



Big on comfort but the colours can run

FuryganFit-R2 leather gloves £129.99

Tester Dan Sutherland
Time used 6000 miles/six months
What's good? These were my go-to sports gloves in 2017, proving ideal for trackdays, commuting and sunny weekend blasts. The understated black and white design, with licks of red, looks fantastic alongside my other riding kit and there is plenty of protection, including hard knuckles, goat leather palms and fused ring and little fingers. The wrist and cuff Velcro closures are easy to operate with the opposite gloved hand and, to my mind, much faster than the 'Boa' lacing system on my previous Knox Handroids (£199.99).

Once bedded in, the stretch panels on the cuffs sit comfortably over leathers, with enough stretch to also accommodate the tips of the sleeves on my trusty RST Blade textile jacket.
What's not? In particularly heavy rain, the colours have tendency to run, leaving your fingers stained with black dye, which is very difficult to remove. On cooler days I also like to wear thermal inner-gloves, however the tight fit of these Furygans makes this almost impossible. These are summer gloves though and so aren't designed to work with a pair of inner gloves.
Contact www.nevis.uk.com
Quality ★★★★★
Value ★★★★★

6000 MILES

RST Tour Tech Socks £9.99

Tester Joe Dick
Time used 7000 miles/six months
What's good? This time last year if you told me I needed riding socks, I'd have laughed at you. Socks are socks – or at least so I thought! How wrong I was and thanks to RST, I now ride in nothing other than dedicated motorcycle socks. The RST Tour Techs wick the sweat away fast and efficiently keeping your feet nice and dry and are quite possibly the most comfortable pair of socks I've ever owned. With nylon/polyamide for durability, cotton for comfort and Lycra for a perfect fit, they've got it all. This is without mentioning the padded shin and heels, toe protection and a padded footbed. They're also knee length – making them the perfect companion for your motorcycle boots. At just £9.99, I think they're great value and you can really tell they're designed for purpose.
What's not? There's stretch stitching in the toes, but I managed to catch and put a nice hole in one of mine. Fortunately, that really is about the only thing I can criticise when it comes to these socks.
Contact www.rst-moto.com
Quality ★★★★★
Value ★★★★★



SIX MONTHS

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XCP Professional Chain Lubricant (400ml) £9.99

Tester Tim Thompson
Time used 15 sprays/four months
What's good? I gave up using aerosol lubes a few years ago. A weekly clean and application of a thinner, non-sticky oil is a far more pleasing path; a zinging, lightly-oiled chain makes everything feel just so, despite the extra work. XCP's chain lube has changed all that. Despite coming in an aerosol, it's thin, clear and clean – and a little goes a long way. Excess lube wipes off easily and, because it dries to a clear film, the wheel and underseat stay pretty much fling-free.
What's not? I've not been overly scientific with it so can't reveal anything about its effect on chain wear or resistance to wet weather. My Honda Fireblade requires frequent chain adjustment, but that's also the case with all SPs used on track.
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Quality ★★★★★
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