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Your Sentinel is ready for duty. Would you like it with stag, Micarta[®], or hardwood handle onlays?

Custom knives are often set apart by the exotic materials they employ. So it should be no surprise that Ron Lake, custom knifemaker extraordinaire, was persistent in his desire that we should do the same thing with the Columbia River Knife & Tool[®] (CRKT[®]) production Sentinel. Thanks to Ron, these models resemble customs, using premium materials throughout, and giving you the choice of Micarta[®], stag or hardwood handle onlays.

For the modified drop point blade with its high hollow grind we are using 8Cr14MoV high-chromium stainless steel, which specs out slightly better than our favorite AUS 8 premium blade steel. The brushed finish is easy to clean and has that traditional custom look. A Lake-designed thumb disk allows easy one-hand opening.

The Sentinel's InterFrame build uses dual stainless steel liners, one locking, finished in black oxide. Handle scales are CNC-machined 6061 aluminum, black anodized (charcoal gray on the 7122M).

To aid grip, the handle shape features four naturally spaced finger choils. In addition, at mid-handle on both sides are three oval reliefs. These are functional details backed by anodized aluminum accent panels. Finally, you can choose from three exotic handle onlay materials, precisely CNC-machined.

Stag. The 7122S receives stag horn onlays. Each knife will be unique due to variations in the natural material. Accent panels are burgundy anodized.

Micarta. A favorite of custom knife makers, we are using a black Micarta onlay on the 7122M. Accent panels are anodized dark green.

Hardwood. Finally, the model 7122W is fitted with hardwood scales of African thuya root. Accent panels are bronze anodized.

Integrated into the design is the patented* LAWKS[®] safety, which effectively converts your folder into a virtual fixed blade—very reassuring when you are using your knife for difficult and tiring tasks.

To keep the lines of the Sentinel uncluttered on both sides, we've made a custom leather sheath with a pocket/gear clip.

Our marketing man says we have have priced the Sentinel way too low. We just want to give you great value. No, it's not a custom. It just looks like one. You don't have to tell anyone that you paid just \$69.99 (MSRP).

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Specifications

Lake Sentinel

7122S: Black Handle, Stag Onlays,
Burgundy Anodized Inlays
Weight: 4.9 oz. (139 g)
7122M: Charcoal Handle, Micarta Onlays,
Green Anodized Inlays
Weight: 5.0 oz. (142 g)
7122W: Black Handle, Thuya Root Onlays,
Bronze Anodized Inlays
Weight: 4.7 oz. (133 g)
Blade: Length: 3.50" (89 mm)
Thickness: 0.13" (3.3 mm)
Steel: 8Cr14MoV, 58-59 HRC
Closed: Handle length: 4.20" (107 mm)
Open: Overall length: 7.75" (197 mm)
MSRP: \$69.99 US

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