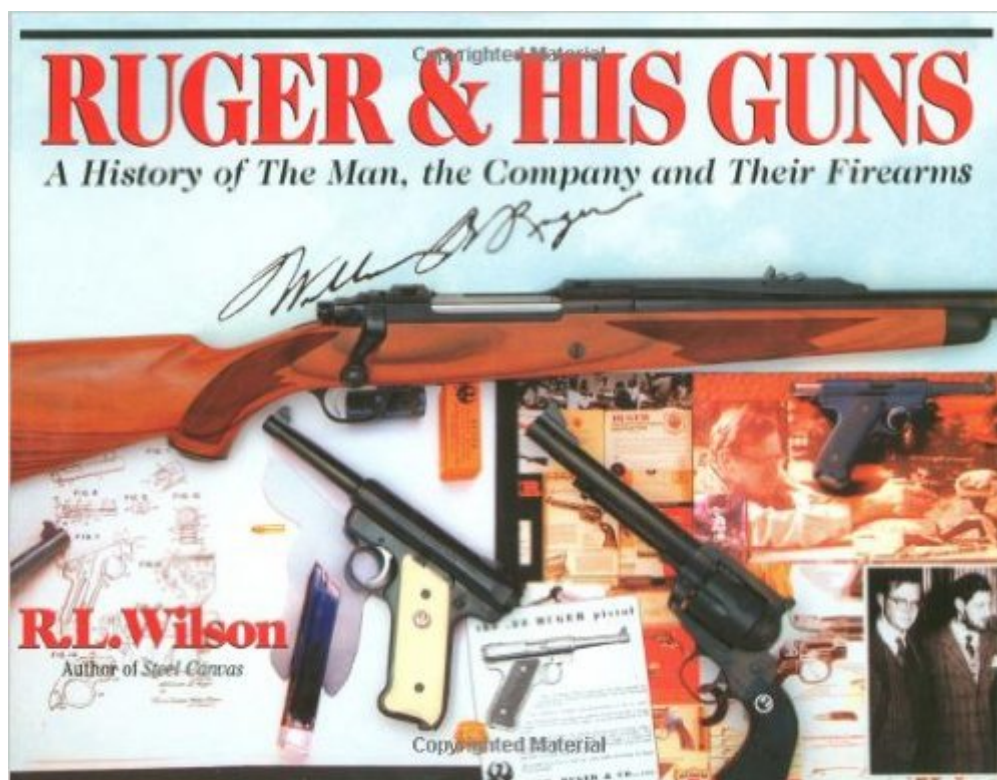


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# Ruger & His Guns: A History Of The Man, The Company & Their Firearms



## Synopsis

This book is the story of William B. Ruger's unflinching dedication to traditional yet innovative design and to manufacturing excellence, with products sold at a reasonable price for a broad ranging clientele from the youthful plinker to the mature African safari devotee, from the ordinary citizen to the president of the United States. This richly illustrated, beautifully presented work is the official history of William B. Ruger of Sturm, Ruger & Co., and of Ruger firearms. This volume features more than 185 color and over 100 black and white illustrations, with appendixes, index, and -- for the first time--serial number tables for all models by years of manufacture.

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This book is perfect for anyone interested in the history of Sturm, Ruger and Co. The information is presented in a very organized fashion. I highly recommend this book at twice the price.

In 1949, just after World War II, all of the gun manufacturing companies faced a problem of selling guns in the commercial market. The Government had extensive stocks of guns like Endfields, Springfields, Colt .45's and of course any number of foreign guns and were beginning to sell these guns on the commercial market. It was obviously a stupid time to go into the gun manufacturing business. In 1949 Bill Ruger entered the gun business with one gun being manufactured by a very small company. The gun was the Ruger .22 Standard Pistol which was an instant hit and is still in production as the Mark III. Every few years since then there has been a new gun from the folk at

Ruger, each of which has pioneered new design principles that has made nearly all of the guns a success. In this book, R.L. Wilson has produced a masterpiece of a book that describes all of the guns produced by the company as well as a history of the company and the man. It's an excellent addition to any gun lovers library.

If you happen to find Ruger one of your weapons favorite's, well this is the book for you.....It breaks it down to serial NO's and dates of manufactures without the usual garble of too many detailed scaled pages to read first. It's a well done, very well bound book that will be in my my family for years. I also have books on several other brands of books of my favorite weapons, but Ruger has them hands fown on this book.

BOOK IS ALL I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE! WELL-WRITTEN, COMPLETE HISTORY OF THE MAN AND HIS COMPANY, HIS DREAMS AND IDEAS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS. IT'S INTRIGUING TO READ THE BACKGROUND OF A PERSON WHO HAS CREATED SO MUCH AND BEEN A PIONEER IN THE AMERICAN FIREARMS INDUSTRY AND, JUST AS INTERESTING, TO UNDERSTAND THE MINDSET AND DETERMINATION AND SACRIFICE IT TOOK TO REACH HIS PLACE IN HISTORY. AND, THE DESCRIPTIONS OF THE TECHNOLOGY AND ART OF STURM RUGER FIREARMS IS FASCINATING. REALLY GLAD I BOUGHT THE BOOK.

I bought this book for its in-depth manufacturing detail and history on Ruger's Hawkeye .256 "pistol." It has the best factory information of any reference I have seen, on this rare handgun. I found it to be an extra added bonus - but the story it tells about Bill Ruger's life and his family's life, and the early history of the company, including the early "officers" such as Alex Sturm is very, very good.

From the first Standard Auto, to Flatgate Single Six's, Flattop Blackhawks, Hawkeye's, Bearcat's, Model 77s, Redhawks, you name it, it is all in here. I love this book. It is the best book on Ruger firearms that you can buy.

Would have been perfect except for the book not being attached to the spine as has been reported by others. Rather than return it I checked with local library who recommended an Elmer's repair which worked fine. Book is as good as new now and one of the best available on this topic. Waiting now for the new book due out in six months covering handguns,.

This is the 2nd book I ordered. The first one fell apart but I really liked the book itself, so I ordered a new one. I did not return it or get a refund on either book. This one was delivered and right out of the package, it is completely out of the binding. The replacement took longer to get, which was really good about letting me know when it would come, but I am not going to try for a 3rd one. Will just try to fix this one myself.

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