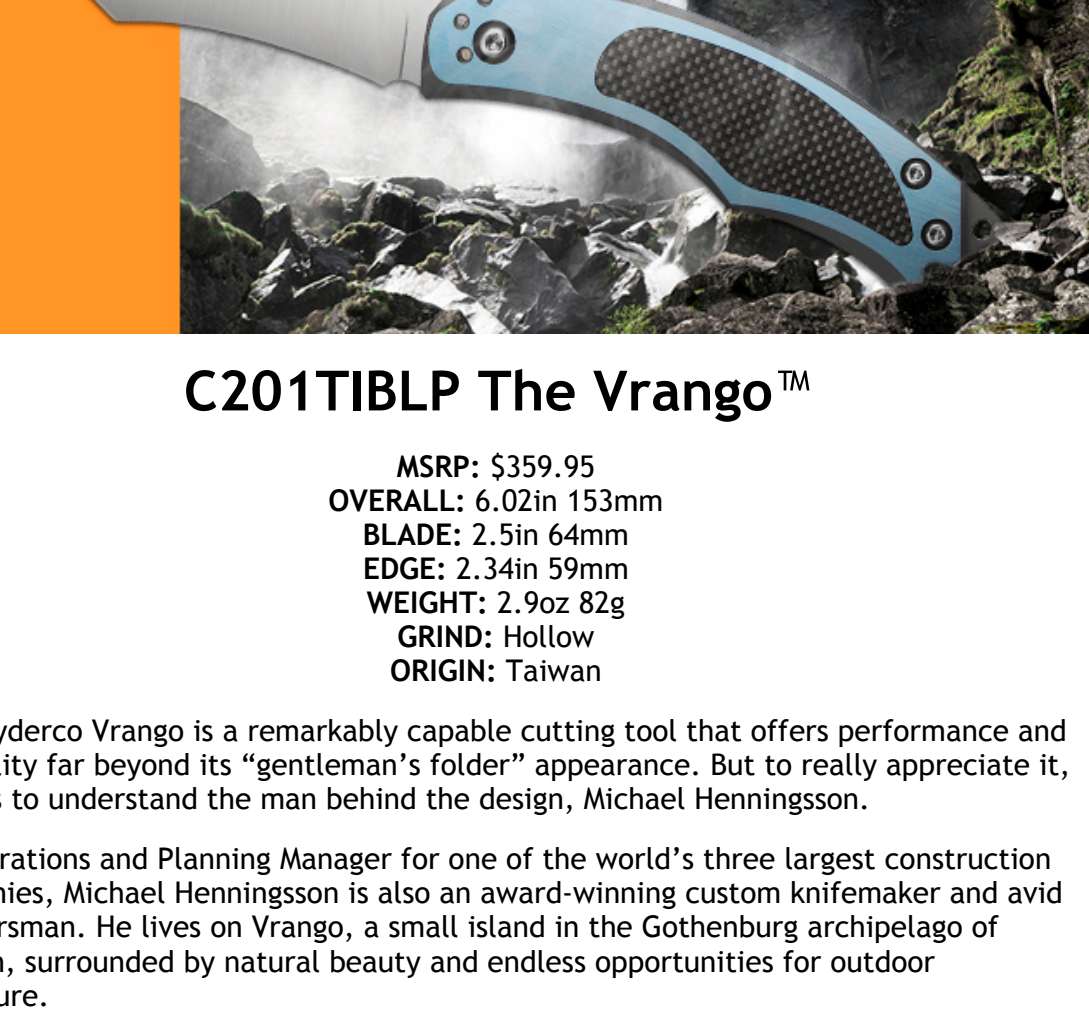




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FEATURED PRODUCT



C201TIBLP The Vranglo™

MSRP: \$359.95
OVERALL: 6.02in 153mm
BLADE: 2.5in 64mm
EDGE: 2.34in 59mm
WEIGHT: 2.9oz 82g
GRIND: Hollow
ORIGIN: Taiwan

The Spyderco Vranglo is a remarkably capable cutting tool that offers performance and versatility far beyond its “gentleman’s folder” appearance. But to really appreciate it, it helps to understand the man behind the design, Michael Henningsson.

An Operations and Planning Manager for one of the world’s three largest construction companies, Michael Henningsson is also an award-winning custom knifemaker and avid outdoorsman. He lives on Vranglo, a small island in the Gothenburg archipelago of Sweden, surrounded by natural beauty and endless opportunities for outdoor adventure.

Henningsson and his family are all avid fishermen with plenty of experience using knives as tools. In 2009, he decided to combine that experience and his lifelong fascination with knives by making his first folder. He was immediately hooked and hasn’t looked back since. Although he is still a part-time maker, his passion for knives has become a driving force in his life, fueling his personal quest to blend artistic expression with practical, high-performance functionality. The Vranglo, his aptly-named first collaboration with Spyderco, is a perfect reflection of that approach.

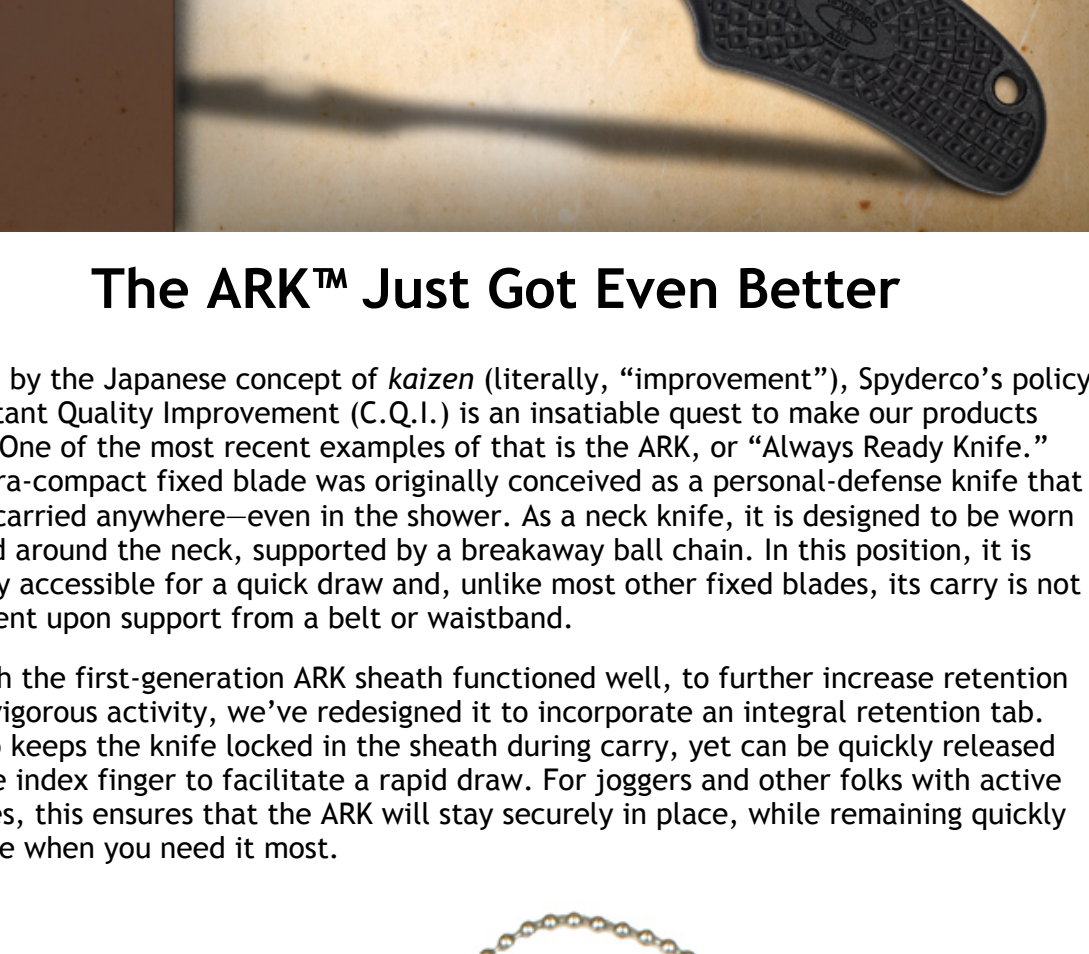
The Vranglo’s most distinctive feature is its uniquely shaped blade, which is precision machined from CPM® S30V® particle metallurgy stainless steel. Its deep hollow grind provides exceptional edge geometry and allows all the way to the point to create an Americanized tanto-style tip. Unlike most blades with this shape, the tip is not faceted and therefore provides a thin, high-performance cutting edge while maintaining impressive point strength.

Inspired by Henningsson’s love of fishing, the Vranglo features a slightly recurved primary edge for additional “bite” that keeps fishing line and netting from sliding off the edge when it is cut. The transition between the recurve and the straight edge near the tip also provides a highly functional secondary point that allows it to cut with focused power—just like the point of a hawkbill. The remaining section of the blade offers a strong, well-centered point and a utilitarian straight cutting edge that functions much like a razor blade. Spyderco’s Trademark Round Hole™ rounds things out, proudly proclaiming the knife’s pedigree and offering quick, positive, one-handed opening with either hand.

The Vranglo’s unique blade is housed in a handle that consists of a full-length backspacer, handle scales, and LinerLock mechanism, all machined from solid titanium and anodized a brilliant blue hue. For additional contrast, the anodizing is actually done in two stages and with two different surface finishes—a matte bead-blast finish on the chamfered edges and backspacer and a satin finish on the handle flats and back. Both scales are then inlaid with carbon fiber inserts that mirror the graceful lines of the handle profile and provide an additional touch of high-tech class. To allow easy attachment of a fob or lanyard, the backspacer extends beyond the butt end of the scales and offers a generous lanyard hole. A reversible polished stainless steel clip attaches to either side of the pivot-pin end of the knife, providing convenient, ambidextrous, tip-down carry.

As practical as it is beautiful, the Vranglo is an amazing fusion of artistic expression and utilitarian function that accurately captures the knifemaking spirit of its designer.

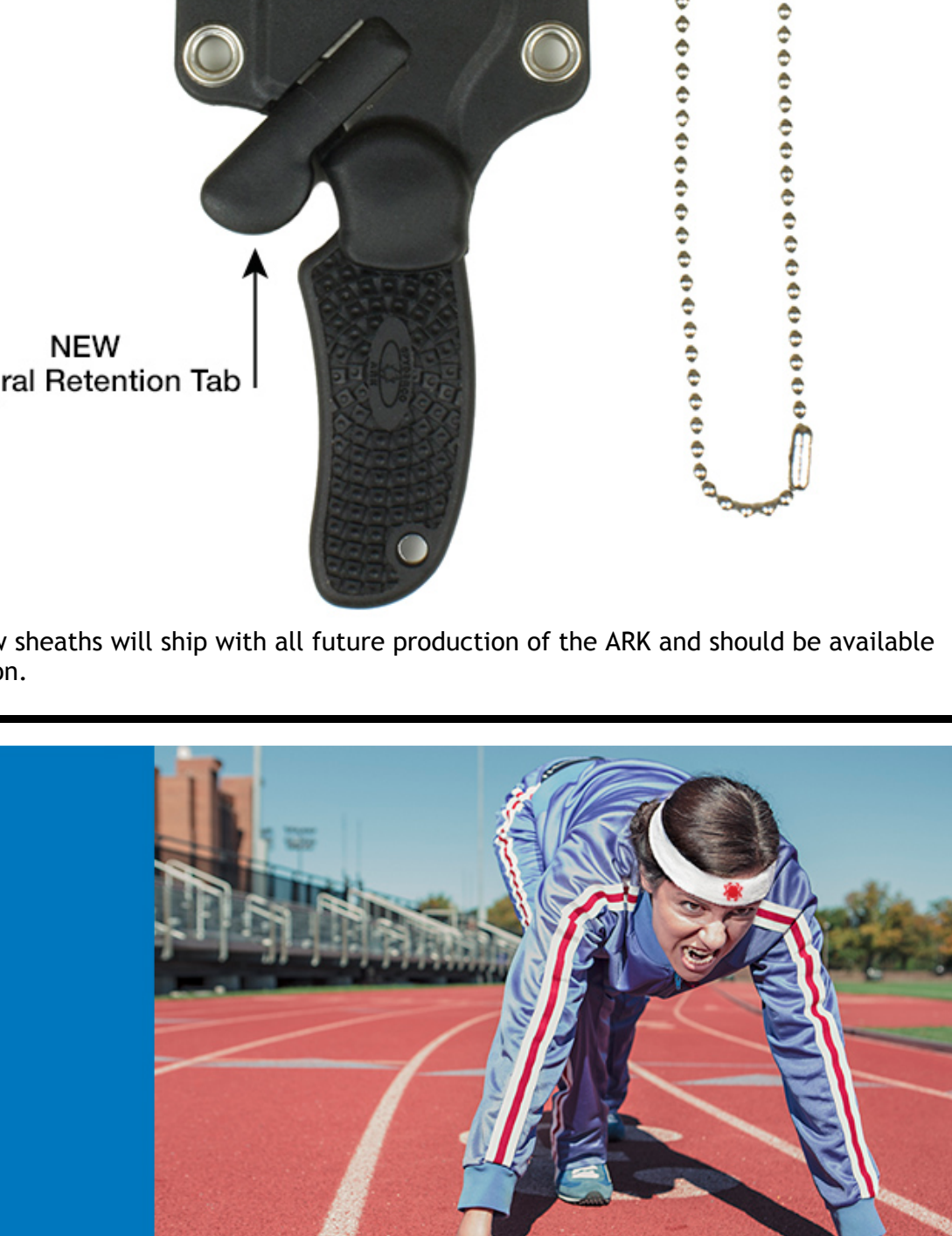
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The ARK™ Just Got Even Better

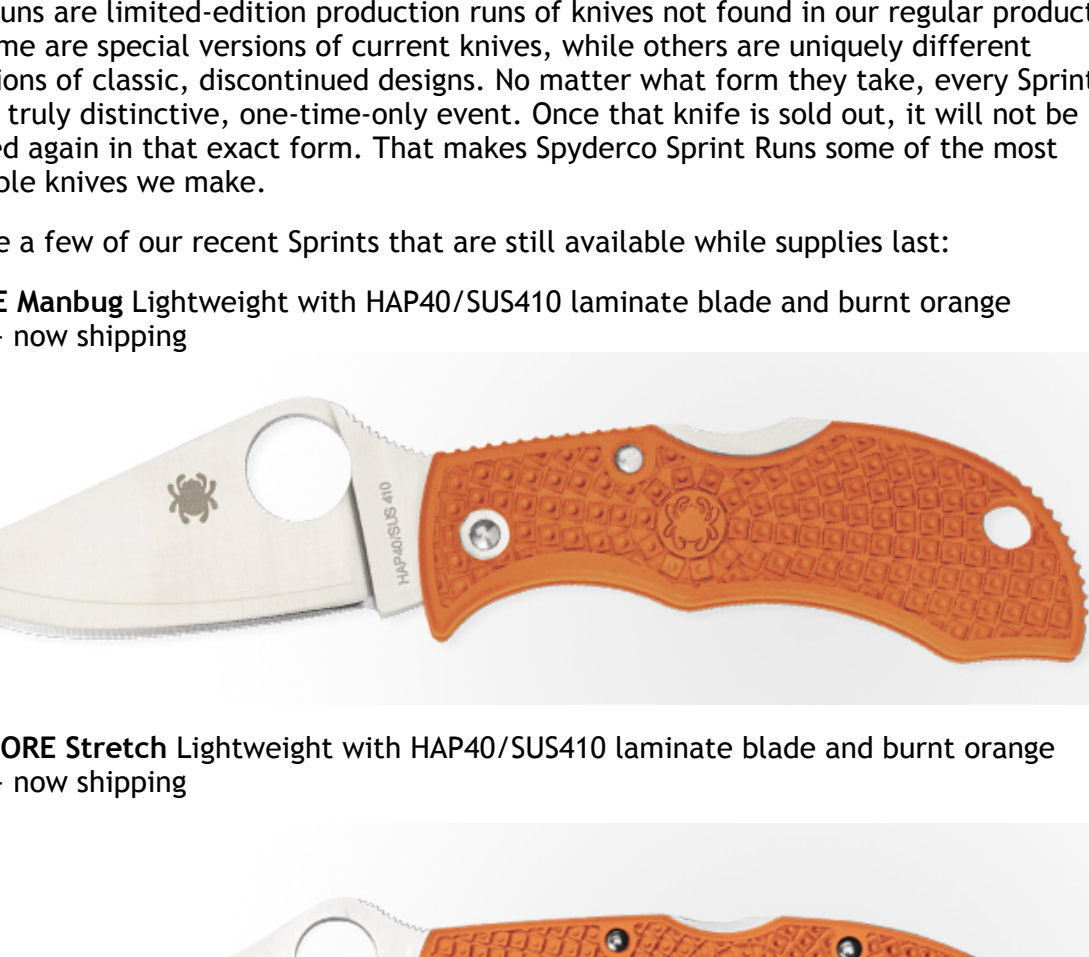
Inspired by the Japanese concept of *kaizen* (literally, “improvement”), Spyderco’s policy of Constant Quality Improvement (C.Q.I.) is an insatiable quest to make our products better. One of the most recent examples of that is the ARK, or “Always Ready Knife.” This ultra-compact fixed blade was originally conceived as a personal-defense knife that can be carried anywhere—even in the shower. As a neck knife, it is designed to be worn inverted around the neck, supported by a breakaway ball chain. In this position, it is instantly accessible for a quick draw and, unlike most other fixed blades, its carry is not dependent upon support from a belt or waistband.

Although the first-generation ARK sheath functioned well, to further increase retention during vigorous activity, we’ve redesigned it to incorporate an integral retention tab. This tab keeps the knife locked in the sheath during carry, yet can be quickly released with the index finger to facilitate a rapid draw. For joggers and other folks with active lifestyles, this ensures that the ARK will stay securely in place, while remaining quickly available when you need it most.



The new sheaths will ship with all future production of the ARK and should be available very soon.

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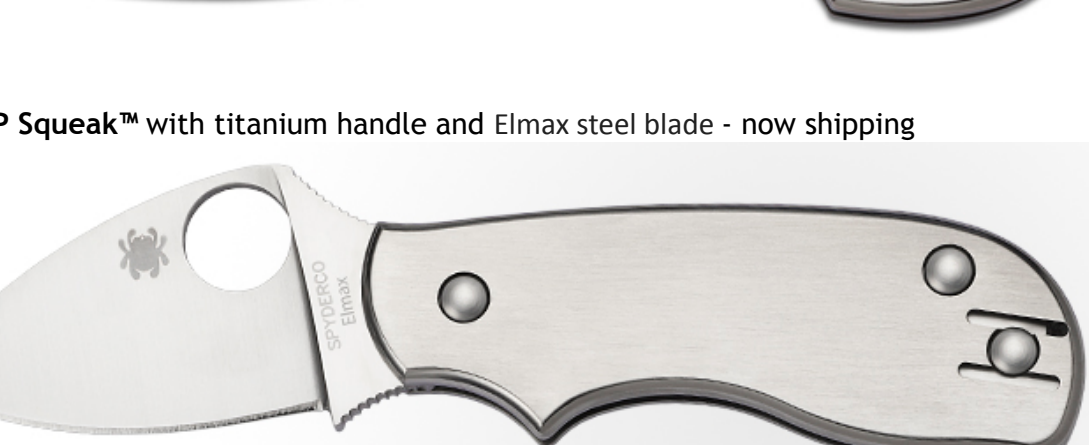
Spyderco Sprint Runs

Do you want to treat yourself to something really special? Want to “one-up” your knife-carrying friends? Consider a Spyderco Sprint Run!

Sprint Runs are limited-edition production runs of current knives, while others are uniquely different expressions of classic, discontinued designs. No matter what form they take, every Sprint Run is a truly distinctive, one-time-only event. Once that knife is sold out, it will not be produced again in that exact form. That makes Spyderco Sprint Runs some of the most collectible knives we make.

Here are a few of our current Sprints that are still available while supplies last:

MBORPE Manbug Lightweight with HAP40/SUS410 laminate blade and burnt orange handle - now shipping



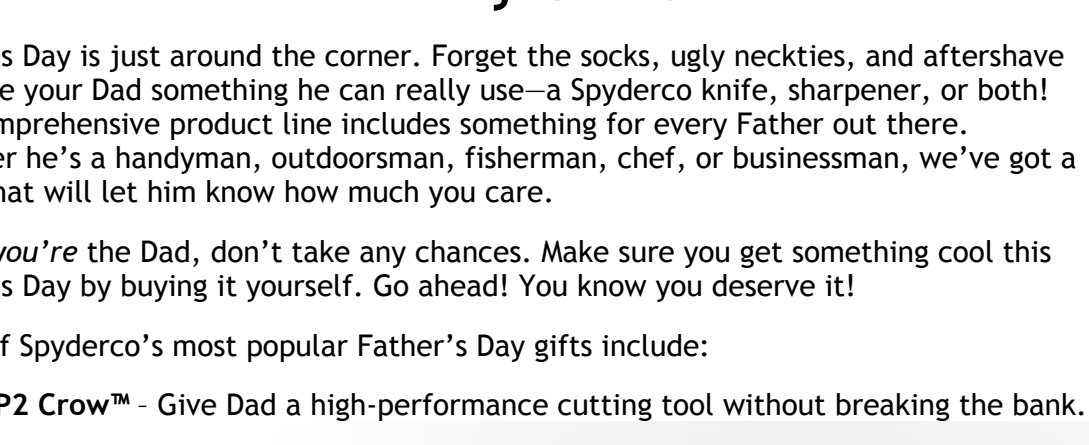
C90FPBORE Stretch Lightweight with HAP40/SUS410 laminate blade and burnt orange handle - now shipping



FB20POR Rock Salt™ with 100% rustproof H-1® blade and orange FRN handle - now shipping



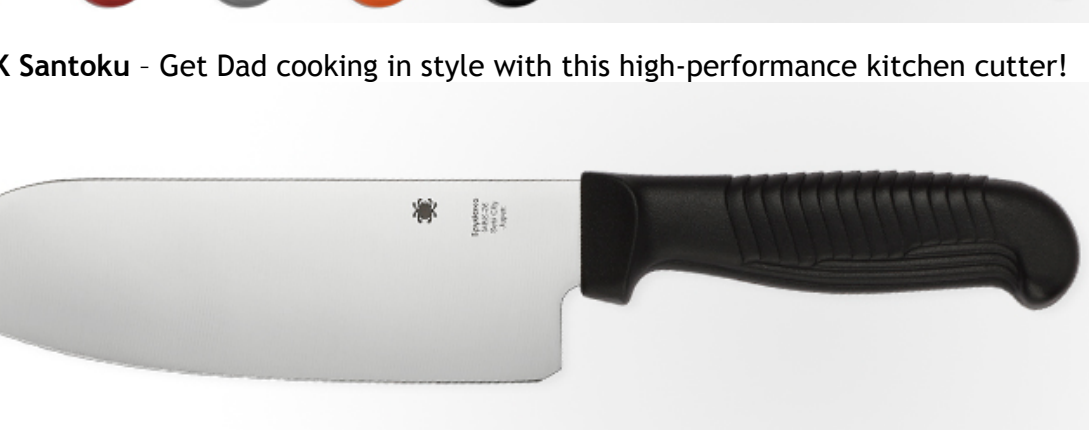
C163TIP Pingo™ with anodized titanium “bug” handle and Elmax steel blade - now shipping



C154TIP Squeak™ with titanium handle and Elmax steel blade - now shipping



C36CFP52100 Military™ Model with 52100 comb steel and textured peel-ply carbon fiber scales - shipping early June



GIFT GUIDE



Father’s Day Gift Guide

Father’s Day is just around the corner. Forget the socks, ugly neckties, and aftershave and give your Dad something he can really use—a Spyderco knife, sharpener, or both! Our comprehensive product line includes something for every Father out there. Whether he’s a handyman, outdoorsman, fisherman, chef, or businessman, we’ve got a knife that will let him know how much you care.

And if *you’re* the Dad, don’t take any chances. Make sure you get something cool this Father’s Day by buying it yourself. Go ahead! You know you deserve it!

Some of Spyderco’s most popular Father’s Day gifts include:

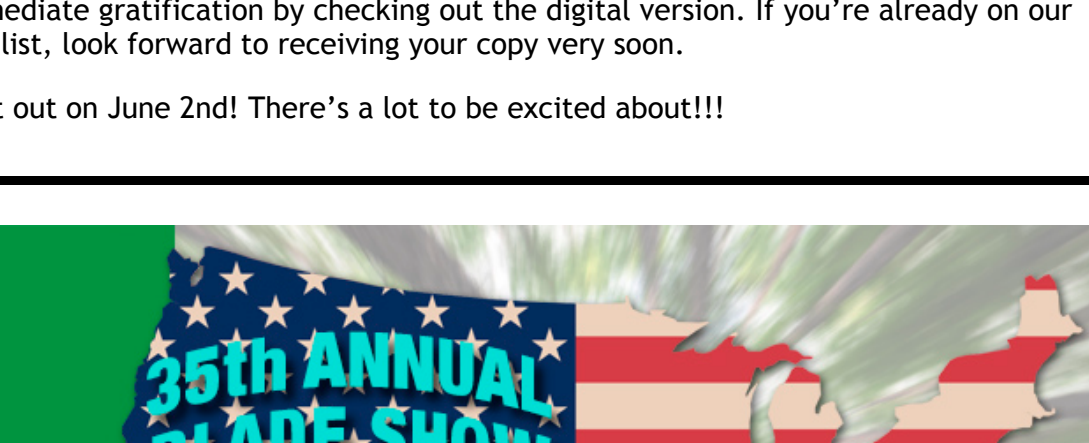
BY09GP2 Crow™ - Give Dad a high-performance cutting tool without breaking the bank.



C189 Roadie - Pick Dad’s favorite color and give him a new twist on the traditional penknife (available in blue, red, gray, black, and orange).



K08PBK Santoku - Get Dad cooking in style with this high-performance kitchen cutter!



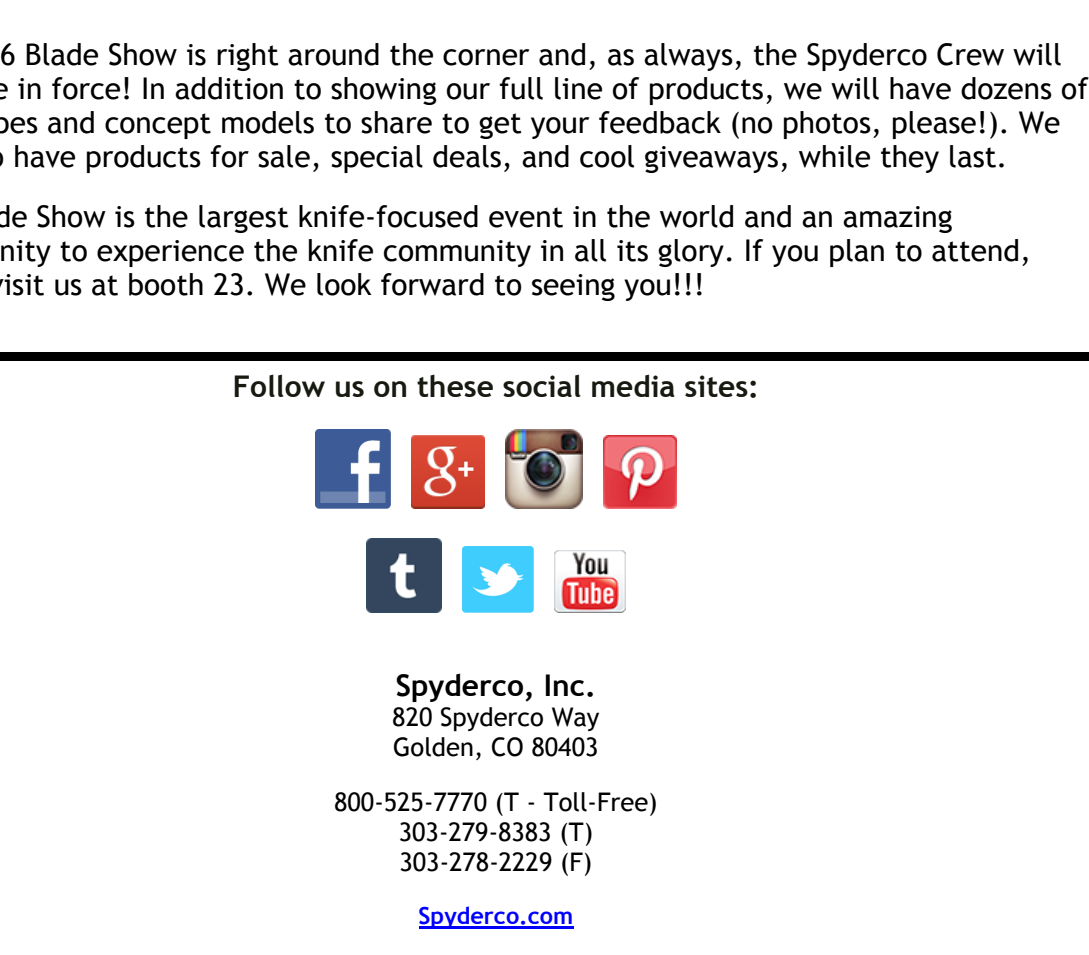
FB20POR Rock Salt - Help Dad conquer the outdoors with the ultimate camp knife.



204MF Tri-Angle Sharpener™ - Can’t decide which knife is right for your father? Then buy him a gift that will keep all his knives and other cutting tools at peak sharpness. Our Sharpener is the gift that keeps giving all year long.



REMEMINDERS



Mid-Year New Product Guide

We’re just putting the finishing touches on our 2016 Mid-Year Product Guide! This supplement to our full-line catalog contains all the information on our newest knives—including everything that we anticipate releasing through the end of the year. We anticipate the release by June 2nd - please visit the catalog page of our web site (<https://www.spyderco.com/catalog/request.php>) to request a printed copy or to get immediate gratification by checking out the digital version. If you’re already on our mailing list, look forward to receiving your copy very soon.

Check it out on June 2nd! There’s a lot to be excited about!!!

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