

n 1981, Saello Enterprises Inc. hit the scene and quickly became a leader in CNC machining supplies and programing. With this technology being fairly new at the time, Saello captured this market and decided to turn its attention toward firearms.

In 1994, Kahr Arms was born, founded by Saeilo CEO/President Justin Moon, and the industry was about to reevaluate its ideas about compact firearms. Originally situated in upstate New York, Kahr quickly

grew tired of the continuous stream of draconian gun laws and took its tax dollars to Greeley, Pennsylvania.

Marketing Director Jodi DePorter explains: "The day the Safe Act was passed, while we were at the SHOT show, Justin Moon said we would no longer operate in New York. I didn't really think that was true, but by the summer of that year (2013), he bought 600 acres in northeast Pennsylvania. We built our facility and moved in the summer of 2015."



Today, Kahr's corporate headquarters oversees operations in Massachusetts and Minnesota, where the company's firearms are produced.

Kahr set out on the task to produce a standard-caliber pistol that was small enough to be concealed yet wouldn't fall apart during use. Founder and CEO Justin Moon came up with the design that would soon become the iconic K9 pistol. Utilizing an offset lug, Moon was able to delay blowback until only a safe amount of pressure was left to cycle the action. This delayed blowback system tipped the industry on its ear and would forever change the design approach for nearly every modern handgun attempting to fill the compact, full-power role.

Much like many other contemporary firearms manufacturers, Kahr's background in engineering and machining can be seen in even its earliest designs. As one of the first gun companies to be born during the computer age, Kahr's CNC machining roots can be observed in every well-thought-out part—from frames to barrels.





Over the years, Kahr has expanded upon the K9 design to include the K40 (in .40 S&W for those looking for a little more punch), as well as some entirely new series of handguns to accommodate any gun owner.

In 1999, Kahr put a modern spin on the classic K9 and delivered the "P" series, which features a polymer frame. Further expansion of the company's product base now offers a value-based "C" series and Kahr's newest "S" series, which features a completely redesigned magazine well, grip and integral Picatinny rail.

## AN "OLD" NEW ADDITION

With the instant success of its handguns, Saeilo Enterprises Inc. purchased the venerable Auto-Ordnance brand name in 1999 and reconstructed the company to bring about a civilian version of the famed Thompson submachine gun.

The new company quickly redesigned this legendary piece of equipment to fire from a closed bolt and only fire semiautomatically. These changes now allow the old warhorse to be available to nearly every consumer who wishes to own this iconic symbol of freedom without

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Today, Auto-Ordnance continues to build civilian-legal legends, such as this Thompson Submachine Gun.

the tax stamp or the five-figure price tag. Today's Tommy Guns are built to replicate the classic "Chicago Typewriter" and the war-winning G.I. M1. In addition, they can be found alongside specialty versions, including the SBR, Color Case Hardened and commemorative TIG series of Thompsons.

Auto-Ordnance also offers replica 1911s of yesteryear and brand-new production M1 carbines for the enthusiast looking to complete their World War II collection and not feel the guilt of firing a classic firearm.

## SOME LIKE 'EM THICK

Kahr is revered for making some of the thinnest pistols on the market. But what about those looking to go in the other direction?

Thinking such as this led the pistol manufacturer to investigate and eventually purchase Magnum Research, best known for its man-stopping Desert Eagle. In June 2010, the paperwork was finalized, and Kahr owned yet another iconic oun company.

Under the Magnum Research brand, Kahr continues to make the flagship Mark XIX gasoperated pistol in its infamous .50 Action Express cartridge. This pistol has been used in countless movies such as The Boondock Saints, The Purge, Deadpool (1 and 2) and the entire Matrix trilogy.

With the passing of meaningless laws in some states that establish an arbitrary weight limit of 50 ounces, Magnum Research fought back with the introduction of its 5-inch, lightweight L5 Desert Eagle pistol that weighs in at just 49.6 ounces. The first L5 was released in 2016—thumbing its proverbial nose at New York by a measly .4 ounce-and was chambered in the lighter .357 Magnum. The very next year, it was offered in the popular .44 Rem. Mag. and the time-honored .50 Action Express, just like its heavier forefather.

## "DIRTY HARRY" HAS NOTHING **ON THESE GOLIATHS**

Semiautos are fun, but if you really need to send some authority downrange, nothing beats Magnum Research's BFR line, which actually stands for "Biggest FINEST Revolver" (of course, most owners take a bit of artistic license and come up with a better-fitting acronym).

The Magnum Research BFR is the result of the question, "How big a cartridge can you really squeeze into a wheel gun?" and then presses the envelope with some all-American answers: Magnum Research offers these monsters in some surprisingly large calibers, including .30-30 Winchester, .45-70 Government and, new for 2018, .500 Linebaugh.

#### **LIGHT LONG GUNS**

Heavy pistols and light rifles seem to be an ongoing theme with the new Magnum Research. Although known for building the most robust hand "cannons" ever seen, these folks are also becoming well-known for building surprisingly light rimfire and centerfire rifles.

Utilizing the company's Magnum Lite technology, impressively strong and light graphite barrels are mated to some of the most popular actions in the world in several standard and custom configurations. Remington 700 and Ruger 10/22 actions serve as a perfect platform for a rifle that is easy to carry and exceptionally steady when shooting offhand.

### **DELIVERING THE "COOL FACTOR"**

Regardless of what you are looking to accomplish in the shooting sports arena, the Kahr Firearms group has an option to make your journey memorable. With brands such as Auto-Ordnance and Magnum Research, there is no other manufacturer that can deliver this much "cool factor" under one roof.

Check out some of the most legendary firearms in history at your local retailer, gun show or wherever awesome stuff happens. (For more information, visit Kahr.com.) 5W

# NEW Auto-Ordnance 1911 Custom

CASE HARDENED . VICTORY GIRLS . FLY GIRLS . SQUADRON





### MODEL: 1911GCH "CASE HARDENED"

The Auto-Ordnance Case Hardened 1911 custom pistols reflect the time honored method of conditioning steel Each gun is covered with distinct and unique patterns of color long sought after by firearms aficionados. The "Case Hardened"1911 is a work of art, with a beautiful, swirling finish. Beneath the colorful surface is an all steel, 5", "Gl"pattern 1911 pistol, chambered in powerful 45 ACP. The grips are checkered wood with the "US" Military logo,



## MODEL: 1911BKOWC1 "VICTORY GIRLS"

The Auto-Ordnance Victory Girls 1911 pistols are customized with deep cut laser engraved graphics depicting a pin-up girl on the right side, and an updated "Rosie the Riveter"on the left. Each gun also features the USAAC Star Roundel on both sides of the frame. A worn look is then applied by finishing the guns with Cerakote in Armor Black and Gunmetal Grey.



## MODEL: 1911BKOWC2 "FLY GIRLS"

The Auto-Ordnance Fly Girls 1911 honors the Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASPs) who played a vital role in the war effort. Over 1,000 women served as pilots, operating aircraft in non-combat positions so their male counterparts could directly engage the enemy. These women aviators were pioneers in the profession. By war's end, 38 had given their lives in service to their country.

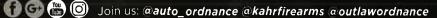


### MODEL: 1911BKOWC3 "SQUADRON"

The Auto-Ordnance Squadron 1911 pistols features custom graphics echoing those painted on fighter aircraft during WWII. The muzzle displays "shark mouth" nose art often seen on planes like the P-40 Warhawk. The Army Air Corps insignia is on both sides, and an engraved pattern of rivets covers the gun. The finish is a highly durable, worn black and grey Cerakote. The Squadron 1911 looks like a WWII fighter racing through the skies hunting bandits!







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