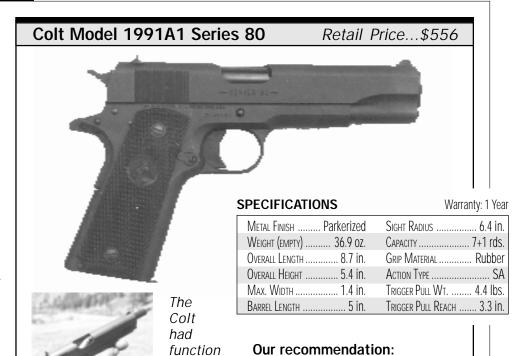
plaud the dead black finish given by Parkerizing, but there are other finishes that give the same appearance, yet are more durable. (In fairness, they are also more costly.) The trigger pull of our test gun was creepy and too heavy, and it, along with the other items just mentioned, will need to be fixed before this gun is fully modern.

Another big problem with the Colt was that the trigger pull mysteriously became very hard, every so often. The nominal pull was about 5 pounds, but occasionally it would require an estimated 8 to 10 pounds to get the gun to go off. This happened to several of our shooters. Eventually the gun sorted itself out and the problem disappeared. In spite of a gritty and heavy trigger pull, our 1991 Colt shot quite well. The Colt shot 1.9-inch groups on average. It put five into 1.2 inches with the Winchester ball ammo. The Colt really didn't like the Blazer ammo, not because of mediocre accuracy but because the blunt-nose 200-grain fodder



Don't buy it.

wouldn't feed reliably. We had three failures to feed within a dozen rounds

problems.

with that ammo, and would never use it if we owned this gun. The Colt

> worked well with all other types of ammo we tried.

Accuracy/Chronograph Data

	Springfield Model 1911-A1	Colt M1991A1 Series 80	Kimber Classic Custom	Glock Model 21
Winchester 230-gr. FMJ				
Average Velocity, 10 ft	838 fps	832 fps	842 fps	816 fps
Standard Deviation	5 fps	6 fps	7 fps	5 fps
Muzzle Energy	350 ft-lbs	350 ft-lbs	350 ft-lbs	330 ft-lbs
Smallest Group, 15 yds.	1.4 in.	1.2 in.	1.5 in.	1.5 in.
Largest Group Size	1.8 in.	2.2	2.4 in.	1.7 in.
Average Group Size	1.6 in.	1.7 in.	2.0 in.	1.6 in.
Speer Lawman 230-gr. FMJ				
Average Velocity, 10 ft.	855 fps	864 fps	849 fps	836 fps
Standard Deviation	4 fps	6 fps	5 fps	10 fps
Muzzle Energy	365 ft-lbs	365 ft-lbs	365 ft-lbs	350 ft-lbs
Smallest Group, 15 yds.	3.5 in.	1.2 in.	1.5 in.	3.3 in.
Largest Group Size	3.9 in.	1.6 in.	2.5 in.	2.0 in.
Average Group Size	3.7 in.	1.4 in.	2.0 in.	2.8 in.
CCI Blazer 200-gr. JHP				
Average Velocity, 10 ft.	937 fps	939 fps	930 fps	881 fps
Standard Deviation	10 fps	14 fps	15 fps	20 fps
Muzzle Energy	390 ft-lbs	390 ft-lbs	390 ft-lbs	345 ft-lbs
Smallest Group, 15 yds.	2.0 in.	2.4 in.	1.3 in.	1.5 in.
Largest Group Size	2.7 in.	2.8 in.	2.1 in.	1.7 in.
Average Group Size	2.3 in.	2.6 in.	1.7 in.	1.6 in.

Glock 21

Our recommendation: If you aren't wedded to 1911type guns, you will be impressed with this full-size .45 at \$668. We were. We thought its accuracy and great reliability more than offset its squarish look. If it's your only gun, you can get used to the trigger, though you will never shoot it as fast with the same accuracy as vou could a 1911.

The 10-shot Glock is here to stay, and it's a proven winner. Grab a Glock after shooting a 1911 for a