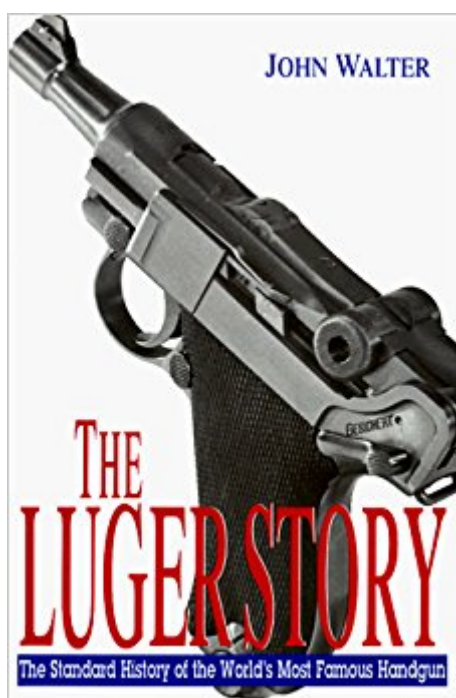


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# The Luger Story: The Standard History Of The World's Most Famous Handgun



## Synopsis

The full story of Germany's most successful handgun from its creation to the present day.

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This book not only was better than described but the information it contained was better than anticipated. Wonderful illustrations and a detailed account of the Luger history. Also good serial number documentation. Arrived promptly from seller.

Comprehensive and well written. Extremely detail oriented but I still couldn't put it down.

Good information but too less pictures

The author, John Walter, is a leading writer on military firearms. His other books include, 'Luger', 'The Luger Book', and 'Rifles of the World.' The Luger pistol is probably the most immediately recognizable pistol in the world. I doubt if any silhouette is better known, unless perhaps it is the Colt .45 Single Action Army. The first Luger was produced toward the end of the 19th century, when Georg Luger came up with it as an improvement on the Borchardt pistol. This book is an extensive history of the Luger, from its inception (and before) to the present. It will be of great interest to Luger

aficionados, as well as to firearms enthusiasts who are merely appreciative of its unusual design. The Luger is unlike any other pistol in current production. Yes, it is still produced and available from Stoeger Firearms Company, an American company that has owned the Luger name since the 1920s. As a matter of fact, I have one that was manufactured in Houston, Texas, of stainless steel, with a six-inch barrel. The Germans do not call the pistol the 'Luger,' but rather, 'Pistolen-08,' because it was adopted by the German Army in 1908. The Swiss adopted it first, in 7.65 mm in 1900, with the first pistols arriving for service in 1901. The German Army adopted it in the 9mm 'Parabellum' (for war) caliber. The Luger is easily identified in silhouette by the unusual toggle action, on the top rear of the receiver, and the raked grip, which makes the pistol a 'natural pointer.' This book, in addition to a detailed text concerning the history and variations of the pistol, also contains many fine photographs of specimens, many in a special center section on coated paper. There are also several detail drawings of interest, and descriptions of many of the markings of the various versions offered. This is a book that will be especially of interest to people who are attracted to famous firearms, and of course to Luger collectors. Joseph Pierre, Author, Handguns and Freedom...their care and maintenance and other books

The Luger Story covers the entire history of the Luger pistol, from the original design concept of the toggle action in the 1800's, to the last production run of pistols in the 20th century. A very interesting volume for history-minded persons as the author includes biographical information about those persons associated with Luger development, as well as information about those companies pertinent to its manufacture. Also present is commentary on the times surrounding Luger advancement, and useful explanations are provided about what motivated development choices at particular times. The book includes an index of all Luger production runs, with relevant dates and other information, as well as a "rarity index." The result is a comprehensive volume about the Luger pistol and the facts relevant to its history.

This is a great book. I had some issues with the seller, but we were able to resolve them, for the most part.

Very Interesting history on the Luger now that I have one of my own.

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