

SUMMARY TABLE: 12 Gauge 3-inch Magnum Waterfowl Loads

Brand & Load	Retail Price (per round)	Muzzle Velocity 40-Yd. Velocity	Muzzle Energy 40-Yd. Energy	# Pellets In Shell # Pellets In 30"	Pellet Percentage In 30" Circle	Quality of Pattern
Bismuth No-Tox, 1 5/8 oz., #2 (bismuth, buffered)	\$2.14	1,326 fps. 766 fps.*	2,773 ft. lbs. 925 ft. lbs.	138 103	75	Good
Bismuth No-Tox, 1 5/8 oz., BB (bismuth, buffered)	\$2.14	1,396 fps. 743 fps.	3,073 ft. lbs. 870 ft. lbs.	82 65	79	Poor
Federal Prem. Tungsten, 1 1/8 oz., #2 (tungsten, buffered)	\$2.20	1,495 fps. 752 fps.	2,440 ft. lbs. 617 ft. lbs.	106 78	74	Average
Federal Prem. Tungsten, 1 1/8 oz., BB (tungsten, buffered)	\$2.20	1,427 fps. 824 fps.	2,233 ft. lbs. 741 ft. lbs.	62 58	94	Poor
Federal Prem. Steel, 1 1/8 oz., BB (steel, buffered)	\$0.72	1,548 fps. 790 fps.	2,616 ft. lbs. 781 ft. lbs.	81 71	88	Poor
Federal Prem. Steel, 1 1/8 oz., T (steel, buffered)	\$0.72	1,553 fps. 860 fps.*	2,663 ft. lbs. 807 ft. lbs.	58 46	79	Average
Federal Prem. Steel, 1 1/8 oz., T (using Modified choke)	N/A	N/A N/A	N/A N/A	58 50	86	Average
Winchester XX, 1 7/8 oz., BB (lead, copper plated, buffered)	\$0.78	1,173 fps. 827 fps.	2,504 ft. lbs. 1,245 ft. lbs.	94 77	88	Average

*Calculated value. oz.=ounces. yd.=yard. #=number.