

Ek Commando Knife Company

SUPPLIERS OF MILITARY KNIVES TO MEN IN ALL BRANCHES OF THE AMERICAN ARMED FORCES

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". . . the finest survival knife here at Ft. Benning."

-- U.S. Army Officer, re: his Ek Commando Knife

"I'm not kidding when I say that you could easily spend half again as much, and not buy nearly as much knife! Ek Knives have been around for more than 40 years, but they've never been as good as they are right now."

-- Knife World field test by B. R. Hughes

Dear Friend:

If you travel in harm's way as a military man, professional adventurer, weekend hunter, policeman or private citizen who could become a victim of crime . . . and if you are looking for America's uncompromising, battle-proyen knives, you've come to the right place.

Ek Commando Knives are <u>battle proven</u> in <u>three</u> wars: World War II, Korea and Vietnam. By owning one, you'll let the world know you <u>know</u> fine knives.

Yes, you'll own the <u>leading</u> private-purchase military fighting knife in American history. Over 100,000 Americans used our knives in World War II alone.

To allow that to happen, the War Production Board had to actually test and approve our knives. Our's are the <u>only private-purchase military knives</u> we know of ever approved by the War Production Board.

For many years our knives were available only to military troops. We still give first preference to our men in uniform. But we now also serve civilians who recognize and appreciate fine knives.

When you order an Ek Commando Knife, you get, pound for pound, dollar for dollar, the most <u>rugged</u>, <u>most effective</u>—the <u>most lethal</u>—military knife available anywhere in the world. We guarantee it.

At a time when most knives are made in Japan, your knife will be made in America, by Americans, for Americans. We're patriotic and proud to say "Made in the USA!" We have been since 1941.

Where the makers of hollow-handled knives put air, we put a bar of solid steel. Expensive, precision-ground steel runs the full length of our knife.

It's made with more steel than any other knife of its type and size. The full-tang design (a solid bar of steel runs though—and extends beyond—the grips) means unbeatable strength and value.

Ek Commando Knives aren't for Girl Scouts or Hollywood movies. They're for military men and professional adventurers--men who know good knives. No other knife comes close. We make them this way because if your knife doesn't survive you might not either.

Your Ek Commando Knife is sharp enough to shave with . . . and it'll stay sharp. It can puncture a steel oil drum, open ammo boxes and rations, and still draw blood when you test its edge. The wasp-waisted blade design increases the cutting and slashing power of the razor-polished edge.

A fine knife is often a "fighting man's heirloom." Time and time again we've heard from men who saved their skins with an Ek Commando Knife in World War II and handed their knives down to their sons who carried them in 'Nam.

That's the kind of personal value an Ek knife has. That's the American military tradition you share when you own an Ek Commando Knife.

If you're a military man on active or reserve duty, you can wear any Ek knife in the field with pride. It'll identify you as a man who knows good knives. Or, if you're a hunter or outdoorsman, you won't find a more useful or more reliable knife anywhere at any price. This battle-tested knife can't be beat.

 $\tt Combat$ troops know what Ek Commando Knives are worth and pay for them out of their own pockets.

We make fewer knives per week than most companies make in a day--some in a single hour! So, our knives will always be rare--becoming collector's items and possibly good investments. A knife expert writing in the National Knife Collectors Club Magazine recently stated:

"I plan to have mine salted away before they are as hard to find as the earlier models".

Let me send you one to inspect and try out. If you find it to be anything less than you'd like, just send it back within 45 days and I'll send you a complete refund.

You see, I know you'll be impressed with our knives; they are battle proven!

Sincerely,

Joseph Cusumano General Manager

P.S. Enclosed is our first new catalog in years, featuring our upgraded line. Our knives are nearly impossible to find except through our catalog,

so please be sure to hang on to it.