

Knifemaker Spotlight: Carlton Evans

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As a full-time knifemaker and native Texan, Carlton Evans made his first knives over 40 years ago in 1967. "I'm intrigued by the craftsmanship of making raw material into a work of art that doubles as a tool and can be passed down for generations," Evans says. Doing his shop work in a converted in a 22-foot utility trailer, he may be one of the only makers to offer "knives on the go." His steels of choice are stainless damascus, 154-CPM and ATS-34. "Each knife is made the old-fashioned way – one at a time," Evans says. "I hand cut, hand shape and hand finish all parts of each knife." Evans offers a variety of different blade shapes and sizes in fixed blade and folding knives and each is signed and numbered. His "Scout" liner lock folder is done in stainless damascus and fossil woolly mammoth ivory handle. His address: POB 72, Fort Davis, TX 79734 817.223.8556 <http://carlton.evans.com>.

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