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# Meriden Model 15 Repeating Rifle, \$12<sup>55</sup>

## A Strong, Well Built, Smooth Working and Quick Operating Repeating Rifle

This rifle is manufactured under patents granted Basil H. Savage, one of the world's foremost inventors of fire arms. It is a 12-caliber hammerless repeating model, chambered to shoot short, long or long rifle cartridges, black or smokeless powder. The barrel is 24 inches long, octagon in shape, handsomely blued, fitted with an open front sight and adjustable rear sight. The sights are of standard size, permitting the use of standard Lyman sights. The rear tang is fitted with thumbcrew to allow the use of a Lyman peep sight if desired. This rifle has a full length magazine. Its capacity is twenty 22 short, fifteen 22 long or fourteen 22 long rifle cartridges. The frame is made from a steel forging handsomely blued. All working parts are of a high quality tool steel, made true to gauge and assembled with the greatest possible care. Great strength is assured by the solid heavy breech. Fitted with top thumb safety and positive extractor and ejector. The stock and slide handle are made from a selected grade of walnut, highly finished. The stock is 33 1/2 inches long, and has a 1 1/2-inch drop at the comb and 3-inch drop at the heel. Fitted with a metal butt plate.

This rifle is easily dismantled. No tools are required. It can be taken apart by simply unscrewing the knurled takedown screw on the left side of the frame. The breechbolt can be lifted out with the fingers, permitting the rifle to be cleaned from the breech and preventing dirt and powder entering the mechanism.

This rifle is excellently proportioned, finely finished and has perfect working qualities. Every step in its manufacture is followed by rigid inspections and tests. For small game hunting, target practice and general use, this Meriden Model 15 will be found a very pleasing, highly satisfactory rifle. It weighs about 5 3/4 pounds. Weight, packed for shipment, 12 pounds.

### NOTICE.

Always clean and oil the barrel of your rifle thoroughly after shooting. Also be sure to keep the breech free from lead at all times. To accomplish this we recommend the frequent use of our No. 67222 Brass Bore Brush. The frequent application of our No. 67136 Gun Oil will also be found very effective for cleaning, as well as protecting from rust, the inside of the barrel.

No. 67601 1/4 Price.....\$12.55

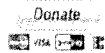


### The Engraved Meriden Model 15 Rifle

The specifications and mechanical construction of this rifle are the same as of the rifle above described, except that it is elaborately engraved and more highly finished. In fact, it is one of the most beautiful 12-caliber rifles ever put on the market and compares favorably with rifles made to special order to sell at \$75.00 and upward. The frame is beautifully engraved by hand in a combination scroll and sage design, as shown in the illustration to the left. The left side of the frame has a fine engraving of a pair of eagles, and the right side contains. The stock and fore-end are made of specially selected walnut of handsome grain and chambered in a very fine small diameter design. This rifle is unusually well finished throughout, and at our price of \$17.00 represents unusual value from a mechanical as well as artistic standpoint. Weight, 5 3/4 pounds; packed for shipment, 13 pounds.

No. 67601 1/4 Price.....\$17.00

1916 Meriden Model 15 repeating rifle, Sears catalog



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## Meriden Fire Arms Co.

Name	Street	Town	State	From	To
Meriden Fire Arms Co.		Meriden	Connecticut	1895	1915

Patent	Date	Remarks

Contract	for

Product
<p>It is very likely that Meriden will be withdrawn from my site as I've found the following information. When true the company was only founded at the beginning of the 20th century and then good by.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-----</p> <p>The Meriden Firearms Company was formed when Sears Roebuck purchased the Andrew Fryberg &amp; Sons firearms manufacturing plant in 1903 and moved the plant and machinery to Meriden, Connecticut, circa 1904. The company started manufacturing firearms circa early 1905. Around 1906 Sears acquired a Savage-held patent for the Model 15 slide-action .22 rifle that was not introduced until 1913. During 1918 Sears announced that the Meriden Firearms Company would discontinue the manufacture of sporting firearms.</p> <p>In the early 1900's, Winchester stopped selling firearms to Sears and Roebuck's discount mail order house because they considered Sears discounting of prices to be demoralizing all firearms prices and causing general discontent in the trade. Most firearm manufacturing companies at the time agreed with Winchester, but only Winchester took any type of action. In November of 1904, Winchester announced that it would no longer sell to the Sears and Roebuck Company and they cancelled all unfilled orders. The Meriden Fire Arms Company was started by Sears and Roebuck's because of the Winchester's refusal to sell firearms to them. The Meriden Model 10 was first listed in the Sears and Roebuck Spring 1910 catalog priced at \$2.19. The Model 10 was made on a rolling block action with a color case hardened frame of malleable iron, a 22" barrel, and a walnut forearm and butt stock. The Meriden Model 10 was discontinued in 1917.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-----</p>