



## **Super Black Eagle 3 A.I. — Expanded Sub-Gauge Line, Enhanced Controls** *New A.I. models, cold-weather controls, and updated camo for unforgiving seasons.*

January 2026, Accokeek, MD — Benelli's Advanced Impact (A.I.) evolution continues to gather momentum in 2026 as the Super Black Eagle 3 A.I. lineup expands with new 28-gauge models, new camouflage offerings, and purposeful operational enhancements. Built for demanding environments and uncompromising performance, the latest SBE 3 A.I. updates reinforce Benelli's leadership in modern waterfowling shotguns.

Benelli's Advanced Impact barrel technology has established a new benchmark in shotgun performance, maintaining higher pellet density while delivering increased velocity and penetration compared to conventional barrel designs. From open water to tight timber, and from first light to final shot, A.I. technology delivers decisive results—on both clays and birds alike.

For 2026, Benelli introduces its first-ever 28-gauge Super Black Eagle 3 models, all of which are equipped with Advanced Impact (A.I.) barrels and chambered for 2 3/4- and 3-inch shotshells. These all-new offerings feature 28-inch A.I. barrels and are available in GORE™ OPTIFADE™ Marsh camo paired with Midnight Bronze Cerakote (model #12316) or GORE™ OPTIFADE™ Timber accented with Cobalt Cerakote (model #12336), Realtree® Max-7™ with FDE Cerakote (model 12366), and Mossy Oak® Bottomland™ with Patriot Brown Cerakote finish (12386), marking the debut of the SBE 3 A.I. platform in 28 gauge.

To improve function in harsh, cold-weather conditions, Benelli has also refined the SBE 3 A.I. operational controls. Updates include a larger cylinder-style bolt handle and a complete set of extended choke tubes, allowing for fast, confident manipulation even with gloved hands.

MSRPs for the 2026 Super Black Eagle 3 A.I. shotguns range from \$2,849 to \$3,099.

For more information on Benelli USA's full line of premium shotguns and centerfire hunting rifles, visit [BenelliUSA.com](https://www.BenelliUSA.com).

### **About Benelli**

Benelli, headquartered in Accokeek, Maryland, offers the largest selection of semi-automatic shotguns in the world, as well as a variety of rifles. Since the company's inception, Benelli has led the world in innovative firearm technology, including the ground-breaking Benelli Inertia Driven system, Advanced Impact barrel technology, effective recoil-reduction systems, and the BE.S.T. anti-corrosion coatings. Because of this commitment to innovation, Benelli is recognized as the world's leading manufacturer of premium firearms for competitive shooters, hunters, and defense professionals.

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