Light, fast handling and great value have always been the hallmarks of Franchi shotguns. With new alloys and computer controlled machinery, Franchi remains on the cutting edge and no shotgun exemplifies the 21st Century Franchi more than the I-12 semi-auto. "I" for Inertia Driven™: Franchi has harnessed the power of inertia in a design that is super dependable and versatile enough to digest everything from light field loads to the heaviest 3" magnums. Beautifully styled, the I-12 is stocked with black synthetic, two patterns of Advantage® camo or luxurious satin finished walnut.

Added to the I-12 line for 2006 is the new White Gold. Its nickel receiver is the engraver's canvas and is beautifully adorned with exquisite scenes of animated wildlife, as elegantly composed as a fine painting. The game birds are inlaid with white gold and look as though they could take flight from this I-12's receiver. The White Gold features select grade walnut with plenty of dramatic figure to complement the luxury of the metal work.

Of course there's a lot more from Franchi in 2006. The all-new Renaissance series of over/under shotguns incorporate cutting edge technology in super-light alloys and recoil absorbing gel synthetics. The three grades are embellished with fine engraving from classic game scenes to elaborate motifs with gold filling. The wood is the highest grade of walnut and traditionally oil finished. It's all combined with gorgeous Italian design adding yet another sophisticated masterpiece to the Franchi line. The Renaissance is for the shooter who wants a combination of Franchi technical leadership and the kind of decorative mastery associated with Italy since the Renaissance.



# **NEWTON'S FIRST LAW-**THE LAW OF INERTIA:

"An object at rest tends to stay at rest and an object in motion tends to stay in motion with the same speed and in the same direction unless acted upon by an unbalanced force."

SIR ISAAC NEWTON

"Inertia Driven" is the heart of the Franchi family of semi-automatic firearms and relies upon one of the basic laws of physics: The Law of Inertia. In physics the Law of Inertia states that an object at rest tends to stay at rest; that object, in the Inertia  $\mathsf{Driven}^\mathsf{TM}$ system, is the free-floating bolt. When the gun is fired all of the fixed parts of the gun are propelled rearward by the gun's recoil. In the Inertia Driven<sup>™</sup> system, all of the gun parts are fixed except one — the free-floating bolt. Between the free-floating bolt and the rotary locking head is a short, very stiff inertia spring. When the gun fires, the bolt briefly holds its position as the fixed parts move to the rear, causing the inertia spring to be compressed. As the shot charge leaves the barrel and the rearward force of the gun diminishes, the compressed inertia spring throws the bolt rearward with sufficient force to unlock the rotating bolt head, eject the spent shell and recock the hammer. The recoil spring then returns the bolt, which travels forward picking up and chambering another shell and locking the rotating head back into place. With the Inertia Driven<sup>™</sup> system, the bolt weight and inertia spring power are sufficient to cycle light loads and they have no choice but to function on all heavier loads — it's the law of physics.

# INERTIA SYSTEM



# The old duck club members suspiciously checked out your new Franchi I-12 when

you climbed down into the tank blind. They all shot gas operated semi-autos; one old guy even named his "Old Faithful." You smiled to yourself knowing that your I-12 was Inertia Driven™ and on a day like that, when it was spitting snow and rain you didn't have to worry about burnt powder sludge gumming up your gun's action.

The first big bunch of "red legs" came over high, eyed the spread and came back around.

One of the old guys worked them just right; giving them soft feeding chuckles, luring the ducks lower. They set their wings and committed over the flooded corn. One of the old guys threw down the front of the blind and growled "take 'em."

As the I-12 touched your shoulder, you sent a load of 3-inch No. 2s at a big green head, he shuddered and you hit him again. You swung on another drake that was climbing out and dumped him too. Watching the last mallard fall, you realize you were the only one still shooting.

The old gas guns had only fired twice before jamming.

"Old Faithful" must mean that two out of three ain't bad.

W W W . F R A N C H I U S A . C O M

"I shot the gun offhand and from the bench enough to become convinced that the gel insert in its recoil pad is not there just for looks. I found it quite tolerable to shoot with heavy 3-inch loads."

LAYNE SIMPSON, PETERSEN'S HUNTING



only modern but a ground-up original from the

design team at Franchi.



# **Opening day of the South Dakota**

pheasant season should be a national holiday by your way of thinking. It's turned into a tradition, a couple of the guys flying in, the rest driving. This year there's a new young Lab and one of the guy's 10-year-old son, no gun until he's 12, but he'll help drive. You're a driver; standing around blocking at the end of the field is for the old guys.

Frost is still on the corn stalks as you're making the first drive, five of you spread in a line with the kid making six in the middle, three blockers at the end of the field. The lab is working close; there's a lot of scent in the field, up and down the line: "watch the blockers, let low birds go" and suddenly roosters are busting from cover. You down the first one going straight away and catch a second bird crossing right. The shooting stops, the boy is standing there with one of your pheasants; you slide a couple of shells into the magazine as the kid scans your gun from the white gold inlays to the fancy walnut stock.

You can see it in his eyes; someday he'll be driving and you'll be blocking and there's no doubt in your mind that he'll be shooting a Franchi White Gold semi-auto.

W W W . F R A N C H I U S A . C O M



"The I-12 will handle anything you feed it, from 13/4-ounce, 3-inch turkey loads to 11/8-ounce target loads. As such, I think this new Franchi is a lot of gun for the money."



FULLY EMBELLISHED RECEIVER-LEFT SIDE

Beautifully accented with white gold game birds on a satin nickel receiver, this new Franchi incorporates all of the good looks, light weight and fast-handling features that Franchi is known for, with the World-class dependability of an Inertia Driven™

The White Gold is not only slender, it's perfectly balanced and like all Franchis, the White Gold is light weight; tipping the scales within a few ounces of seven and a half pounds.

To tame recoil, Franchi developed a two-part recoil pad with a special gel insert called the Twin Shock Absorber™. The pad holds its shape during firing, before the gel insert allows the pad to deeply compress, soaking up recoil energy and spreading the kick over the widest area possible. Felt recoil is reduced by as much as 43%.

The new White Gold is one of the prettiest semi-automatic shotguns ever built, with standard features such as AA figured walnut with a classic oil finish, cut checkering and a satin nickel receiver beautifully accented with white gold game birds.



It's the toughest station on the course:

"Darting Doves" – a true pair, through the trees, left to right. You change extended choke tubes as you watch the targets make fools out of your friends.

Sporting clays is speed and timing; you need to take out the first target before the big tree; it's a snap shot, but there's no other way. The Raptor balances naturally as you focus your thoughts, the time is now; you call "pull."

The pair cuts knife blade thin through the trees, but everything's on autopilot. The Raptor comes to your shoulder smoothly as you swing. The tapered rib passes in front of the lead target, you touch the trigger and there's a cloud of dust just before the tree. The recoil is soft, the porting keeps the barrel down and you nail the second clay on the other side with room to spare. The second pair falls the same; the third pair you grind extra-fine.

As you move to the next station, your friends sneak glances at the satin nickel receiver and figured walnut of your Franchi Raptor. It's good to have style, and it's great to be at the top of your game.





The Raptor features a ported barrel to keep muzzle climb at a minimum, to aid second clay acquisition. In between stations the hard chrome extended choke tubes can be unscrewed by hand for a quick change out.







For a distinctive look even while setting in the club gun

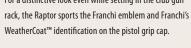
"With the addition of Weather Coat<sup>™</sup> the Raptor is a really good semi-auto that just got better."

GARY JAMES, GUNS & AMMO

The 712 & 720 Raptor operate with a rotary bolt design, which locks up like a high-powered rifle.

> At approximately 7 and 6 pounds respectively, the 712 & 720 Raptors are extremely light and quick handling.

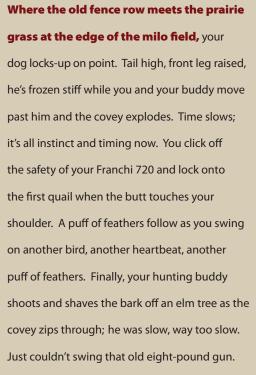
The 712 & 720 Raptor walnut stocks are finished with a five-step process called WeatherCoat™. It not only makes the stock impervious to the harshest weather, but also dramatically enhances the figure and beauty of the walnut.





RAPTOR — 20-GA, 3"





As you hold the feather-light 720 with one hand and accept a bird from your pointer, you see your buddy eyeing the graceful lines of your little 20-gauge. No doubt he would do better with a Franchi 720, but you won't encourage him...who needs the competition?





A rotating bolt head is at the heart of the ultra-reliable Franchi autoloaders. The rotating bolt head locks bank vault tight into the barrel extension. The stress of firing is confined to the barrel and bolt, allowing a lighter receiver.

W W W . F R A N C H I U S A . C O M

"When you pick up the 720 you don't have to look at the name; from the light weight and the feel you know it's a Franchi."

BILL BYNUM, OUTDOOR WRITER

PLACE YOUR FINGER INSIDE THE TRIGGER

GUARD ONLY WHEN YOU ARE READY TO FIRE.



The sunflower fields, three hours south

of the border, are a short drive on Mexican back roads. The sun is just cracking the horizon when you pile out, load your guide up with a case of 28-ga. ammo and pull out your Franchi 48 AL. You set up just in front of the mesquite trees where the doves roost. As you load four in the magazine and one in the chamber, you hear a shot as the first whitewing doves make their appearance. Within thirty minutes the gunfire is constant and whitewings are darting past you right over the trees. It's snap shooting; lighting fast and nonstop. You catch one on a sharp right angle, get a double coming right at you, swing on another pair high and pick up an easy single coming across the field, then it's

As you reload, you can't help but smile thinking about your buddies beating themselves to death with eight-pound 12-gauges. They'll all be sore-shouldered and early to bed, but you're shooting a gun that weighs just a hair over 5 pounds and hardly kicks at all...maybe you'll try a little salsa dancing after dinner tonight.

time to reload.

"Hardcore quail hunters have sworn by that super lightweight 48 AL Franchi 20-ga. for as long as I can remember and will probably be swearing by it long after I'm gone."

DAVID DRAPPER, FIELD EDITOR,

CABELA'S OUTFITTER JOURNAL



A recoiling barrel is the sure sign of a long-recoil autoloader design. On firing, bolt and barrel travel rearward together. As pressure inside the barrel drops, they unlock, and the barrel returns forward under spring pressure. The bolt follows, picking up a fresh shell on its way. When it returns to battery, another shot can be fired immediately.









The standard set of three screw-in tubes, improved cylinder, modified and full, will handle most hunting situations.

Optional cylinder or improved modified tubes are also available.

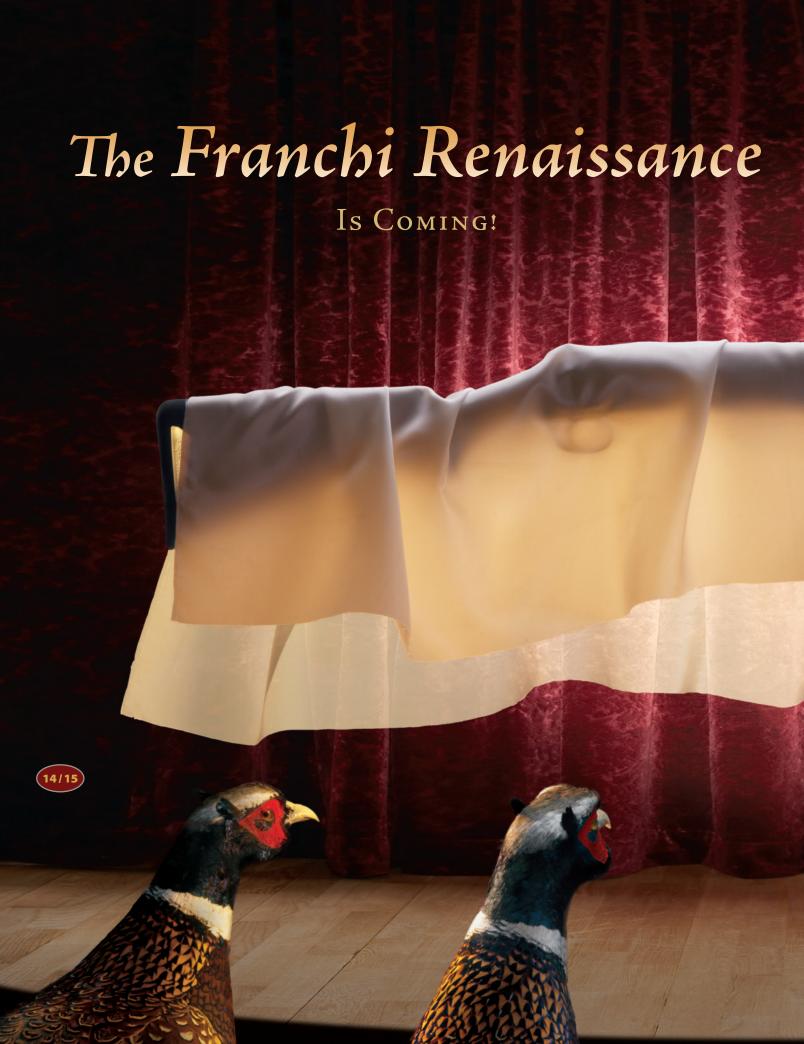
At 5.4 pounds (28-ga.) the 48 AL is the lightest semi-auto on the market.

In its standard configuration the 48 AL has a five-shot capacity.

The 48 AL operates with the tried and true, long-recoil design invented by John Browning.

The 48 AL is available in 20 and 28 gauge, with classic pistol grip and "A" Grade walnut. Additionally the 48 AL also comes as a short stock model with a 12 ½" length-of-pull for young shooters or ladies.

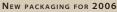






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#### EXTENDED CHOKE TUBES

New for 2006 are two extended field chokes; a pass-shooting choke for long range waterfowl pass shooting (#50992) and an over the decoys waterfowl choke (#50993).



#### TURKEY EXTENDED CHOKE TUBES

Get the drop on that big gobbler with extended choke tubes made especially for todays new turkey loads. The .660 constriction tube (#50970) is designed to throw ultra-dense patterns with lead shot, while the .685 constriction tube is designed to produce superior patterns.

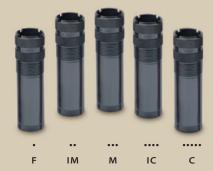






#### STANDARD CHOKE TUBES

Standard, flush-mount choke tubes are available for 12-, 20-, and 28-gauge in cylinder, improved cylinder, modified, improved modified and full.



#### EXTENDED CHOKE TUBES

Perfect for competition, Franchi's knurled extended black oxide finish choke tubes are machined from durable, stainless steel and are available in cylinder, improved cylinder, modified, improved modified and full. (Specify 12- or 20-gauge)





#52024 14 3/8" 14 ¾" Length Length of pull of pull



# #52025

15" Length of pull

#### BUTT PADS

Franchi's TSA (twin shock absorbing) recoil pads feature a special gel insert that can reduce felt recoil by as much as 43%. To adjust from 14 3/8" to 14 3/4" to 15" length-of-pull, the quick change TSA pads come in three thicknesses.



RECOIL REDUCER

Franchi offers a mercury-filled recoil reducer for the synthetic stocked 912, 712 and 612 models. Weighing in at just 13 ounces, the Franchi recoil reducer is installed by simply screwing it onto the existing receiver extension. (No bracket is necessary)



#### #90057

#### FRANCHI HARD CASE

The Franchi hard case is available for all over-unders (#90057) and autoloaders (#90100). It has storage space for choke tubes, wrench and cleaning kit.



#### #90067

#### SINGLE BARREL TAKE-DOWN CASE

Heavy canvas duck and leather trim mean this takedown case will last through years of hunting. A long strap lets you sling it over the shoulder.



#### #90089

#### Double Barrel Take-Down Case

A Boyt-made quilted take-down case is ideal for keeping your over-under protected to and from the hunting field. This one carries a two-barrel set.





# #90085

#### DELUXE HARD CASE

This single barrel English fit hard case, comes with keyed locks and re-enforced corners. Will fit Franchi Over/Unders and most side-by-sides.



### #90088

## FLOATING GUN CASE

The floater case will keep your shotgun above water if it falls out of the boat. It comes in Advantage® Max-4<sup>m</sup> camouflage, perfect for waterfowl hunting.









#### SPORT SHIRT

This classically-styled sport shirt is made of 100% combed cotton. It sports a three-button front, a rib knit collar and cuffs, a durable double-needle construction on all seams, and the Franchi shield logo on the left front. Available in sizes: M, L, XL and XXL.





Shooting hats, embroidered with the Franchi logo, are available in several styles and colors. One size fits all.



# #90042

## COFFEE MUG

Show them you came to win with the Franchi coffee mug. The ceramic Franchi coffee mug is available in green with white Franchi logo.



#### #90041

SEW-ON PATCH

No sporting jacket is complete without the Franchi logo proudly displayed! This Franchi sew-on logo patch is available in green with a white embroidered Franchi logo.





#90055 Lapel Pin

Show your colors with the Franchi lapel pin. Available in green with embossed gold Franchi shield logo.



# SPECIFICATIONS

Specifications subject to change without notice



Stock



Drop at Heel

Drop at Comb

MSRP

Length of Pull

INERTIA I-12

40700 28" Synthetic 4+1 C,IC,M,IM,F Red Bar\* 49" 7.7 lbs. 14%" 21/4" 1½" \$679 47" 40701 26" 4+1 Red Bar\* 7.6 lbs. 14%" 21/4" Synthetic C,IC,M,IM,F 11/2 \$679 40702 24" 4+1 Red Bar\* 45" 7.5 lbs. 14%" 21/4" 1½" Synthetic C,IC,M,IM,F \$679 40703 Red Bar\* \$749 28" Max-4™ 49" 7 7 lbs 14%" 21/4" 11/2 4 + 1C,IC,M,IM,F 40704 26" Max-4™ 4+1 C,IC,M,IM,F Red Bar\* 47" 7.6 lbs. 14%" 21/4" 1½" \$749 40705 28" Timber HD™ 4+1 C,IC,M,IM,F Red Bar\* 49" 7.7 lbs. 14%" 21/4" 1½" \$749 40706 26" Timber HD™ C,IC,M,IM,F Red Bar\* 47" 7.6 lbs. 14%" 21/4" 1½" \$749 40707 24" Timber HD™ 4 + 1C,IC,M,IM,F Red Bar\* 45' 7.5 lbs. 14%" 21/4" 11/2 \$749 40708 28" Satin Walnut 4+1 C,IC,M,IM,F Red Bar\* 49" 7.7 lbs. 14%" 21/4" 1½" \$779 26" Satin Walnut 4+1 C,IC,M,IM,F 47" 7.6 lbs. 14%" 21/4" 1½" 40709 Red Bar\* \$779

Chokes



**INERTIA I-12** 12-Gauge 2¾" and 3"



<sup>\*</sup> Red bar front sight and metal bead mid sight.



I-12 WH17	TE GOLD
I-12 WH	IITE GOLD
12-Gauge	2¾" and 3"

	ltem Number	Barrel Length	Stock	Magazine Capacity	Chokes	Type of Sights	Overall Length	Average Weight	Length of Pull	Drop at Heel	Drop at Comb	MSRP
"	40711	28"	AA Grade Walnut	4+1	C,IC,M,IM,F	Red Bar*	49"	7.7 lbs.	14%"	21⁄4"	1½"	\$1399

Hard case included \* Red bar front sight and metal bead mid sight.

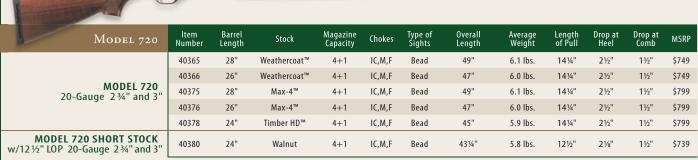




Franchi Models 712 and 720 Raptor are supplied with custom-fitted hard cases and cleaning kits.

712 & 720 RAPTOR	ltem Number	Barrel Length	Stock	Magazine Capacity	Chokes	Type of Sights	Overall Length	Average Weight	Length of Pull	Drop at Heel	Drop at Comb	MSRP
<b>712 RAPTOR</b> 12-Gauge 2¾" and 3"	40333	30"	WeatherCoat™	4+1	IC,M,F*	Front/Mid	52"	7.1 lbs.	14¼"	21/4"	11/2"	\$899
<b>720 RAPTOR</b> 20-Gauge 2¾" and 3"	40334	28"	WeatherCoat™	4+1	IC,M,F	Front/Mid	50"	6.2 lbs.	14¼"	21/4"	1½"	\$899

<sup>\*</sup>Extended tubes





48 AL Field & 48 AL Deluxe	ltem Number	Barrel Length	Stock	Magazine Capacity	Chokes	Type of Sights	Overall Length	Average Weight	Length of Pull	Drop at Heel	Drop at Comb	MSRP
	40200	28"	Satin Walnut	4+1	IC,M,F	Bead	48"	5.7 lbs.	141⁄4"	2½"	1½"	\$749
48 AL FIELD 20-Gauge 2¾"	40205	26"	Satin Walnut	4+1	IC,M,F	Bead	46"	5.6 lbs.	141⁄4"	2½"	1½"	\$749
	40210	24"	Satin Walnut	4+1	IC,M,F	Bead	44"	5.5 lbs.	141⁄4"	2½"	1½"	\$749
<b>48 AL FIELD SHORT STOCK</b> w/12½" LOP 20-Gauge 2¾"	40207	24"	Satin Walnut	4+1	IC,M,F	Bead	421⁄4"	5.4 lbs.	12½"	21/8"	1½"	\$749
<b>48 AL DELUXE</b> 20-Gauge 2¾"	40212	26"	A Grade Walnut	4+1	IC,M,F	Bead	46"	5.6 lbs.	14¼"	2½"	1½"	\$970
<b>48 AL FIELD</b> 28-Gauge 2¾"	40215	26"	Satin Walnut	4+1	IC,M,F	Bead	46"	5.4 lbs.	14¼"	2½"	1½"	\$850
<b>48 AL DELUXE</b> 28-Gauge 2¾"	40217	26"	A Grade Walnut	4+1	IC,M,F	Bead	46"	5.4 lbs.	14¼"	2½"	1½"	\$1029

NEW ENGRAVED RECEIVERS

Renaissance Field	k Item Number	Barrel Length	Stock	Chokes	Type of Sights	Overall Length	Average Weight	Length of Pull	Drop at Heel	Drop at Comb	MSRP
RENNAISANCE FIELD	40605	28"	Oil Walnut	IC,M	Bead	445/8"	6.2 lbs.	14½"	2"	1½"	\$1250
12-Gauge 2¾" and	40610	26"	Oil Walnut	IC,M	Bead	425/8"	6.2 lbs.	14½"	2"	1½"	\$1250
RENNAISANCE FIEL	40615	28"	Oil Walnut	IC,M	Bead	44"	5.8 lbs.	14½"	2"	1½"	\$1250
20-Gauge 2¾" and 3"	40620	26"	Oil Walnut	IC,M	Bead	42"	5.8 lbs.	14½"	2"	1½"	\$1250
RENNAISANCE FIEL 28-Gauge 23		26"	Oil Walnut	IC,M	Bead	42"	5.5 lbs.	14½"	2"	1½"	\$1299

<sup>\*</sup>Hard case included

NEW Engraved receivers with gold inlay

Renaissance Classic*	ltem Number	Barrel Length	Stock	Chokes	Type of Sights	Overall Length	Average Weight	Length of Pull	Drop at Heel	Drop at Comb	MSRP
RENNAISANCE CLASSIC 12-Gauge 2¾" and 3"	40630	28"	Oil Walnut A	IC,M,F	Bead	445/8"	6.2 lbs.	14½"	2"	1½"	\$1495
	40635	26"	Oil Walnut A	IC,M,F	Bead	425/8"	6.2 lbs.	14½"	2"	1½"	\$1495
RENNAISANCE CLASSIC	40640	28"	Oil Walnut A	IC,M,F	Bead	44"	5.8 lbs.	14½"	2"	1½"	\$1495
20-Gauge 2¾" and 3"	40645	26"	Oil Walnut A	IC,M,F	Bead	42"	5.8 lbs.	14½"	2"	1½"	\$1495
RENNAISANCE CLASSIC 28-Gauge 2¾"	40650	26"	Oil Walnut A	IC,M,F	Bead	42"	5.5 lbs.	14½"	2"	1½"	\$1585

<sup>\*</sup>Hard case included



NEW Engraved receivers with gold inlay

Renaissance Elite*	ltem Number	Barrel Length	Stock	Chokes	Type of Sights	Overall Length	Average Weight	Length of Pull	Drop at Heel	Drop at Comb	MSRP
RENNAISANCE ELITE	40655	28"	Oil Walnut AA	C,IC,M,IM,F	Bead	445/8"	6.2 lbs.	14½"	2"	1½"	\$2100
12-Gauge 2¾" and 3"	40660	26"	Oil Walnut AA	C,IC,M,IM,F	Bead	425/8"	6.2 lbs.	14½"	2"	1½"	\$2100
RENNAISANCE ELITE 20-Gauge 2¾" and 3"	40665	28"	Oil Walnut AA	C,IC,M,IM,F	Bead	44"	5.8 lbs.	14½"	2"	1½"	\$2100
	40670	26"	Oil Walnut AA	C,IC,M,IM,F	Bead	42"	5.8 lbs.	14½"	2"	1½"	\$2100
RENNAISANCE ELITE 28-Gauge 2¾"	40675	26"	Oil Walnut AA	C,IC,M,IM,F	Bead	42"	5.5 lbs.	14½"	2"	1½"	\$2195

<sup>\*</sup>Hard case included



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