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## **Big Horn Armory (BHA) AR500 NEXT GEN Rifle Headlines *GUNS Magazine's* May 2026 Prize Package Giveaway**

*BHA donates its 500 Auto Max rifle to GUNS Magazine sweepstakes valued at \$2,749, featuring gear from Spartan Blades and Streamlight.*



**Cody, Wyo. (May 2026) – [Big Horn Armory \(BHA\)](http://www.bighornarmory.com)**, makers of big-bore firearms, today announced it is the featured sponsor of [GUNS Magazine's May 2026 Prize Package Giveaway](#). The company has donated its [BHA AR500 NEXT GEN Rifle](#) as the centerpiece of a prize package valued at \$2,749, joined by contributions from Spartan Blades and Streamlight. The giveaway is open now and ends May 31, 2026.

Chambered in 500 Auto Max, the BHA AR500 NEXT GEN is an AR rifle like no other. Not content with the big-bore cartridge offerings already available in the AR platform, the engineers at BHA set out to match the power and versatility of the company's Model 89 Lever Action in 500 Smith & Wesson Magnum. The result was the development of the 500 Auto Max, a rimless 500 S&W Magnum designed to feed in a semi-automatic rifle. The combination of size, familiar manual of arms, available accessories, and energy on target makes the AR500 ready to handle almost any situation.

"The AR500 was built for shooters who refuse to settle for what everyone else is making, and that's exactly the kind of reader *GUNS Magazine* reaches," said Greg Buchel, Owner of Big Horn Armory.

"We're proud to put our rifle into the hands of one lucky winner, and proud to stand alongside Spartan Blades and Streamlight in a prize package that delivers real performance from front to back. At BHA, we go BIG, or we go home, and this giveaway is no exception."

Rounding out the package is the Spartan-Harsey Fighter, a fixed-blade knife born from a collaboration between master knifemaker William W. Harsey Jr. and Spartan Blades. It combines the proven design of a U.S. military combat/utility blade with Harsey's signature ergonomic handle and is engineered to perform in the most demanding conditions.

Also included is the Streamlight Wedge, a compact, high-performance EDC light designed for clean pocket carry. Outfitted with an intuitive rotating thumb switch, the Wedge delivers tactile control over its constant-on and THRO (Temporarily Heightened Regulated Output) modes, with output up to 1,000 lumens, a 110-meter beam, and a 35-second burst.

Mail-in entries are accepted by postcards only. Limit one entry per household; multiple entries will disqualify entrants. The winner will be chosen by random drawing, and all federal, state, and local laws apply. View Full Terms & Conditions [here](#).

For more on Big Horn Armory, visit [www.bighornarmory.com](http://www.bighornarmory.com) or any of their social media platforms: [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#), [LinkedIn](#), or [X](#).

#### **About Big Horn Armory:**

Big Horn Armory was founded in 2008 with the expressed intention of designing a Browning-type lever-action gun chambered in 500 Smith & Wesson Magnum. The Big Horn Armory Model 89, made in America, closely follows the work of John Browning with refinements courtesy of modern metallurgy and machining capabilities. The first rifles began shipping in September of 2012, and since then, BHA has added to its big bore lineup with a Model 90 Carbine in 460 S&W, the Model 90A in 454 Casull, the Model 90B in .45 Colt, the Model 89A in 500 Linebaugh, and the Model 89B in .475 Linebaugh. In 2017, Big Horn Armory took a departure from its lever-action series and developed the AR500 Auto Max, the most powerful short-range, semi-automatic based on an AR .308 platform. [www.bighornarmory.com](http://www.bighornarmory.com)