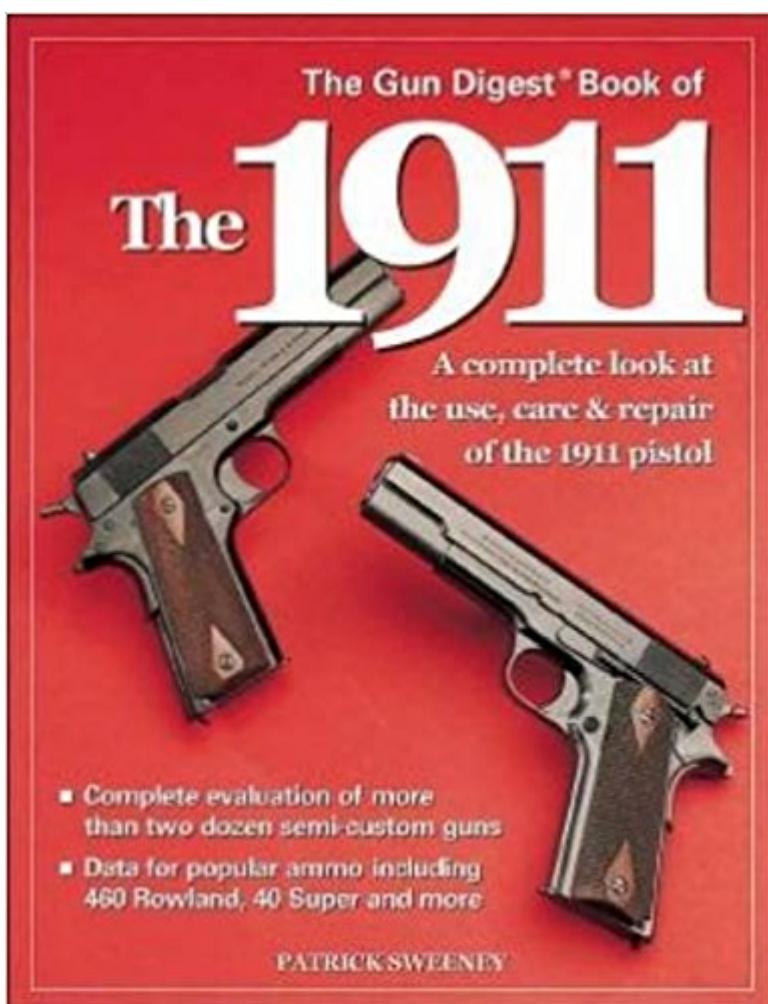


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Synopsis

Does Your 1911 Stack Up? When John Browning designed the Model 1911 pistol for Colt's Manufacturing Co. he created the standard by which pistols have been judged for more than 90 years. Now Patrick Sweeney provides the first in-depth look at the Model 1911 in all its forms, complete with information on ammunition, after-market parts and performance testing of semi-custom guns. This book shows you what the 1911 is and what it can become. If you own a 1911 now or have ever considered buying one, this book is for you.

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Customer Reviews

Patrick Sweeney is a certified master gunsmith, film consultant, certified armorer instructor for police departments nationwide, author of many of Gun Digest Books' best-selling titles, and Handguns Editor for America's largest general-circulation shooting magazine, *Guns & Ammo*.

Sweeney is a good author, and the two-volume Gun Digest Book of the 1911 is a must-have for any gun owner. There is limited DIY info in Vol. 1 (and I'm *still* waiting for Vol. 2), but there is some troubleshooting info. The general information on ammunition, training and competition will be useful to novices. I enjoyed the sections on the specific brands. I won't ever buy one of these, but reading their pros and cons helps put my own humble budget 1911 in perspective. I couldn't find a publication date on the book, or a copyright, so I'm not sure when this was actually printed (the descriptions in AZ are often *not* for the actual book that is shipped, if there are multiple printings). I

thought that was a bit odd. No real drawbacks to this book, a good addition to any owner's library.

Great read- excellent reference. This author is a definite authority on all thing guns and it shows in this book. A definite bargain.. THANK YOU

There are few books or articles I have not read on the 1911 and this book is by far the best! Patrick Sweeney has a gift in turning a "how to" book into an easy page turner and written in simple English. I often refer it to reloaders as the chapter Patrick has on reloading packs more helpful information and tips then most reloading books hundreds of pages long! I can't recommend it enough! I own dozens of custom 1911's and have talked to and researched many sources, but for the money...this is a bargain!

Good book.

This is an interesting and well-written book, with lots of good photos. It didn't dwell as much on the old original 1911 A1 as I had hoped. Of course, there is SO much stuff out there on the 1911, that I guess Sweeney had to do something different to get readership. I appreciated the summary of so many custom variants on the 1911. I wasn't aware of most of them. And the reviews covered a depth of insight that I could never get from a few minutes at the range with these weapons. I did feel that there were too many times Sweeney talked about taking the gun to your personal gunsmith for tuning. I guess that not many of us have direct access to "our own gunsmith" or to the resources to be able to afford such a luxury. Or to firing tens of thousands of ball ammo and then switching to custom loads to fully check out a weapon. All in all, this was a great book for the price.

The Gun Digest books for the 1911, volumes 1 and 2, are the best reference work available for 1911 owners, shooters and enthusiasts. Short of the Kunhausen manuals for the 1911, they are probably the most complete reference work available. Well edited and quite readable, the information is organized logically and easy to follow. The Kindle versions suffer from some slight formatting issues, but are easier to carry around than the paperbacks.

I will readily admit to being a rabid fan of John Browning's Model Of 1911 pistol. That usually means anything I find to read about the model I do, though the majority of it is just rehashing the same information. This books doesn't provide any real insight into the model or design that hasn't already

been published in a dozen other books. But what the author does is give a good overview of the weapon and some models, uses and experiences he has had with it himself. Patrick Sweeney is a gunsmith, competitor and writer and it shows. His writing is easy to read and understand without being overly simple. The book works well for casual reading or reference. That said I would recommend a glance through a copy at a local book store before buying for most people. For a very good book about the history and lineage of the wonderful M1911 pistol I recommend a look at Patrick's newest book, 1911 The First Hundred Years.

I have read gun reviews by Mr. Sweeney many times and always found them to be well done. Now I know why. Sweeney's knowledge is experience based. What impressed me as I read was just how much and how varied his experience is. Much of the book is framed within a real-life factual story and so the reader can be confident that the material is not from a regurgitated theory. I have a lot of respect for the author, enjoyed the book and learned.

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