

"ASTRA"



AUTOMATIC PISTOL
VEST POCKET SIZE

MODEL 200

CALIBER .25"

(6,35 m/m)



“ASTRA”

IN SPAIN the manufacturing of weapons is an industry as old as History. Probably the oldest trade mark known in the world is the word «TOLEDO» engraved in the sword of the most famous knights who fought in the Crusades a thousand years ago. The reputation of the Toledo blades has been kept for ten centuries, and is still unequalled.

The knight of days gone by relied on his faithful Toledo blade.

Many of the secrets of the marvellous tempering of the Toledo steel have been transmitted from father to son generation after generation to a small group of workmen whose knowledge and skill have been accumulating during centuries.

Those workers with modern methods and modern machinery are manufacturing today the ASTRA automatic pistols.

The business man of today can rely on his faithful ASTRA.

Description.

THESE PISTOLS are of automatic action, the recoil of each shot being utilized to extract the empty shell, cock the hammer and place a new shell into the chamber.

Safety.

THREE SAFETY devices make the ASTRA pistol positively fool proof.

1.^o—The safety lever, well within reach of the thumb when the pistol is in a firing position, absolutely locks not only the trigger, but the hammer as well. This safety lever alone would be enough to make impossible the accidental firing of the pistol as a result of dropping the weapon, hammering on it, &c.

2.^o—The removal of the magazine makes impossible to fire the shell left in the chamber, by locking the hammer and the trigger at the same time.

3.^o—The grip safety locks the hammer with a positive action.

4.^o—Signal pin.

Loading.

PLACE THE CARTRIDGES into the magazine one by one, place the magazine in the handle of the pistol and exert pressure until the catch holds. To place the first cartridge in the chamber put the safety lever in firing position, pull back the slide and release it. The arm is ready for firing. The safety lever should be put in the safety position if it is not going to be used right away. The first cartridge taken from the magazine can easily be replaced, increasing the capacity of the pistol.

How to take apart.

THE LIFE OF FIRE arms depends principally on the care taken of them. To make cleaning and oiling as easy as possible, the ASTRA automatic pistols can be taken apart with a minimum of effort, in less than five seconds.

Remove magazine, and with the safety lever in «safe», pull back slide. The safety lever will hold it back. While pulling slightly from the end of the barrel, make it turn a little over one quarter turn to the right and then to the left. The barrel comes out. Releasing the safety lever the slide and spring can be removed.

To assemble, place spring in place leaving in sight the polished end of the guide. Place slide in place, pulling it back until it is held back by the safety lever. Insert the barrel, pressing gently inwards, giving a little over one quarter turn to the right, and then turn to the left. Releasing the safety lever the slide will come back to normal position, proving the operation has been conducted in the proper way.

Special Safety Device of the "ASTRA"

Caliber .25"

DAY AND NIGHT signal pin seen or felt protruding from rear of slide, indicates that firing chamber is loaded and hammer is cocked for the trigger pull. The condition of the chamber is always readily discernable.



Mechanism of the ASTRA Pistol, Mod. 200



ASTRA Pistol, Mod. 202
With fine engravings in silverplated finish.

List of component parts "ASTRA" Caliber .25" Model 200

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| 201. Receiver. | 217. ^b Left handle plate. | 231. Safety catch pin. |
| 202. Slide. | 218. Signal pin. | 232. Base of hammer spring. |
| 203. Barrel. | 219. Signal pin spring. | 233. Hammer spring. |
| 204. Action Spring. | 220. Magazine safety. | 234. Rod of hammer spring |
| 207. Magazine. | 221. Spring of magazine safety. | 235. Trigger. |
| 208. Ejector. | 222. Magazine safety pin. | 236. Trigger connecting rod. |
| 209. Ejector Spring. | 223. Hammer. | 237. Trigger pin. |
| 210. Ejector pin. | 224. Hammer Rod. | 238. Magazine catch. |
| 211. Pin of firing pin. | 225. Hammer pin. | 239. Butt of magazine catch. |
| 212. Firing pin spring. | 226. Hammer release. | 241. Trigger spring. |
| 213. Rod of firing pin. | 227. Hammer release spring. | 242. Base of trigger spring |
| 214. Pin of Firing pin. | 228. Grip safety lever. | 243. Pin of trigger connecting rod. |
| 215. Thumb safety. | 229. Grip safety rod. | 248. Screws for handle plates |
| 217. Right handle plate | 230. Spring of grip safety. | |

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