



NEW SYREN TEMPIO TRAP UN-SINGLE



NATALIE LAMAGNA PUTS THE SYREN TEMPIO UN-SINGLE THROUGH ITS PACES.

Two years ago the Syren series of over and unders and semi-autos was introduced in sporting and field versions, coining the advertising phrase "Shotguns for Women". Just released is the Syren Tempio. The 12g 30" O/U and 12g 32" Un-Single both retail at \$6,395 while the 12g 30" O/U and 32" Un-Single Combo set retail at \$8,855.

Traditionally women have had to rely on trap guns made for men – but the Syren models address the specific

requirements of Lady shooters – starting with the stock with a length of pull at $13\frac{3}{4}$. (Left hand stocks available.) But LOP isn't the only difference in a Syren stock, there are other small but subtle differences in the make up of these stocks as well as where the balance point of the gun is.

Further, what about the way a shotgun looks? It's commonsense to admit that women would love something special – such as different

engraving. The Syren Tempio achieves that with an intricate scroll pattern plus the addition of four roses in gold on each receiver side and a pair of roses in gold on the receiver bottom. At the top of the grip, four roses are laser cut into the stock just above the checkering. There is also a trio of roses engraved on the top of the opening lever and another duo of roses on the trigger guard. Very attractive.

The Syren Tempio Un-Single I have for testing is similar to the

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Tempio Caesar Guerini. As you might know, Syren is a division of Caesar Guerini, while Fabarm is also a Guerini division. Consequently, expect to find Syren sporting and field over and unders and semi-autos made on Fabarm receivers and barrels – but with stocks and other factors tailor-made for women. There are also Syren models built on Caesar Guerini receivers – as per the Tempio for example.

Like all Caesar Guerini shotguns in the USA – the Syren Tempio Trap has an industry leading lifetime warranty and complementary PitStop maintenance program which allows the shooter to send their shotgun in to Guerini once a year (up to three times) for free service and tune up. Both of these advantages (warranty and PitStop) add incredible value.

ON TEST

For starters I had two young girls put our Syren Tempio Un-Single through its paces at my local club – Natalie and Lindsay Lamagna. Both were pleased with how the gun shot and were surprised at the low perceived recoil. Both are high school students and not much over 100 pounds, so it's easy to understand that for them, soft recoil is a significant feature of any shotgun.

Another aspect these two girls liked and

commented on was the light forward weight. There's a lot of weight in the adjustable comb stock with the Kinetic DTS Recoil Absorber, but the gun's balance point is well forward of the hinge pins. Using my hand, perpendicular under the receiver, the balance point is about $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{5}{8}$ inches forward of the trunnions. For a smaller (or lighter) person, that means less weight to lift with the hand on the fore-end and maybe a quicker movement to the target. That lighter forward feel will be a major positive for most Lady trap shooters.

This test gun has the optional DTS Balance System – with balancer and weights that allow 'My Lady' to adjust balance as she sees fit, with weight

additions for both the barrels and in the stock.

The high rib, after all this is an Un-Single, is adjustable. To adjust rib height, loosen the screw near the muzzle. Then spin

mid-bead and white front bead. The top rib is slightly tapered – .485 at the breech – .450 at the muzzle. I say top rib because there is a rib below – this one helps the high height and both ribs remain quite solid due to 10 angled attachments between them. At the very front, these two ribs are joined

the wheel for adjustment that's out near the muzzle. The area is marked with scored lines so you know how much rib movement you are making. Then, retighten the screw near the muzzle.

The rib is of aluminum for lightness, the top rib with a steel

as one. Putting all this together, there's every reason to believe this rib will hold up well during normal use and the chances of bending or denting should be minimal.

The next Lady I had try this Syren Tempio Un-Single was Marie Palmer. She shoots all the games of sporting,

RIGHT: MARIE PALMER WAS IMPRESSED WITH THE LOOK AND FEEL OF THE SYREN TEMPPIO UN-SINGLE.



skeet and trap. She was impressed with not only how good the Syren Un-Single Tempio looked, but how those looks made her feel – the gun seemed to be designed around her. After only a few shots she remarked how comfortable the gun was to shoot – not only minimal perceived recoil but how comfortable it was to mount with no scrunching around with shoulder, cheek and arms. It was hard to get this Un-Single away from Marie, she just kept shooting round after round. Jeff Crane is the President of our gun club, and when he saw what was going on, he wanted to try his hand with the gun. He too sang the Syren's praises, remarking, "This one is set up just about like my personal trap gun. I can just float the bird slightly above the rib at trigger pulling time – then the target disintegrates."

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Lock up is standard with the barrels pivoting on trunnions and a receiver-wide bolt moving forward upon closing to engage lugs milled into the bottom of the monobloc. Further, massive recoil lugs at the base of the monobloc dovetail into milled out areas in the bottom of the receiver ensuring a very strong lock up. The sides of the monobloc are well jeweled.

There is a smooth vented recoil pad, separated from the stock via a black spacer. That pad is rounded all around to help prevent mounting hang-ups. The stock is oil finished.

The adjustable comb is moved in the standard manner. Loosen two hex-head nuts to move the adjustable portion up and down. To adjust for cast right and left, the top comb must be removed. Next, move the pins right or left as required and then replace the top comb.

The trigger is gold plated and adjustable back and forth so 'My Lady' can attain her perfect grip to trigger distance.



AN INTRICATE SCROLL PATTERN PLUS THE ADDITION OF FOUR ROSES IN GOLD ON EACH RECEIVER SIDE, MAKES IT SOMETHING SPECIAL.



SPECIFICATIONS

GAUGE: 12 GAUGE

ACTION: OVER AND UNDER

WEIGHT: 9 POUNDS, 9 OUNCES WITH THE KINETIC DTS BALANCER. 8 POUNDS, 8 OUNCES WITHOUT

BARREL: 32 INCHES

CHOKES INCLUDED: 3 WITH UN-SINGLE. 5 WITH COMBO

STOCK: 13.75 x 1.5 x 2.5 WITH ADJUSTABLE COMB ALL THE WAY DOWN

SUGGESTED RETAIL: \$6395 – THE COMBO \$8855

MANUFACTURER/IMPORTER: MADE IN ITALY BY CAESAR GUERINI AND IMPORTED BY CAESAR GUERINI USA www.syrenusa.com

The intricate scroll engraving covers both receiver sides and bottom – so nearly 100 percent coverage – designed by the famous Bottega Giovenelli. The trigger guard is also engraved, as is the opening lever, the top tang and the fences – all touches that will be very pleasing to most any woman.

The bore measured .735 and the forcing cones are long (about 5 inches), what the company calls Duocon. Three chokes are provided with this gun's purchase.

The fore-end has finger grooves, is 10 inches long, with the button release at the front. Both the fore-end and grip are finely checkered at 26 lines-to-the-inch.

To my knowledge this is the first ever Un-Single trap gun specially

designed for women. With all the Syren's many different design characteristics, there's no reason why the Tempio Un-Single won't be widely accepted by the feminine trapshooting set. ■

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