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C204GP Pattada™

MSRP: \$289.95 OVERALL: 8.67in 220mm BLADE: 3.9in 99mm EDGE: 3.69in 94mm WEIGHT: 4.2oz 119g **GRIND:** Full-Flat **ORIGIN:** Italy

Spyderco's unique Ethnic Series is an ongoing project to recognize and pay tribute to the world's distinctive ethnic knives by expressing them in modern form with the finest materials and manufacturing methods. The latest member of this elite family is the Pattada, which draws its name from the cutlery capitol of Sardinia, an autonomous region of Italy and the second largest island in the Mediterranean. Pattada is best known for its production of traditional Sardinian ethnic knives called resolzas. For generations, local artisans in Pattada have specialized in hand crafting this classic shepherd's folding knife pattern, which features a long, narrow blade with a pronounced belly that tapers to an acute point. *Resolza* handles are traditionally made with genuine ram's horn scales supported by a steel backspacer and a wraparound metal bolster that reinforces the blade's pivot pin. Mirroring the knife's blade, the handle shape is long and narrow, terminating with a distinctive "pinky hook" at the butt end.

Original resolza knives were true friction folders and had no springs or mechanical locking mechanisms to secure the blade in the open position. Although many resolza are still made in this way, this iconic pattern can also be found expressed as a nonlocking slipjoint with a backspring in the handle and as a classic leaf-spring-powered, button-fired automatic knife. Still the everyday cutting tool of choice of the people of Sardinia, the resolza is also widely known as a "Pattada" knife because of its close association with the city where it is made.

Spyderco's Pattada takes the classic lines and timeless styling of the original resolza and expresses them with state-of-the-art materials and manufacturing methods. Its unmistakable blade shape, characterized by a straight clip point and long curved cutting edge, is faithfully executed in Böhler-Uddeholm N690Co steel-a highperformance stainless steel alloyed with cobalt, molybdenum, and vanadium. Like the traditional version, the blade features a full-flat grind and PlainEdge™ cutting edge; however, it also includes Spyderco's Trademark Round Hole[™] for swift, positive onehanded opening.

The Pattada's gracefully contoured handle faithfully maintains the classic lines of the original, but expresses them with high-tech modern materials. Its full stainless steel liners provide exceptional structural strength and form the foundation of the knife's sturdy LinerLock mechanism. They are joined by stainless steel standoffs that create an open-backed construction to reduce weight and simplify cleaning. Meticulously machined G-10 scales enclose the liners and provide a contoured, extremely comfortable grip. A proud member of Spyderco's CLIPIT[™] family, the Pattada includes a deep-pocket wire clip that offers convenient tip-up access and is reversible for carry on either side of the body.

Fittingly manufactured in Maniago, Italy, Spyderco's Pattada is an extraordinary fusion of traditional ethnic design and state-of-the-art manufacturing and materials.



Mother's Day Gift Guide

Have you been racking your brain trying to figure out what to get Mom for Mother's Day? Well, rest easy, because we've got you covered with our Mother's Day gift guide. Whether it's a pocket or purse-friendly everyday cutter, a new knife for the kitchen, or a Tri-Angle Sharpmaker to keep everything she owns at peak sharpness, Spyderco has what it takes to make Mom happy.

Here are some of our favorite Mom-worthy gifts:

LPRP3 Ladybug[™] 3 Purple - Mom will never be without a sharp edge with this amazingly convenient carry-anywhere cutting tool.

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In Memory of Jess Horn

It was with great sadness that Spyderco learned of the passing of custom knifemaking pioneer Jess Horn on February 14, 2016. Jesse Leon Horn, Jr. began making knives in the early 1970's in a chainsaw-repair shop in Redding, California. Although he began the craft as a hobby, he ultimately became a full-time maker and was admired and respected for his exquisitely crafted custom folding knives.

In addition to being a pioneer in the custom knifemaking world, Horn also had a profound influence on one of Spyderco's founders, Sal Glesser. In the early 1970's Glesser was also living in Redding, California and working as a cabinetmaker. One day, one of Glesser's friends who knew of Sal's lifelong fascination with knives suggested they go visit a man in Redding who was making collector's quality folding knives by hand. That man was Jess Horn.

Glesser visited Horn's shop and had the pleasure of handling two of Horn's handcrafted gentlemen's folders. At that time, Sal already had years of experience in close-tolerance manufacturing in the aerospace industry, but he was absolutely stunned by the meticulous precision of Horn's work. He was also impressed with the prices Horn was able to charge for his knives and was convinced that there was a viable market for distinctive, high-quality folding knives. When Sal ultimately left Redding in 1976, his parting words to his friends were that he was "going to be a knifemaker."

Sal was not only true to those words, but he also never forgot the impact that Horn and his craftsmanship had in shaping his destiny. When Spyderco pioneered the concept of collaborating with custom knifemakers on factory-made designs, Horn was high on Sal's list of designers. Horn ultimately collaborated with Spyderco on three models, all of which sought to faithfully translate Horn's meticulous craftsmanship into production folding knives.

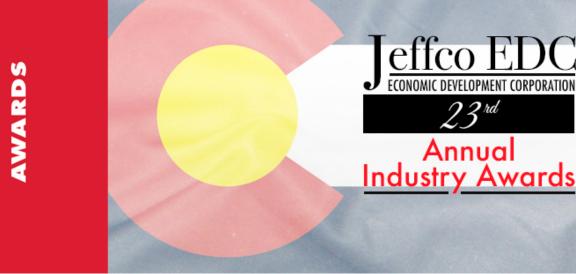
Jess Horn's legacy is much more than a lifetime of finely crafted handmade knives. It also includes planting the seed that inspired Sal and the Glesser family to make Spyderco what it is today. We offer our deepest sympathies to the Horn family on Jess' passing, and our deepest gratitude for life-changing inspiration he provided.



Karahawk[™] CQI - Constant Quality Improvement

The Karahawk–Spyderco's folding interpretation of the traditional karambit–just got better. This iconic knife features a ring at the butt end of the handle that allows it to be spun around the index finger with specific martial arts techniques. To make these specialized tactics even more effective, the Karahawk now features a reinforced ring. A layer of G-10 has been added between the handle's stainless steel liners to strengthen the structure and provide increased surface area. The internal corners of the ring's hole have also been radiused to eliminate square edges and ensure smooth, comfortable manipulation.





Local Recognition

Spyderco was recently honored to receive a Business Recognition Award from Colorado's Jefferson County Economic Development Corporation. This prestigious award is given to select companies within the county that exhibit growth in primary employment and capital investment. Spyderco's founders Sal and Gail Glesser accepted the award for Spyderco and, along with the entire Spyderco Crew, are extremely proud to be part of an innovative and growing Colorado community!



OKCA Show

From April 8-10, 2016, the Spyderco Crew participated in the annual Oregon Knife Collectors Association (OKCA) annual show in Eugene, Oregon. Organized and sponsored by the OKCA-an organization of more than 1,200 hardcore knife enthusiasts and collectors-the show featured manufacturers, custom knifemakers, and a wide range of collectors' exhibits of rare and historic knives. Attracting more than 4,000 knife enthusiasts from all over the Northwest, the OKCA Show was a great success and a wonderful opportunity for us to connect with old friends and end users. Our sincere thanks to everyone who supported the show and took the time to visit with us!





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