A Tale of Three Swords by Jonty Depp

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Here you go! The side-by-side comparison of the Hanwei Revolutionary War Hanger against the two "Sparrow Swords"— the Disney Plastic Sword and the Master Replica Captain Jack Sparrow sword. Initially the War Hanger looks like a "beast" in the scabbard when you side-by-side it with the MR sword in an ACME scabbard.



But the War Hanger is not so hugeish once it's unleashed! Yes, 'tis a bit "banana-curvy" (as other pirates have said) and I am not sure I'm in love with that aspect of it, but I am intending to fight with it in re-enactment scenarios but not necessarily parade with it at all times.

I may still carry the MR as it is more delicate and lighter to have hanging off of me.



The War Hanger Scabbard is well made but certainly not screen accurate - I don't think it was ever meant to be. I think the same applies with the curve to the blade. It has a chunky leather-finish (not sure if it's real or synthetic leather) scabbard that is a very snug fit if you also wear an ACME baldric. The Hanger does make a "good sound" as you draw the blade from the scabbard (screen accuracy sound)! But it'll need a more authentic scabbard for it to be closer to Jack's.



The balance point of the War Hanger is 5 1/2 inches ahead of the front of the handguard - I don't know what that really means as I am a novice in such things, but it's much nicer to hold than an MR which is nose heavy.

830g in weight compared to 700g for the Master Replica

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I do like the handguard and handle on the War Hanger - very nice I think. The pommel is small (same as the MR actually) but don't think it really detracts anything.



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The War Hanger has a finish on the blade to give it an "antiqued look."



Blade tip shape— It is quite pointy and I think I'll have to round it off for re-enactment work. So I may re-shape it a bit - I do have an angle grinder!!! But, I am worried about doing this so I may consult a blacksmith for the "best way."

Cheers team. Jonts

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