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# CAESAR GUERINI, FABARM & SYREN

## DEBUTS FOR 2020

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As with the situation at the SHOT Show of 2019, some of the larger and prolific gun manufacturers were not in attendance this year, either. Most notably, in this case, the great folks of Caesar Guerini of Cambridge, Maryland. This company imports the products of Fabarm and Syren as well. The Caesar Guerini shotguns have been in the U.S. for a number of years and have achieved a good foothold within the market due in no small part to the excellent leadership of their President, Wes Lang.

Wes has been in the firearms industry for many years, and he knows how to get a shotgun into the market with all the looks, design, performance and reliability necessary to attract the eye of the American shooter.

I was fortunate to speak with Guerini's marketing director Shaun Burkowski and learned about a few of the new models to debut in 2020 from Guerini, Fabarm and Syren.

### THE INVICTUS II SPORTING

The Invictus line of over/unders from Caesar Guerini have been designed to be able to fulfill a bold claim — the claim of providing a service life of one million rounds. I will not get into the particular technical details that allow the million-round service life as I have described all of this in prior issues of *Shotgun Sports* magazine. What you will read in this article will be the features

and descriptions of the latest offerings from these three companies.

The over/unders from Caesar Guerini all maintain one solid and noticeable common denominator — great styling and beautiful lines and accents. The newest member of the Invictus line-up, the Invictus II Sporting keeps to that thread in the history of the Invictus line wonderfully well. The most eye-catching aspect of the Invictus II, in my opinion, is the absolutely stunning look the gun displays with its color case-hardened receiver and appearance of hammered wire gold.

The Invictus II Sporting will be available in 30" and 32" barrels, and color-case hardened receiver with gold wire engraving and filigree over much of the gun — a tastefully elegant gun. It is an Invictus, so you and perhaps even your grandchildren will be shooting this gorgeous gun.

### THE SYREN ELOS N2 ELEVATE

The biggest problem gunmakers face is to make a woman's gun that truly fits a woman's physical dimensions and is not just an effort to make a man's stock fit her. Syren has had great success in this. The new Syren Elevate allows the shooter to adjust all critical specifications, making it easy to fine-tune the gun to your shooting style. Point-of-impact, stock fit, trigger system, recoil characteristics, and overall weight and balance are all customizable. The geometry of the Elevate allows for an upright shooting stance, making your gun

mount more comfortable while reducing felt recoil. The result is less strain on your neck and shoulders, allowing you to concentrate only on the target. Also, thanks to the Quick Release Rib system, the Elevate has the ability to swap ribs for various shooting configurations in order to compete in multiple disciplines like trap, skeet and sporting clays. Two ribs come standard, one at 50/50 POI and the other at 65/35.

Now there is a new model called the Elevate that strives even more to reach that elusive Golden Fleece of a properly fitting woman's gun. It is equipped with an adjustable comb, medium-height raised rib and better overall dimensions for length of pull, better angles of pitch and offset, and size of palm swell. This gun should be flying off the shelves of your Guerini dealer when they become available.

### THE M-SPEC 34" SPECIALIST

In the early years of sporting clays, nobody made a gun that was called a sporting clays gun. You shot whatever you had with you. It might have been a rabbit gun or a dove gun or a pump-action gun. And barrel lengths were whatever the gun came with. They may have been 22", 24" or 26".

As time went on, manufacturers listened more and more to the wants and desires of the market and their customers. Guns became more specialized for the presentation of the targets. Additionally, the barrels became more popular

at longer lengths. First everyone shot 28" barrels morphing from their skeet games. Then 30" barrels became very popular for sporting clays, and even the skeet shooters began growing fond of them after generations of shorter barrels. The 32" barrels for sporting clays were the rage. Even manufacturers who were somewhat reluctant to build a 32" barrel with screw-in chokes with flat ribs began to realize this is what the market wanted.

In particular on a technical level, you begin to run into issues with regulations and weight of the barrel as they become longer. Balance points of an assembled gun start moving forward towards the muzzle, giving the shooter an awkward feeling and front-heavy sensation of the gun. In the beginning, those few shooters who were fortunate enough to even find a 34" flat-ribbed, screw-choked sporting clay barrel would offset the forward weight of the balance point by simply adding weight to the buttstock. This was not a proper solution, and you ended up with a very sluggish non-alert shotgun that wasn't what you thought it would be. So the 34" quickly fell out of favor.

Caesar Guerini's new M-Spec Specialist is not a shotgun intended for a casual once-a-month shooter or even a B-class competitive shooter. This gun will strike a chord more often with AA and Master-class level competitors who have the skills to finesse a gun with such a light weight and long barrel. This barrel is even lighter than Guerini's lightest weight 32" sporting clay barrel. It began as a pet project of Wes Lang who felt this was a gun configuration that would catch on with the higher-level shooters.

The Fabarm Allsport now has an "XL" version in full-length stock dimensions, and is offered with an Unsingle 34" Trap barrel either as an option or stand-alone gun.

Check these guns out with Guerini dealers inside this magazine, at your nearest Caesar Guerini dealer or online when you visit [gueriniusa.com](http://gueriniusa.com).

Be sure to tell them you read about them in your favorite magazine, *Shotgun Sports*. **SS**



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