

## W.R. CASE & SONS CUTLERY CO. ENLISTS NEW SERIES OF OFFICIALLY LICENSED U.S. ARMY<sup>®</sup> AND NAVY<sup>®</sup> KNIVES

Full collections will be available throughout 2016

**BRADFORD, PA** – W.R. Case & Sons Cutlery Company – one of America's foremost manufacturers of premium, hand-crafted knives – is proud to announce two new collections featuring officially licensed United States Army<sup>®</sup> and United States Navy<sup>®</sup> knives. The collections, which will be available for purchase beginning in early 2016 from Case Authorized Dealers, will be on display during SHOT Show 2016 in Las Vegas at Case booth #13905.

The **U.S. Army** is comprised of some of the most dedicated and respected soldiers in the world, who continue to protect America's freedoms while serving at home and abroad. To salute those individuals for their relentless defense of justice and freedom, Case has crafted a new family of officially licensed U.S. Army knives, including:

- **Trapper Gift Set** (#15000) Embellished Clip and Spey Blades and Embellished Natural Bone Handle. Knife is numbered with Case *Long Tail C* Serialization. Gift set includes a Genuine Case Collectable Medallion and official Certificate of Authenticity. Packaged in a hinged jewel keepsake box.
- **Peanut** (#15004) Clip and Pen Blades with Embellished Smooth Olive Green Bone Handle.
- **Stockman** (#15002) Clip, Sheepfoot and Spey Blades with Embellished Smooth Olive Green Bone Handle.
- **Muskrat** (#15003) Two Clip Blades with Embellished Smooth Olive Green Bone Handle.
- **Mid-Folding Hunter with Clip** (#15005) One-Hand Opening Clip Blade with Thumb Stud and Liner Lock; Embellished Smooth Olive Green Bone Handle and Belt Clip.
- **Trapper** (#15001) Clip and Spey Blades with Embellished Smooth Olive Green Bone Handle.
- **Trapperlock with Clip** (#15006) One-Hand Opening Clip Blade with Thumb Stud and Liner Lock; Embellished Smooth Olive Green Bone Handle and Belt Clip.
- **Trapper Gift Set** (#15007) Embellished Clip and Spey Blades and Embellished Chestnut Bone Handle. Knife is numbered with Case *Long Tail C* Serialization; gift set includes a Genuine Case Collectable Medallion and official Certificate of Authenticity. Packaged in a hinged jewel keepsake box.

For 240 years, the **U.S. Navy** has upheld the sovereignty of the seas while protecting our country from global threats. To recognize their unyielding work ethic and patriotic spirit, Case is proud to debut a new collection of officially licensed U.S. Navy knives, including:

- Sod Buster Jr.<sup>®</sup> (#17709) Embellished Skinner Blade with Standard Jigged Navy Blue Bone Handle and NAVY Shield.
- **Sowbelly** (#17707) Embellished Clip Blade with Standard Jigged Navy Blue Bone Handle and NAVY Shield.
- **Mid-Folding Hunter with Clip** (#17706) Embellished One-Hand Opening Clip Blade with Thumb Stud and Liner Lock; Standard Jigged Navy Blue Bone Handle with themed shield and a handy Belt Clip.
- **Trapper Gift Set** (#17700) Embellished Clip Blade and Spey Blade with Embellished Natural Bone Handle; presented in a commemorative jewel box with a Genuine Case Collectable Medallion, Case Long Tail C Serialization and official Certificate of Authenticity.
- **Trapperlock with Clip** (#17705) Embellished One-Hand Opening Clip Blade with Thumb Stud and Liner Lock; Standard Jigged Navy Blue Bone Handle with themed shield and a handy Belt Clip.
- **Trapper** (#17708) Embellished Clip Blade and Spey Blade with Standard Jigged Navy Blue Bone Handle.
- **Folding Hunter** (#17710) Embellished Skinner Blade and Clip Blade with Standard Jigged Navy Blue Bone Handle and themed shield.
- Mini Trapper (#22551) Embellished Clip Blade and Spey Blade; Rogers Jigged Navy Blue Bone Handle with Case Stars & Stripes Shield; Pocket End Bolster features intricate engraving of the official U.S. Navy logo. Comes packaged in a two-part America's Navy<sup>®</sup> box.
- Russlock<sup>®</sup> (#22552) Embellished One-Hand Opening and Liner Locking Clip Blade; Rogers Jigged Navy Blue Bone Handle with Case Stars & Stripes Shield; Pocket End Bolster features intricate engraving of the official U.S. Navy logo. Comes packaged in a two-part America's Navy<sup>®</sup> box.
- **Trapper** (#22550) Embellished Clip Blade and Spey Blade; Rogers Jigged Navy Blue Bone Handle with Case Stars & Stripes Shield; Pocket End Bolster features intricate engraving of the official U.S. Navy logo. Comes packaged in a two-part America's Navy<sup>®</sup> box.
- **Trapper** (#22553) Clip and Spey Blades with Embellished Natural Bone Handle with Case Oval Script Shield; Nickel Silver Pocket End Bolster features intricate engraving of the official U.S. Navy logo. Comes packaged in a two-part America's Navy<sup>®</sup> box.
- **Trapper** (#22554) Clip and Spey Blades with an Embellished Natural Bone Handle with Case Oval Script Shield; Embellished Nickel Silver Pocket End Bolsters feature intricate Navy-themed engraving including the familiar U.S. Navy anchor; comes packaged in a two-part America's Navy<sup>®</sup> box.

In 2015, Case released a "faithfully true" reproduction of the World War II-era V-42 - a knife that Case was originally commissioned to create in 1942 for the First Special Service Force. The V-42 is widely considered to be one of the rarest of all World War II knives, and one of the most sought-after of all World War II-era knife militaria. The V-42 continues to remain a prominent symbol in today's military and can be found on the Regimental Crests, unit shoulder patches and other distinctive insignias of the U.S. and Canadian Army Special Forces.

"As a company that has been hand-crafting knives exclusively in the United States of America

for more than 125 years, Case has long been connected with various branches of the U.S. Armed Forces," said John Sullivan, Director of Marketing, W.R. Case & Sons Cutlery Company. "With these new collections, we're proud to honor all members of the U.S. Army and U.S. Navy – past, present and future – for their bravery and dedication to serving our country."

The officially licensed U.S. Army and Navy knives will be available for purchase beginning in early 2016 from Case Authorized Dealers. The knives will be on display during SHOT Show 2016 in Las Vegas at Case booth #13905. For additional information regarding W.R. Case & Sons, please visit wrcase.com.

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## **ABOUT W.R. CASE & SONS CUTLERY COMPANY**

Since 1889, W.R. Case & Sons Cutlery Company has been an American manufacturer of premium, hand-crafted knives. Based in Bradford, Pennsylvania, Case's offerings cover a wide range of product categories, from traditional folding pocketknives and fixed blade sporting knives to limited production commemoratives and collectables. Case's longevity and brand-loyal consumers are testaments to the hard working artisans that continue to make Case an industry leader. Case's commitment to product quality is evident in the 125 pairs of hands and 160 manufacturing processes that it takes to create just one knife. A unique tang stamp dating system used since the very early days of its history has made the Case brand one of the world's favorite collectable brands. The Case Collectors Club, with 18,000 active members, is one of the largest known knife collecting associations in the world. Case is owned by Zippo Manufacturing Company, makers of the world famous Zippo<sup>®</sup> windproof lighter. Visit <u>www.wrcase.com</u> for more information.

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