Kit Carson’s Hawken Rifle, right hand

This fine Kit Carson’s Hawken rifle was created from Track’s best parts, curly maple, traditional iron trim, one inch octagon barrel, by Brant Selb

Kit Carson’s Hawken rifle features a one inch octagon barrel, for moderate weight. The Hawken percussion lock and double set triggers, made by R. E. Davis, were designed by the noted gun maker Ron Long of Denver. Lighter than our Jim Bridger’s Hawken rifle, and later in design, this is our most popular Hawken Rifle parts kit, and we offer both right and left hand versions.

Our hooked breech is direct drilled for instant ignition, with no right angle turn inside the breech. The hooked breech and wedge keys allow the barrel to be instantly dismounted for easy cleaning, without tools. Notice the long steel tang that extends behind the barrel, to strengthen the wrist.

Each part is offered separately. Order our whole set, or any individual piece. If you ever need a spare part, we can identify it from this list.

More complex than our flint longrifle parts kits, a Hawken rifle is not recommended as a first gun making project, unless you have machinist skills, or an experienced mentor to guide your work. This is a good third project. The tang and lock inletting are slightly undersize, to allow hand fitting for perfect alignment of the hammer and nipple. Correct assembly requires a knowledge of breech and lock geometry, the skilled use of inletting chisels to finish the pre-inlet stock, plus abrasives, stains, and reagents for wood and metal finishing. You will need access to a sturdy drill press, to drill and tap the few screw holes.

Order our Kit Carson Hawken parts kit for an 1” straight octagon barrel, in either right or left hand. We consider this Hawken rifle parts kit to be a moderately advanced project, suitable for an experienced hobby gun maker. Assembly requires the skilled use of a drill press, and file fitting of the lock plate notch to accept the breech plug bolster. Our Kit Carson’s Hawken rifle parts kit, with 1” straight octagon barrel, is the ideal choice of the Hawken purist, re-enactor, or big game hunter.