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The award-winning Gallagher Glide Lock™ is a gentleman's knife series that would be at home in New Orleans in 1909, with a patent two high-tech lock from today. And it's now available in three designs.

No, Jelly Roll Morton didn't own a Gallagher Glide Lock™ folder at the turn of the last century. But if he had carried one into an ornately decorated saloon, it would have looked right at home. Barry Gallagher designed the Glide Lock folder series in the great tradition of the personal folder from times gone by, with a nod to the classic style of the era.

The sleek look of Barry's Glide Lock by Columbia River Knife & Tool® (CRKT®) depends on two modern technologies.

The first is the patented* Glide Lock mechanism invented by knifemaker Charles Kain of Indianapolis, Indiana. It relies on a sliding stainless steel mechanism hidden within one bolster. Slide the bolster out, and it creates a tang to rotate the blade open. Slide the bolster back and the blade is locked open. To close, slide the bolster out and rotate the blade closed with your index finger. Slide the bolster back to lock the Glide Lock closed. It's fast, lightweight, compact, and secure.

The second new technology is the development of CPL composite materials. The swirls that result from injection molding resemble those found in natural materials such as amber, jade and mother-of-pearl. However, the CPL material is tougher, stronger, and lighter than those natural materials, and can be used both on the Glide Lock scales and back spacer. The variegated swirls make each knife unique.

Barry Gallagher combined all this into three slender gentleman's folders that fit comfortably in the hand and securely in any pocket.

The **Glide Lock** features a high-carbon AUS 4 stainless steel spear point 2.875" blade in a brushed finish. The stainless steel liners and bolster receive a vibratory finish. Scales are a soft coral swirl. The Glide Lock was named Most Innovative Imported Design of the Year at the 2008 Blade Show.

The premium **Glide Lock Ltd.** model features nonreflective titanium nitride coating on the blade and liners for ultimate corrosion resistance. Scales are a dramatic gray/blue swirled pattern.

The **Glide Lock 2** has a 2.88" modified drop point blade in satin finish and handle with a swell at the pommel for increased grip. Scales are silver/blue swirled CPL.

We call these stylish and functional new designs "gentleman's knives," but of course, you don't have to be a gentleman to own one. The Glide Lock 7410 and Glide Lock 2 7420 have MSRPs of only \$49.99, while the Glide Lock Ltd. is just \$59.99.

**U.s. Patent No. 7,581,321*

Specifications

Glide Lock™

7410: Satin Blade, Coral Scales
Blade: Length: 2.875" (73 mm)
Thickness: 0.085" (2.2 mm)
Steel: AUS 4, 55-57 HRC
Closed: Handle length: 3.60" (91 mm)
Open: Overall length: 6.50" (165 mm)
Weight: 1.6 oz. (45 g)
MSRP: \$49.99 US

Glide Lock™ Ltd.

7415: Black Blade, Gray/Blue Scales
MSRP: \$59.99 US

Glide Lock™ 2

7420: Satin Blade, Silver/Blue Scales
Blade: Length: 2.88" (73 mm)
Thickness: 0.09" (2.2 mm)
Steel: AUS 4, 55-57 HRC
Closed: Handle length: 3.75" (95 mm)
Open: Overall length: 6.50" (165 mm)
Weight: 1.6 oz. (45 g)
MSRP: \$49.99 US

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