

## Sitivien ST33

# Sitivien ST33 Fixed Blade Knife User Manual

Model: ST33 | Brand: Sitivien

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing the Sitivien ST33 Fixed Blade Knife. This manual provides essential information for the safe and effective use, maintenance, and care of your knife. The ST33 is a full tang fixed blade knife featuring a VG10 steel blade and a carbon fiber handle, designed for various outdoor activities including survival, camping, hunting, and fishing.



*Image: The Sitivien ST33 Fixed Blade Knife, showcasing its black stonewashed blade, carbon fiber handle, and Kydex sheath.*

## 2. SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

- **Always handle with care:** The blade is extremely sharp. Avoid direct contact with the cutting edge.
- **Keep out of reach of children:** Store the knife securely in its sheath and in a location inaccessible to children.
- **Use appropriate techniques:** Always cut away from your body. Ensure a stable grip and clear workspace.
- **Inspect before use:** Before each use, check the blade and handle for any damage or looseness. Do not use a damaged knife.
- **Wear protective gear:** Consider wearing gloves and eye protection when performing demanding tasks.
- **Never throw the knife:** This knife is not designed for throwing.
- **Secure in sheath:** Always return the knife to its Kydex sheath when not in use to prevent accidental injury.

## 3. KEY FEATURES

- **Blade Material:** VG10 Black Stonewashed Steel, 6mm thick, offering durability and edge retention.
- **Handle Material:** Ergonomic Carbon Fiber, textured for a comfortable and secure grip, resistant to high temperatures and corrosion.
- **Sheath:** High-strength, lightweight Kydex sheath with adjustable clip for versatile carry options (vertical, horizontal/scout style).
- **Full Tang Design:** Ensures maximum strength and durability for heavy-duty tasks.
- **Overall Length:** 12.68 inches (32.2 cm).
- **Blade Length:** 6.97 inches (17.7 cm).
- **Net Weight:** 15.60 oz (442g) (19.89 oz / 563.8g with sheath).

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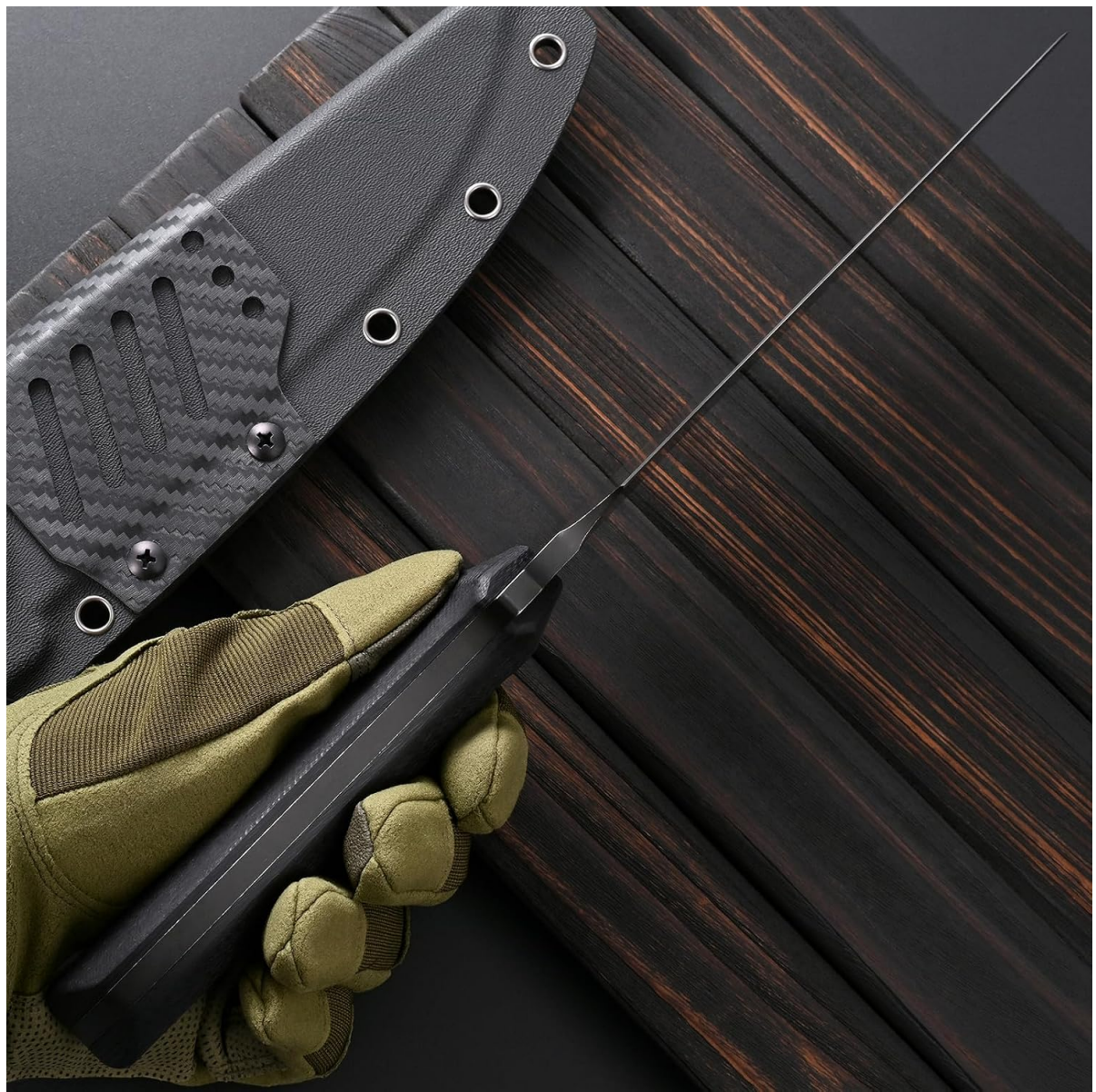
## 4. SETUP AND SHEATH ADJUSTMENT

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The Sitivien ST33 comes with a durable Kydex sheath designed for secure and versatile carry.

### 4.1 Attaching the Sheath to a Belt

1. Identify the adjustable belt clip on the Kydex sheath.
2. The clip can be adjusted for various carry positions (vertical, horizontal/scout style) by loosening the screws, rotating the clip to the desired angle, and re-tightening the screws.
3. Slide the belt through the adjusted clip, ensuring a snug fit to prevent movement during activity.



*Image: The Kydex sheath features an adjustable belt clip, allowing for various carry orientations to suit user preference and activity.*

## 5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sitivien ST33 is a robust tool suitable for a range of outdoor and utility tasks. Always prioritize safety and use the knife for its intended purpose.

### 5.1 General Cutting Tasks

- For general cutting, ensure a firm grip on the carbon fiber handle. The ergonomic design provides comfort and control.
- Apply steady pressure and cut away from your body and other people.
- The fine edge of the VG10 blade is suitable for delicate work, while the belly is effective for slicing and skinning.

### 5.2 Batoning (Wood Splitting)

The full tang and 6mm thick VG10 blade make the ST33 capable of batoning for splitting wood.

1. Place the blade across the grain of the wood you wish to split.
2. Use a sturdy piece of wood (a baton) to strike the spine of the knife, driving the blade through the

log.

3. Ensure strikes are firm and controlled, maintaining a secure grip on the knife handle.

## 5.3 Feathersticking and Fine Woodwork

The sharp VG10 blade allows for precise tasks like creating feathersticks for fire starting.

1. Hold the knife firmly and angle the blade against the wood.
2. Shave thin curls of wood, working slowly and deliberately to create fine tinder.



*Video: Demonstration of the Sitivien ST33 Fixed Blade Knife performing various outdoor tasks, including batoning and feathersticking, highlighting its durability and sharpness.*

## 6. MAINTENANCE

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### 6.1 Cleaning

- After each use, especially after contact with food, dirt, or corrosive materials, clean the blade and handle thoroughly.
- Use mild soap and water. Dry immediately with a soft cloth to prevent water spots and corrosion.
- For the carbon fiber handle, a damp cloth is usually sufficient.

### 6.2 Sharpening

- The VG10 steel blade holds an edge well but will eventually require sharpening.
- Use a high-quality sharpening stone or ceramic sharpener. Maintain the original blade angle for best results.
- If unsure, seek professional sharpening services.

### 6.3 Storage

- Store the knife in its Kydex sheath in a dry environment.
- Avoid storing in humid conditions or direct sunlight for prolonged periods.
- Apply a thin layer of rust preventative oil to the blade if storing for extended periods, especially in humid climates.

## 7. TROUBLESHOOTING

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### 7.1 Dull Blade

If the blade becomes dull, refer to the sharpening instructions in the Maintenance section. Regular light sharpening is easier than restoring a very dull edge.

### 7.2 Loose Handle Scales

In rare cases, handle screws may loosen over time with heavy use. Use an appropriate screwdriver to gently tighten the screws. Do not overtighten.

### 7.3 Sheath Retention Issues

If the Kydex sheath loses some retention, ensure no debris is lodged inside. Kydex can sometimes be heat-molded for minor adjustments, but this should be done with caution or by a professional.

## 8. SPECIFICATIONS

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| Model Name                 | ST33                                                            |
| Brand                      | Sitivien                                                        |
| Overall Length             | 12.68 inches (32.2 cm)                                          |
| Blade Length               | 6.97 inches (17.7 cm)                                           |
| Handle Length              | 5.71 inches (14.5 cm)                                           |
| Blade Width                | 1.77 inches (4.5 cm)                                            |
| Blade Thickness            | 6 mm                                                            |
| Handle Thickness           | 2.5 cm                                                          |
| Net Weight (Knife only)    | 15.60 oz (442g)                                                 |
| Weight (with Kydex sheath) | 19.89 oz (563.8g)                                               |
| Blade Material             | VG10 Steel                                                      |
| Blade Finish               | Black Stonewashed                                               |
| Handle Material            | Carbon Fiber                                                    |
| Sheath Material            | Kydex                                                           |
| Recommended Uses           | Outdoor, Hunting, Fishing, Camping, Hiking, Survival, EDC tools |