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FEATURED PRODUCT



C167GP Friction Folder™

UPC: 716104009497
MSRP: \$314.95
OVERALL: 6.50in 165mm

BLADE: 2.84in 72mm

EDGE: 2.58in 66mm

WEIGHT: 3.2oz 91g

GRIND: Full-Flat

ORIGIN: Japan

Designed by Belgian knifemaker Filip De Leeuw, the Friction Folder™ is an extremely unique knife with a significance that goes far beyond our typical collaborative design.

From a historical standpoint, it pays tribute to the very first folding knife mechanism, which was a simple pivot that relied solely on the handle's friction against the tang to keep the blade open. Later, a tab—similar to that found on traditional straight razors—was added to the tang of the blade to serve as a lever to open the knife. In the open position, this tab also indexes against the back of the handle where pressure from the user's hand holds it in place to stabilize the blade during use.

Friction folders evolved independently in different areas of the world and the earliest examples can be traced back as far as 600-500 BC. Since many styles of friction folder were also closely associated with specific cultures, the Friction Folder also qualifies as a member of Spyderco's Ethnic Series of knives. Its drop-point blade profile, tang tab, and gently curved handle shape are reminiscent of European friction folders and similar knives of the American frontier.

Although the Friction Folder's VG-10 stainless steel blade includes a Trademark Round Hole, its primary one-handed-opening method is to use the tang tab as a lever, making its operation distinctly different than all other Spyderco knives.

As a modern cutting tool, the Friction Folder is the latest example of Spyderco's growing family of socially friendly, non-locking folders that comply with knife laws in areas that prohibit locking blades. When used with care and proper cutting technique, the Friction Folder is an amazingly capable everyday carry knife and a great alternative to conventional folding knife designs.

Because its simple design does not include a self-close mechanism, the Friction Folder is not suitable for clip-style carry. Instead, it comes with a handsome faux leather pouch that does feature a clip—another unique departure for a Spyderco knife.

Best of all, these distinctive features faithfully reflect the style and exceptional attention to detail that define Filip De Leeuw's prized custom knives. Like De Leeuw's popular handmade version, it successfully blends traditional design with state-of-the-art materials to create a highly functional everyday cutting tool and a fascinating reflection of folding knife history.

SHOW UPDATE



The seventh annual Usual Suspect Network (USN) Gathering will take place at the Planet Hollywood Resort and Casino in Las Vegas from September 3-5, 2015. Spyderco will be there in force and looks forward to visiting and sharing our newest products with you!

ACCESSORIES



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Designed to be easily carried, this handsome antique-bronze-finished coin has a unique Reuleaux triangle shape and is proudly stamped with the Spyderco logo and the year "2015." Minted in limited numbers, the SpyderCoin '15 is only available while supplies last. (1.10 x 1.10 inches)

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SPYDERCO SNAPSHOT

This month the Spyderco Crew and their families celebrated summer and took a few hours to unwind at our annual company picnic. In addition to the great food, games, and prize raffles enjoyed by all, the kids had a blast with balloon animals, a bouncy house, a water slide, and many other activities. Always a highlight of our summer, the Spyderco company picnic was great fun with the best crew in the business!



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