

# COMPETITION

## READY RIGHT OUT OF THE BOX

RW. APS GLADIATOR SERIES "CRIXUS" & "MARCUX"

"MARCUX"

"CRIXUS"

“Trust is neither created nor destroyed, it is earned”. And this is something APS has engraved in its work philosophy, this is why they have developed this new range of 1911 style guns (the first time they put aside Glock guns) and take a step into these models that are launched in their gas version (the first time they don't have CO2 magazines). And they do so with a model that, after testing it, we can confidently say that is competition ready right out of the box.

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### PLAYING WITH DIFFERENCES

How to distinguish the Crixus from the Marcux model? Simple, they both follow the 1911 style, but the Crixus has a TAN body while the Marcux comes fully in black.

### WINNER'S BLOOD

This series takes after (as the trigger or the front sights) the Colt Competition, a great starting point in the search for a gun with great performance as the real model was designed for competition.



### MAKING IT PERFECT

It has a short RIS rail in which we can attach a flashlight or a pistol grenade launcher, two accessories that are more interesting in a CQB than in the open field, but which in any case add to the functionality of the gun.



### NOUGHTS AND CROSSES

The sights follow a three point pattern and include an adjustable rear sight and a front Novak type optical fibre sight. The latter enables aiming in all light conditions, something that comes handy, especially in CQB.



**NOT JUST ONE MORE**

Disassembling them differs somewhat from the classic method, having to unscrew the two parts that make up the recoil spring rail to remove it and continue disassembling it. It may be more difficult but makes the gun stronger a whole.



**LEARNING FROM EXPERIENCES**

The bushing barrel is the frontal part keeping the barrel in place during the movement of the slide. And due to the stress it bears, (especially with powerful blowbacks) it tends to break, so APS got it right when manufacturing them in metal rather than plastic, as other brands have.



**THE FIRST OF ITS KIND**

It has a gas magazine; the first time it doesn't use CO2 (the Dragonfly was dual, but it did have the CO2 option). As always, it is subject to the limitations associated with gas, something which in cold climates makes it inadvisable to use. Although at the time we received the model in our offices, it is not out in the market yet, so we are not sure whether this might change in the near future.



**HIDDEN DETAILS**

The inner barrel is shorter than the outer barrel, enabling the last few millimetres of the same to be threaded, so that we can attach an adapter for a silencer with which we may use an inner barrel to improve firing.

**BRANDED FOR ETERNITY**

It has its own branding on the sides. On the left: Gladiator, and to the right side of the model: Crixus or MarcuX. Although they are displayed on a rather large area, they are very discreet unless light shines on them at the right angle.



**DRESSED TO IMPRESS**

The grips pads are removable, one the best thing is that APS launches a set of grips in different camouflage patterns: Kryptek Banshee and Typhoon, Atacs, Multicam, or black. One of the first brands which allows us to easily customise this part.

