Wicked Edge Hard Carrying Case - Think Pelican

Posted by wickededge - 21 Feb 2013 15:35

We're close to finalizing the design of a new, Pelican-style, carrying case for the sharpener. It's designed to fit the Pro-Pack II with a few extra accessories. The Pro-Pack I and the Basic Kit will also fit. We're trying to make a decision about whether to go with the option of wheels and a telescopic handle. Between all the components of the Pro-Pack II and the case itself, weight should be around 30 lbs. I'm curious what people think about this option. It will add a decent chunk to the cost to include the wheels and handles. Is this a feature that you guys think you'd want? I'm also trying to gauge interest in such a case overall. How many would want such a case?

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Re: Wicked Edge Hard Carrying Case - Think Pelican

Posted by Sauce - 21 Feb 2013 17:35

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Thanks,

Sauce

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Re: Wicked Edge Hard Carrying Case - Think Pelican

Posted by wickededge - 21 Feb 2013 17:38

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Sauce

Thanks for the feedback Sauce. I'm not sure yet what we can get done on pricing - they're not cheap but the quality is awesome. Do you have a sense of what you feel like a reasonable price is? The company we're working with is trying to make it happen for us and they're much more reasonable than Pelican, but the cases are still expensive.

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Re: Wicked Edge Hard Carrying Case - Think Pelican

Posted by cbwx34 - 21 Feb 2013 17:46

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For me part of it's size as well as weight... if it's not too big, I'd say no wheels. I had a case a few years back you could carry a laptop, small printer, and some books (back when these things were big & heavy)... thing had wheels but it was small enough that rolling it was a bigger PITA then carrying it.

Plus I suspect some will use it more for storage than transportation?

One thing that would be nice... you could pull out your base and set it on top of the case to sharpen?

Oh, and no more than $5.00

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Re: Wicked Edge Hard Carrying Case - Think Pelican

Posted by JamesBell - 21 Feb 2013 18:49

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Looking back at the thread "Case for Wicked Edge" about 7 weeks back page 5 bottom (#8127) user Dicamp posted 3 photos of a Pelican 1600 case. This was the best setup I have seen, it was a big case, but every part had a place. The base and vice Pro 2 placed on top upside down. Every part easy to get to without removing the packing. Plent of room to expand as you add more stones... Very clean...

Clay, I look forward to seeing what version WE might offer.

James

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Re: Wicked Edge Hard Carrying Case - Think Pelican

Posted by EamonMcGowan - 21 Feb 2013 19:19

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lugging the whole set up around with me? But I would like a handy place to keep everything in the reloading room.

Also I can not see myself wanting to pay anymore then $50.00 and that would be tops for me. I'm comfortable around $25-30?

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Re: Wicked Edge Hard Carrying Case - Think Pelican

Posted by wickededge - 21 Feb 2013 19:22

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Great feedback, thank you. I'm not sure if we can get them down that low. Which model sharpener do you have?

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Re: Wicked Edge Hard Carrying Case - Think Pelican

Posted by SleeplessJunkie - 21 Feb 2013 19:25

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I've been doing some research about making myself a pelican case for storage while awaiting my WEPS to arrive. Based on what I've found and the size of case required to hold everything, not to mention all of the time and effort trying to get everything just perfect... I'd be willing to pay around $125-$150 for a pre-made case for my WEPS. Gotta protect your investments!

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Re: Wicked Edge Hard Carrying Case - Think Pelican

Posted by EamonMcGowan - 21 Feb 2013 19:40

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Great feedback, thank you. I'm not sure if we can get them down that low. Which model sharpener do you have?[/quote]

Just got the Pro Pack 1 in yesterday. Did some practice on knife #2 today. I had a lot of fun!! Knife came out pretty well? Not any better then I can do free hand? But I think I'm on to something!!

I'm not really happy with the tolerances of the arms? I think I'm in need of the washers or the upgrade??

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Re: Wicked Edge Hard Carrying Case - Think Pelican

Posted by Geocyclist - 21 Feb 2013 19:54

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Clay,

How many sets of stones/strops will it hold? Will the slots for stones be versatile? I.e. hold a thick Chosera as well as a thin strop?

I would go for no wheels. Even if it's heavy this is something I won't roll it around. I would understand a traveling knife sharpener would want wheels. For me it is just storage. The other reason I don't like wheels is I would set it on a table to unpack.

I assume all WE bases are the same size? I have the black paperstone base. One of these days I was planning on getting a piece of granite cut, maybe a little wider and longer in the back. This might affect my decision (to cut a larger base) if the case is sized for the standard base.

I also will carry it handcuffed to my wrist, the telescoping handle doesn't work as well for this.

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