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By S. Arya

Uncle Mike's offers unmatched holster fit and selection. When Uncle Mike's pioneered the use of nylon in holsters over 20 years ago, no one could have foreseen how much the invention would change the industry. Today's hunters, law enforcement agencies and the military rely on nylon holsters to stand up to the rigors of everyday carry.

Take for example the Uncle Mikes Sidekick Hip Holster:

Sidekick Hip Holsters are available in black selected sizes are Available in Realtree Hardwoods HDT" Camo. Sidekick holsters are versatile beyond compare.

Sidekick Hip Holsters are:

- Waterproof—Carry them anywhere, while hunting in the rain or shooting at range.
- Excellent Fit—Your gun carried tightly because the holster molds to the shape of your gun, yet returns to its original shape once the gun is removed.
- Wear Comfortably—Medium high ride design can be worn on a holster belt up to 2 1/4" wide or on a standard trouser belt.

Another fine example of an Uncle Mikes Nylon Holster includes the Sidekick Ambidextrous Hip Holsters

- Uncle Mikes ambidextrous holsters fit everyone and almost every need
- Fully ambidextrous holster easily converts from right to left-handed.
- Two holsters in one—Wear as a belt holster (fits belts up to 2 1/4" wide) or an inside-pant holster, just by reversing the belt clip. Secure -Non -stretch Velcro retention strap and molded thumb break keep your firearm secure. Holster includes a Strap Trap adjustment tool.

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- Durable—Constructed of our patented Sidekick laminate of Cordura nylon. Padded, waterproof interior holds the firearm snugly. Spring steel belt clip is powder coated for rust and corrosion resistance.

Uncle Mikes Holsters are like having a holster tailored to fit your needs. For example the Uncle Mikes Sidekick Vertical Shoulder Holster

- Super comfortable secure way to carry in the field

- If you're looking for comfort and ease in firearm carry, you'll find it in our vertical shoulder holsters

- Freedom of movement—Onside self-adjusting belt loop keeps holster close to your side. Fully adjustable shoulder harness has a self-centering back piece and its 2 1/2" wide nylon web straps distribute weight. Fits up to 48" chest.

- Choose how you carry— Offside tie-down anchors harness to belt and lets you carry a speedloader or magazine case vertically or horizontally. Can be worn inside or outside your jacket.

- Secure—Retention strap with combination adjustable buckle and snap keeps firearm in place.

- Scoped Holsters Available —Choose Black or Realtree Hardwoods HDT Camo. Left hand holsters available only in Black.

ProductWizard.com has been involved with the sales of Uncle Mikes for over six years and has a well rounded knowledge holsters. For further information go to

<http://www.productwizard.com/unclemikesholsters.html>

Pocket Holsters – A Helpful Guide

By Brad Justus

As more and more people migrate towards more discreet forms of concealed carry of handguns, many people frequently ask:

"What do you think of a pocket holster, and what do you recommend?"

My personal opinion is a pocket holster is an excellent method of CCW carry, especially for certain applications. As a matter of fact, it's become one of my first choices of CCW carry.

Let's take a look at pocket holsters and some useful features:

- * What is a pocket holster, and what is it designed to do?

- * What are pocket holsters made of?

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* Some important pocket holster features

* Our recommendations

What is a pocket holster, and what is it designed to do? A pocket holster is a small holster made to carry an equally small weapon in a front pocket, trouser pocket, or jacket pocket.

Well designed pocket holsters should do the following:

* Provide a safe method to carry a weapon in the pocket – Covering the trigger area, not only protects this area during your draw, but it also keeps debris out.

* Conceal the weapon – A properly constructed pocket holster should break–up the outline of the weapon in the pocket, and minimize printing.

* Make the weapon readily accessible – The pocket holster should be wide enough to keep the weapon in an upright, accessible position within the pocket.

* Allow for immediate and deployment– It should allow for quick access, a full firing grip, and quick weapon deployment from the pocket.

The problem is that many of the pocket holsters on the market today won't perform well in all the areas listed above. Some are strong in one area, but weak in another. Would you want to carry a pocket holster that conceals well, but is difficult to draw or one that draws well, but won't conceal? Don't worry, we'll be happy to help with our top recommendation down below.

What are pocket holsters made of?

Today pocket holsters on the market are usually produced from either:

Leather – About 80% of all pocket holsters on the market are made from leather. Some manufacturers use a stiff grade leather, while other use a softer style leather. The stiffer leather tends to be thicker in width, which can add to the overall bulk of the holster.

Nylon – Many of the lower priced pocket holsters are produced from nylon. Personally Ed and I feel that nylon isn't really strong enough for the daily rigors of a pocket holster, and feel that it lacks the rigidity to properly break–up the weapon outline. If you're on a really tight budget, than nylon pocket holsters are definitely going to be something for you to consider.

Kydex – As kydex continues to evolve in holster applications, a select few manufacturers are now using it to produce pocket holsters. As kydex is significantly more rigid and stronger than leather or nylon, the kydex pocket holsters tend to be very thin.

Some important features

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Release Device – Be careful about the release device that is used when the weapon is drawn from the pocket. Some manufacturers use a hook of some type (See holster pictured below), while others rely on friction or a combination of the two.

Be aware that, if these release devices fail or don't work properly; you could experience a draw problem or draw a holstered weapon in your time of need. We're not saying that these types of holsters don't work, we just want you to be aware of that possibility.

Concealability – An absolute must for CCW. Please realize that the level of concealability for pocket holsters will depend greatly on the size of the weapon carried. Pocket holsters are specifically designed for and work best with small handguns. Please be realistic with your concealment expectations. It's going to be almost impossible to conceal a Glock 19 in a front pocket holster (Although we've seen people try). Choose the right size weapon, and pocket carry becomes much simpler. Some popular weapons that we've seen conceal well in a pocket holster include:

- * Kel–Tec P–32
- * S&W J Frames
- * Small Kahr models
- * Beretta Tomcat
- * Colt Pony
- * NAA Guardian .380/.32
- * AMT Back–up

For more information about pocket holsters, please consider visiting

" target="_blank"><http://www.gunnersalley.com>.

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