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The Superknife Folding Utility Razor

A Product Review by Jim West

I had been drooling my way through a small catalog that I get each month and this knife caught my eye. I hadn't seen it on the shelves anywhere, so I called the good folks at Dillon Precision in Phoenix and coaxed them into sending me a sample. I found out from them that this little knife is made there in Phoenix and it is getting mighty popular.



Photo by Phil Elmore

I was so impressed with it that I bought ten of them and gave them to my employees. After erecting two houses, trimming wire, slicing roofing felt, and cutting plastic pipe, we did go through a couple packages of disposable blades. In this remote corner of Hillbilly Heaven, we can get three shapes of blades for the little utility folders.

The knife is the pinnacle of simplicity. It's built like a battleship and is the handiest little gadget you'll ever hang in your pocket. They call it the Superknife. It is basically two slabs of aircraft aluminum with a liner lock blade. The disposable box cutter blades are inserted in the folding blade holder and away you go.

This little knife retails for about \$19.95 at most places, although I did spot the knife in a premier sportsman's catalog for \$25.95. It is inexpensive but tough. Guys and gals, when you have a nasty job to do and it requires cutting, it

doesn't make a lick of sense to use your "Hammer of Thor" custom, as Dillon calls it, to cut cardboard, peel Romex, or trim plastic pipe. This little Superknife does the trick. If you want to nick the blade, it's ok because you can change it out for fifty cents and have a new sharp one.

It is a really handy one-handed knife, as you can reach the thumb stud and open the blade with either hand. The thing I need to mention here is that the blade tension is adjustable. When you buy the knife, it comes with a little tool and some spare parts. If you lose a screw, there is an extra one. You can set the blade tension as your desire. Also, the knife has a handy pocket clip.

Even if you break it or lose it, it is not like losing, chipping, or breaking an expensive folder. Now you all know that most of the time there is a custom on my belt. There is also a Superknife in my front pocket. I'm not about to use that pride and joy custom knife for utility work when I have that little Superknife with the disposable blades handy. I did try it on skinning and the sharp pointy blade isn't worth a hoot. That's nothing against the knife; it is a comment on the shape of the blades. Now, if a guy could get some with some curve in them, it'd even be handy for that.

Superknife is now making the knives in colors. You can get them in several different colors and natural silver. A number of accessories are available for them, such as carrying pouches, blade dispensers, and replacement parts.

There isn't much more raving that can be done about this handy little knife. It is a brute of a little workhorse. It is

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inexpensive and it gets the job done. Even my secretary keeps one at her desk. My employees use their Superknives every day. They all carry “using” knives of one sort or another, but they keep them clean and sharp for action by using the Superknife for the dirty work.

Get a Superknife and put the wear and tear on the disposable blades. Check with your local knife dealer or you can get yours at the same place I got mine, Dillon Precision, the makers of the fine Dillon Reloading Tools. Visit their website at www.dillonprecision.com or call them at 1-800-762-3845. You can get a subscription to their Blue Press Catalog or order any of their fine products. Just have your credit card ready. I will be writing several articles about hunting experiences later in the year, and I use their reloading equipment to hand tailor the fodder for my hand cannon. ♠

A Look At One Competitor

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Manufacturer Meyerco, known for its Blackie Collins designs, offers a folding utility razor (bottom) built on the speed-assisted action of its “Speedster SR” model. It accepts standard razor blades and even opens with speed-assist spring action. The handle is very ergonomic.