

# Are These Your Best Options When Choosing Firearms?

*Everyone has their opinion on what gun is the best on the market, and the more they've shot, the more likely they are to have very firmly set opinions.*

Not only that, but they're sure to be very vocal in making those opinions known. Each shooter who joins that discussion is going to throw another gun into the pot. While there might be some agreement that certain guns are superior to the majority of what's sold out there, it's unlikely that you'll ever find consensus on one best gun.

## **Let's face it: there is no one best gun on the market.**

Different guns are designed for different purposes, and everything about their design, from the caliber to the optics, reflected that purpose. But when you try to take that same firearm and use it for something else, it might stink.

This makes it so that selecting a gun to be your personal survival gun is largely a process of making compromises. How you see the various survival priorities and how you plan on getting through a survival scenario is going to affect the choices that you make. Hopefully, we'll all make the right ones.

But then there's the other problem: buying those guns.

[Here's our opinion on 5 Outstanding Firearms \(+Their Budget-Friendly Alternatives\)](#)

# Your family comes first, right?

When it comes to protecting yourself and your family, it's crucial that you have the proper defensive items to do that.

If a firearm is your weapon of choice, make sure it's one that will work well if you need to use it at home. If you want our recommendation without reading this entire article, we suggest the short barreled AR-15 rifle in 300 AAC Blackout, 7.5in barrel. Additionally, we recommend getting a tactical light and laser for it, along with a sling and a 30 round magazine.



When choosing a home defense weapon you need to remember a few variables.

1. Cost
2. Training
3. Maneuverability
4. Bullet penetration
5. Stopping power
6. Storage

Cost is simple – budget your firearm purchases and training. Typically, \$500 will buy entry level firearms, while \$3,000

will buy high end match weapons. Start low, and you can always sell your firearms to upgrade down the line.

[See other aspects to keep in mind when getting Guns For Your Family's Protection](#)

## **What are your survival needs?**

The enormous interest in the topic may lead you to believe you have to own as many guns as possible, be a professional marksman, have military or law enforcement experience, and be an avid hunter.

The truth is you don't need to have an arsenal in your home or in dozens of caches hidden away in any area that you may have to bug out to. You do, however, need to be able to meet certain needs and have sufficient capacity and training to hit whatever you are aiming at using the fewest number of bullets.

While there is no exact number of guns you should or should not own, you can arrive at a minimum to maximum range that will work for you and your family or survival group.

When picking ammunition for the self-defense, home defense, hunting, and other survival needs, it is to your advantage to use the same calibers as the local police/sheriff departments, the military, and what is popular in your area for hunting and recreation. Usually, gun shops and sporting goods stores will carry extra ammo in popular hunting calibers, as well as for active duty military, law enforcement personnel, and local recreational shooters.

[See what firearms you should have depending on your Survival Needs](#)



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