENGTH.....	30.0 IN.	ACTION FINISH.....	BLUE & BRUSHED STEEL
DROP @ COMB	1.5 IN.	BARREL FINISH.....	POLISHED BLUE STEEL
DROP @ HEEL.....	2.0 IN.	STOCK	BLACK SYNTHETIC
LENGTH OF PULL	14.0 IN.	FOREARM	BLACK SYNTHETIC
WEIGHT (UNLOADED).....	7.2 LBS.	TRIGGER PULL WEIGHT.....	6.5 LBS.
CAPACITY.....	4+1 ROUNDS	WARRANTY	5-YEAR LIMITED
ACTION TYPE	SEMI-AUTOMATIC, 3 IN. CHAMBER	TELEPHONE	(301) 282-6981
CHOKE TUBES	CYL., IC, M, IM, F	WEBSITE OR EMAIL.....	WWW.BENELLI-USA.COM

The good point of extended tubes (easier to remove) was offset by hard-to-read markings. Patterns with the Modified choke at 30 yards produced a 40/60 shot placement, which means the test gun was shooting low, with 60 percent of the hits below the target center. Both Benelli and Browning should consider providing better choke wrenches for guns marketed as sporting models.



Here is where space-age technology came up a little short, as the pad slipped out of the pocket of several of our test shooters. However, the pad's recoil-handling ability was excellent.

We had no complaints with the Benelli's disassembly; the gun could be taken apart and put back into working condition with ease.

