JAMES PURDEY & SONS

Purdey has been making the world’s finest shotguns, rifles and shooting accessories since 1814 when James Purdey opened his first shop on Princes Street in London.

In 1878, the company was awarded a Royal Warrant by Her Majesty Queen Victoria. This followed the award of our first warrant in 1868 from The Prince of Wales, who later became King Edward VII.

Purdey is proud to have received the Royal Warrant from every succeeding British monarch and today possesses Royal Warrants from Her Majesty The Queen, HRH The Duke of Edinburgh and HRH The Prince of Wales.

Whilst, over the last two centuries, much of the world may have changed, a Purdey represents the ethos of a ‘Best’ London gunmaker. It represents perfection.
A Purdey is designed to last more than a lifetime. In the world of shooting, there is nothing more special than ordering a Purdey shotgun or rifle.

Each and every aspect of the gun, including the stock and style of engraving, is chosen by you. It is built to your exact and detailed specifications. Our craftsmen build your gun to your measurements so as to ensure it fits you perfectly.

Skilled gun fitting is an art and James Purdey was known as its absolute master. Today, as part of the process of ordering a gun, we invite our clients to have a fitting with our partners at the West London Shooting School, who we have used for over 80 years.
JAMES WOODWARD & COMPANY

Purdey acquired James Woodward & Company in 1948 and since that date has continued to make Woodward shotguns, which are highly sought after by the most discerning shots. We still follow the original Woodward numbering and the guns feature the trademark arcaded fences as well as the iconic fine scroll engraving.

PURDEY GUNMAKING IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Purdeys are manufactured in-house by our skilled craftsmen who focus on perfecting the shape, fit and finish of each and every part. It is passion that endows their work with individuality and soul. Thanks to the mixture of evolution, innovation and refinement in our processes, our guns are made with a level of accuracy never possible in our founder’s day. We have a tradition of continued investment and use the latest computer-aided tooling.
A Purdey Side-by-Side incorporates the innovative and beautifully engineered self-opening mechanism that was designed and developed by the Purdey employee, Frederick Beesley, in 1880.

Using the residual power of the mainspring, the Beesley Action means a Purdey Side-by-Side is a true “self-opener”, allowing for much faster loading. This is something that is appreciated today as it has been by the great shots throughout the centuries.
Purdey offers dedicated action sizes on all its guns in square, round or ultra-round bar action shapes. This gives each gauge perfect proportions and is extremely important to the weight, balance and feel.

**CALIBRES**
.410, 28, 20, 16, 12 and 10-bore on dedicated action sizes.

**CHAMBERS**
2¾” and 3”.

**BARRELS**
Chopper-lump construction, length on request.

**CHOKES**
Fixed or choke inserts.

**RIB**
Concave game, semi bottom or Churchill type rib in matted, plain finish or file cut.

**ACTION**
Square bar, round bar or ultra-round bar.

**TRIGGERS**
Non-selective single trigger.
Double triggers with optional spring bladed front trigger.

**GUARD**
Flat or beaded edge to trigger bow.

**SAFETY**
Automatic or non-automatic.

**STOCK**
Straight or pistol grip.
Chequered butt or leather covered recoil pad. Heel and toe pieces.
Skeleton heel plate. Full heel plate. Gold or silver oval. Inlaid gold or silver letters.

**ENGRAVING & FINISH**
Traditional fine rose and scroll with colour-hardened or bright finish.
Additional extra finish engraving options on request.

**OUR SIDE-BY-SIDE GUNS ARE BUILT ON THE FAMOUS SELF-OPENING SYSTEM PATENTED BY FREDERICK BEESLEY IN 1881.**

**12-BORE**
6 lb 10 oz (3.01 kg) – 6 lb 14 oz (3.12 kg)

**16-BORE**
6 lb 4 oz (2.84 kg) – 6 lb 12 oz (3.06 kg)

**20-BORE**
5 lb 15 oz (2.69 kg) – 6 lb 4 oz (2.84 kg)

**28-BORE**
5 lb 2 oz (2.32 kg) – 5 lb 10 oz

.410 barrels on a 28-bore gun

**PURDEY CAN SUPPLY EXTRA BARRELS IN A DIFFERENT CALIBRE IN THE FOLLOWING COMBINATIONS**

- 20-bore barrels on a 16-bore gun
- 28-bore barrels on a 20-bore gun
- .410 barrels on a 28-bore gun

**WEIGHTS OF GUNS**

Weights of guns can be designated at ordering.
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.410 barrels on a 28-bore gun

THE OVER-AND-UNDER GUN IS AVAILABLE IN DEDICATED ACTION SIZES IN ALL CALIBRES IN SQUARE, ROUND OR ULTRA-ROUND ACTION SHAPES.

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WEIGHTS OF GUNS

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Throughout the early part of the 20th century, Over-and-Under shotguns became increasingly popular. However, despite an increase in demand, Athol Purdey was reluctant to develop the Purdey version. His sons, James and Tom, were not to be deterred and in 1923 they persuaded their father to reconsider his objections. It was from then on that the design began to evolve.

The biggest single change occurred 25 years later when, in 1948, Purdey bought James Woodward & Sons, a gunmaker famed for their Over-and-Under shotgun and the mechanism it used. This acquisition provided Purdey with the outstanding and unrivalled design that it has used ever since.
DAMASCUS SIDE-BY-SIDE

Our Side-by-Side Damascus shotguns were a world first. Crafted using Swedish Damasteel, the gun has exceptional strength.

Our Damascus shotguns come in all available bores on dedicated actions. The absence of engraving reveals the extraordinary patterns unique to Damascus steel. Typically, we only engrave these guns with standard lettering or gold inlay so as to emphasise the dramatic look of the gun.

DAMASCUS OVER-AND-UNDER

The Over-and-Under, like the Damascus Side-by-Side, uses steel specially produced for Purdey with a proprietary ‘powder metallurgy’ technology. This result is a stunning blend of centuries-old craft with the best modern steels.
Purdey’s all-Damascus shotguns come in all available calibres on dedicated actions. The absence of engraving reveals the extraordinary patterns offered by Damascus steel. We simply name and number these guns with standard lettering or gold inlay, to bring out the unique look of the metal.

**AVAILABLE IN SIDE-BY-SIDE AND OVER-AND-UNDER CONFIGURATIONS**

**CALIBRES**
.410, 28, 20, 16 and 12 on dedicated action sizes.

**CHAMBERS**
2¾” and 3”.

**BARRELS**
Demi-bloc barrels, length on request.

**CHOokes**
Fixed or choke inserts.

**RIB**
Options as per standard steel guns.

**ACTION**
Square bar, round bar or ultra-round bar.

**TRIGGERS**
Non-selective single trigger. Double triggers with optional spring bladed front trigger.

**GUARD**
Flat or beaded edge to trigger bow.

**SAFETY**
Automatic or non-automatic.

**STOCK**
Straight or pistol grip. Chequered butt or leather covered recoil pad. Heel and toe pieces. Skeleton heel plate. Full heel plate. Gold or silver oval. Inlaid gold or silver letters.

**ENGRAVING & FINISH**
J Purdey & Sons in gold on barrels, J Purdey & Sons on action bolsters, Purdey on underside or end of forend iron.

**WEIGHTS OF GUNS**

**SIDE-BY-SIDE**

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<td>5 lb 2 oz (2.32 kg) – 5 lb 8 oz (2.49 kg)</td>
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Weights of guns can be designated at ordering.
The timeless elegance of the hammer gun has been brilliantly recaptured by Purdey craftsmen. They are wonderful to handle and to shoot. The Purdey Hammer Gun, now available in 20-Bore, is every bit as delightful to use and beautiful to behold as its 19th century predecessors.

### The Hammer Gun is Available in Dedicated 12 and 20-Bore Action Sizes.

**Calibres**
- 20 and 12-bore on dedicated action sizes.

**Chambers**
- 2¾” and 3”.

**Barrels**
- Chopper lump construction, length on request. Damas barrels additional option.

**Chokes**
- Fixed or choke inserts.

**Rib**
- Concave game or semi bottom rib in Churchill type matted, plain finish or file cut.

**Action**
- Square bar.

**Triggers**
- Double triggers with optional spring bladed front.

**Guard**
- Flat or headed edge to trigger bow.

**Safety**
- Automatic or non-automatic.

**Stock**
- Straight or pistol grip.
- Chequered butt or leather covered recoil pad. Heel and toe pieces.
- Skeleton heel plate. Full heel plate.
- Gold or silver oval. Inlaid gold or silver letters.

**Engraving & Finish**
- Traditional fine rose and scroll with colour-hardened or bright finish.
- Additional extra finish engraving options on request.

**Weights of Guns**

- **12-Bore** from 6 lb 8 oz (2.94 kg) – 7 lb (3.06 kg)
- **20-Bore** from 5 lb 15 oz (2.69 kg) – 6 lb 4 oz (2.83 kg)
Throughout the history of gunmaking, a number of the ‘Great Shots’ preferred shooting with a hammer gun. In 2004, our craftsmen re-captured the elegance of a classic 12-bore Purdey hammer gun. The result is a gun that is wonderful to handle and a thrill to shoot. In recent years we have also produced our 20-bore hammer gun, which is every bit as magical.
In the mid-1800s, James Purdey the Younger named his new rifle calibres ‘Express’ after the trains of that era which were the fastest thing in the world. In today’s nitro age, the word ‘express’ has become intrinsically linked to the term ‘nitro express’, now used by double rifle makers the world over.

Throughout its history, Purdey has built many rifles in many calibres for sportsmen across the world.
DOUBLE RIFLE OPTIONS

CALIBRES
From 5.6 x 52R – .600 Nitro Express. All rifles are made on dedicated action sizes and relevant calibres can be advised on purchase.

BARRELS
Chopper-lump barrels to required length.

SIGHTS
Express sights with folding leaves to required distances and telescopic sights available on quick detachable mounts. Folding or slip-off shroud. Moon sight.

ACTION
Traditional square bar bolstered action. Third grip and clip sides. Extended top and bottom straps.

TRIGGERS
Double triggers with optional spring bladed front trigger.

GUARD
Flat or beaded edge to trigger bow.

SAFETY
Non-automatic, or automatic. Bolted safety if required.

STOCK
Straight or pistol grip with cap and trap. Chequered butt or leather covered recoil pad. Heel and toe pieces. Skeleton heel plate. Full heel plate. Gold or silver oval. Inlaid gold or silver letters.

FOREND
Splinter or beaver-tail forends.

ENGRAVING & FINISH
Traditional fine rose and scroll with colour-hardened or bright finish. Additional extra finish engraving options on request.
BOLT ACTION RIFLE

We have made bolt action rifles since the inception of the Mauser. Usually, a Purdey rifle is based on a double square bridge action, but you can also choose the Kurz or military variant, if preferred.

It is normal to use the ‘three stage’ side safety, specifying your own barrel weight and length. You can also request either fixed or detachable scope mounts.

Our bolt actions are produced in partnership with the British firm Mayfair Engineering.

BOLT RIFLE OPTIONS

**CALIBRES**
Most modern calibres available.

**BARRELS**
Barrel weights as required.

**SIGHTS**
Standard open sights.
Small or large bead foresight with slip off or folding shroud.
Telescopic sights available on request.

**ACTION**
Modern Mauser-style double square bridge.
Kurz also available.

**TRIGGERS**
As required.

**SAFETY**
Three position safety.

**STOCK**
Straight or pistol grip.
Chequered butt or leather covered recoil pad. Heel and toe pieces.
Skeleton heel plate. Full heel plate. Gold or silver oval. Inlaid gold or silver letters.

**ENGRAVING & FINISH**
Traditional fine rose and scroll with colour-hardened or bright finish.
Additional engraving options on request.
The Sporter shares its design ancestry with the iconic early 20th century designs of Boss, Woodward and Edwinson Green. An Over-and-Under shotgun, it was developed and designed to shoot the most testing driven game or the most challenging clay pigeons. It is available in 12 and 20-bore configurations and we offer the option of interchangeable 28-bore barrels for the 20-bore.
Calibres
12 and 20-bore on dedicated action sizes.
28-bore barrels available for 20-bore action.

Chambers
2¾” and 3”.

Barrels
From 25” to 34” (71cm to 81cm).

Chokes
Fixed or chokes inserts.

Rib
Ventilated or solid with matted finish.

Action
Sporter trigger-plate action.

Triggers
Detachable non-selective single trigger.
Detachable double triggers.

Safety
Automatic or non-automatic.

Stock
Straight or pistol grip.
Chequered butt or leather covered recoil pad. Heel and toe pieces.
Skeleton heel plate. Full heel plate.
Gold or silver oval. Inlaid gold or silver letters.

Engraving & Finish
Sporter pattern large scroll with bright finish.
Additional engraving options on request.

Weights of guns

12-Bore
7 lb 10 oz (3.46 kg) – 8 lb (3.62 kg)

20-Bore
6 lb 12 oz (3.06 kg) – 7 lb (3.18 kg)
ENGRAVING

Engraving has always been a feature of gunmaking, but it is in the last 100 years that it has become an internationally recognised art form in its own right.

Over time, the designs have developed in complexity as a marker of quality and price. Prestigious engravers can achieve great fame with their work being highly sought after.

Traditionally, a Purdey will feature our iconic ‘fine rose and scroll’ engraving. This style was adopted in the 1880s and has since been followed by all makers of ‘best’ firearms.

Large scroll engraving, gold inlay work and game scenes, whilst popular today, were relatively rare on Purdey guns before the Second World War.

However, since then, international collectors began to commission elaborate styles and designs, and as gunmakers responded to demand, the skills of engravers flourished as never before.

There are now remarkable engraving specialists wherever fine guns are made. We have immediate access to the most outstanding, some with waiting times that would usually span many years.
ORDERING A PURDEY

A Purdey shotgun or rifle is made according to your own exact requirements, which we would be delighted to discuss with you.

As part of your experience, we recommend a consultation in the Long Room, followed by a gun fitting. Please note that we can arrange fittings in various locations around the world.

Delivery times vary and will be quoted during ordering. For further details, please visit Audley House, telephone +44 (0)20 7499 1801, or email enquiries@purdey.com.
If you are thinking of ordering a Purdey gun, the following are points of consideration.

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