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# HIDE IT, FLAUNT IT, SLING IT, STUFF IT...



So you want to carry cross-draw while driving, strong-side while walkin', and horizontal in the small of your back whenever you dang well feel like it? Try Triple K Leather's #43 Triple Threat, which fits many medium- to large-frame pistols; shown here in a sweet "Havana Brown."

## COOL CARRY OPTIONS

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I've seen a lot of concealed-clothing designs, and these casual dress pants from CCW Breakaways are really slick! With a completely concealed handgun on one side and magazine or knife on the other, you can run, stoop, squat or kneel without restriction. They also make 'em in cargo pants — even shorts — with more styles coming!

Is it some kinda epidemic-level Shooters' Schizophrenia? There are at least a dozen companies now building subcompact mini-pocket-poppers in .380 or .32 ACP, including spanky-new models like I.O. Inc.'s *Hellcat* and the *Protector Series* from Masterpiece Arms, and at the same time, you can't swing a cat\* without somebody whackin' it with a monster Smith & Wesson 500. Then consider this: Right now, in this centennial year of John Moses Browning's classic, there are more outfits building more variants of 1911 pistols in 'way higher numbers than at any time in the past century!

I've got the sneakin' feeling if you see some guy packin' a shoulder-slung bigbore 'scoped revolver with a foot-long barrel, he'll have a Ruger LCR in his pocket, a Kel-Tec P-3AT stuffed in his boot, and a Kimber Custom 1911 in a shoulder holster. Hey; not that there's anything wrong with that, okay?

Fortunately for us, lotsa holster-makers, including a buncha new guys,



Designed by our own Pluperfect Publishing Potentate Roy-Boy back during the Jurassic, the Huntington Wedge crossdraw holster is still in strong demand at Haugen Handgun Leather. The interior wedge draws the butt in close to the body without additional straps, slots or inserts, and Jerry Evans handcrafts every one — at a production-run price! Here's mine, snugglin' my Kimber Pro TLE RL II.