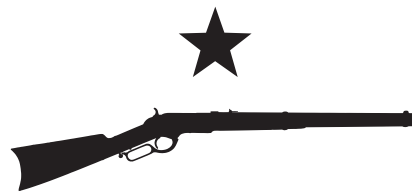


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Rock Island Auction Company is renowned for its extraordinary firearms, unprecedented results, and an overarching dedication to quality. Established in 1993 by founder Pat Hogan, RIAC offers its clients the finest publicly available firearms, industry leading innovation, and a standard of excellence built on integrity, passion, and expertise.

These values have drawn a dedicated clientele from dozens of countries and driven a string of world records that RIAC has taken great pleasure in breaking and resetting repeatedly.

Specializing strictly in the auctioning of antique and collector firearms and militaria, Rock Island Auction Company hosts over one dozen gun auctions annually in four unique formats, catering to every level of collecting expertise.

Premier Auctions

The flagship of fine arms collecting. Our Premier Auctions are hosted three times annually and are filled with beautiful, rare, unusual, historic, and mint condition world-class collectibles. It is not uncommon for a new world record to be set in any Premier Auction.

Sporting & Collector Auctions

Our Sporting & Collector Firearms Auctions are made up of affordable antiques, beginning collector's items, usable sporting arms, and many non-firearm lots. Their origins lie in the demand for "everyday collector" guns. These exciting sales have grown continually in size over the years and can house more than 10,000 firearms.

Arms & Accessories Day Auctions

The A&A Day Auctions have skyrocketed in popularity since their introduction and are held 1-2 times each month. These events utilize a live stream of our licensed auctioneers to conduct the auction and offer hundreds of fantastic items.

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RIAC On Time is our newest auction format! It's the timed auctions you love, but with all the benefits of bidding with the world's No. 1 firearms auction. We have big plans to change timed auctions with exciting new features. Stay tuned!

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Historic Well-Documented "Soft Shipped," New York Engraved, Gold Washed, and Presentation Inscribed Colt Model 1877 Thunderer Double Action Revolver with Solid German Silver Grips Presented to Legendary Western Lawman Pat Garrett, Killer of "Billy The Kid", by His El Paso Friends

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The industry is changing. After 30 years in business, we should know – we've led it almost every step of the way. Now we take our boldest step yet, one of an unprecedented investment in the dignified field of fine arms collecting.

We believe in this pursuit, and we believe in our business. We've watched first-hand as the values of fine arms climb year after year and that's why we've constructed what is the premier international venue to buy and sell collector grade firearms.

Simply put, our new Bedford, Texas, venue elevates gun collecting, giving these arms a worthy setting for their history, their artistry, and their legacy. It is a realization of a 30-year dream, and yet such a destination for fine arms is long overdue.

It is the finest brick and mortar auction facility in the United States, 90,000 square feet filled with cutting edge technology, relentless hospitality, and meticulous presentation. The new world selling headquarters for arms collectors of all disciplines will host auctions, accommodate lectures, display world-class firearms, and advance the world of gun collecting to new and exciting heights.

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James Purdey & Sons is among the top fine arms firms in the world, creating exceptional firearms since 1814. Some of the finest game shots of the Victorian period used Purdey's Hammer Ejector guns, including His Majesty King George V, as well as Earl de Grey, who is regarded by many as the most famous game shooter of all time and used a trio of Purdey hammer guns. Purdey reintroduced their iconic classic hammer gun in 2004, marrying the style and elegance of the 19th century with the modern technology of the 21st century while still maintaining the attention to detail and hand fitting of each gun crafted throughout their 200+ year history. They have never wavered in their pursuit of perfection, with each and every gun a combination of top materials, skilled artisans, and time. This consecutive shotgun quintet is a testament to the exceptional quality achieved by the firm and a true rarity to appear at public auction.

This one-of-a-kind set was the vision of world renowned hunter, call-maker, businessman, and conservationist Mr. Will Primos. When he sold his company to Vista

Outdoors in 2012, he put in the order with Purdey to have this set of five guns built and received the final gun in 2023. At the time, Purdey had never made a hammer ejector gun in 28 gauge or any hammer gun in .410 in their history. According to Purdey, they produced a limited run of ten .410 bore shotguns, including the one in this set, with no more to be made. They further state it is the only 5-caliber hammer gun set Purdey has ever produced and ever will. Purdey's Gunroom & Heritage Collection Manager Dr. Nicholas A. Harlow stated, "To repeat the set would be impossible."

The set includes one gun each in 12, 16, 20, 28, and .410. Each of the guns is built with blued steel barrels featuring a single bead sight on the concave solid rib and automatic ejectors and is threaded for Teague chokes. The exquisite brushed bright finished actions each feature masterfully cut extensive tight English scrollwork. The actions' undersides reveal beautifully cut and startlingly realistic game scenes. The engraving was executed in exceptional detail by the hands of highly renowned Master Engravers

Paul Chung and Bradley Tallett, with Tallett's signature on the 16 gauge and Chung's signature on the remaining guns. Each gun features double triggers, a right hand rolled trigger guard, and tang mounted automatic safety with gold inlaid "SAFE" indicator.

Each gun is fitted with a beautiful, highly figured walnut and double line bordered, multi-point checkered, slim beaver tail forend and a straight grip stock with tear-drop carved drop points and a black leather covered recoil pad. The guns each feature a 1 3/8 inch drop at comb, 2 inch drop at heel, and a 14 7/8 inch length of pull per the included Purdey specification sheets. The set includes a fine takedown case for each gun and includes a variety of accessories, including additional Teague choke tubes and snap caps.



Appraised Value: \$800,000

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Mr. Will Primos

This one of a kind set was the vision of world renowned hunter, call-maker, businessman, and conservationist Mr. Will Primos. Will crafted his first duck call at the age of 11, after a day spent hunting in flooded timber with his uncle. Even though Will continued to hunt while working in his family's restaurant business, he was always tinkering with the tools of the trade, eventually making and selling his own turkey calls made of out of tin beer cans. He soon started his own company, Primos Yelpers, which had its biggest breakthrough when Will started producing instructional audio and then VHS tapes of actual hunts. Both proved revolutionary for the industry as well as the fledgling business.

As Will's business continued to grow, Primos Yelpers became Primos Hunting Calls, growing into one of the biggest names in the hunting industry along with his video series "Speak the

Language" and "The Truth." When Primos sold his company to Vista Outdoors in 2012, he put in the order with Purdey to have this set of five guns built, receiving the final gun in 2023.

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Soon after receiving the final gun, Mr. Primos put in motion his plan to utilize this stunning set of Purdey shotguns to raise money for an honorable cause close to his

heart: conservation. Having close relationships with many of the top conservation organizations in the world, Will decided to sell the set through Rock Island Auction Company with the entirety of the proceeds split between Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation, Ducks Unlimited, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, National Wild Turkey Federation, and Pheasants Forever/Quail Forever.

This is a momentous opportunity for any firearms collector, shooter, sportsman or woman, or conservationist to obtain a one-of-a-kind collection of the absolute highest quality, with a connection to one of the outdoor icons of our time, while building on the legacy of five of the most effective conservation organizations in the world, and ensuring that North America's abundant natural resources and great hunting heritage remains for many generations to come!

The Organizations

Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation (CSF) was established in 1989 with the mission to "work with Congress, governors, and state legislatures to protect and advance hunting, angling, recreational shooting, and trapping." CSF initially provided a gateway between the sportsmen's community and Members of the Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus (CSC), and since has expanded its network across the entirety of the United States, overseeing a network of bipartisan state legislative sportsmen's caucuses organized under the National Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucuses (NASC) and the Governors Sportsmen's Caucus (GSC). CSF is the tip of the spear when it comes to protecting American's rights to recreate outdoors through legislative action.

Ducks Unlimited (DU) was founded in 1937 in the midst of the Great Depression when North America's waterfowl populations, suffering from the drought stricken Dust Bowl, had plunged to unprecedented lows. A small group of dedicated sportsmen formed together determined to restore the waterfowls' habitat and raise their dwindling numbers.

Through decades of this single focus, Ducks Unlimited is now the world's largest and most effective private waterfowl and wetlands conservation organization. By working with private individuals, landowners, government and non-government agencies, the scientific community, and various other entities, DU has been able to bring North America's waterfowl from their historic lows to today's unprecedented highs.

Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF) was established by four passionate hunters in 1984 in the great state of Montana with the mission of ensuring the future of elk in North America. Since its humble beginnings, RMEF has helped complete more than 14,000 conservation and hunting outreach projects that protected or enhanced more than 8.9 million acres of wildlife habitat and opened or improved public access to more than 1.59 million acres, much of which was completely inaccessible to the public prior. It has also helped reintroduce elk to many parts of their native US ranges where they had previously been extirpated. RMEF currently boasts more than 225,000 members and 12,000 volunteers working through more than 500 chapters to complete their mission.

National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf) began in 1973 in one of the last bastions of the wild turkey in North America, South Carolina. At its lowest point in the 1940s there were only an estimated 200,000 wild turkeys remaining in North America, populating only 11 of the original 39 states they once occupied. While that number had grown to 1.3 million when NWTf was founded, their leadership and the hard work of their 10k+ volunteers has resulted in more than 6 million birds five decades later, with sustainable populations in 49 states, even more than they originally called home.

Pheasants Forever (PF) was formed in 1982 as a group of pheasant hunters saw the connection between upland habitat loss and declining pheasant populations. An organization dedicated specifically to grassland habitat conservation was needed, and Pheasants Forever was established. Pheasants Forever's mission is to conserve pheasants, quail, and other wildlife through habitat improvements, public access, education, and conservation advocacy. In 2005, in response to continued declines in quail populations and suitable quail habitat, Pheasants Forever formed a quail division, Quail Forever.



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