

THE MCN SHOWCASE

SUMMER RIDING JACKETS

Versatile gear that'll keep you comfortable and well protected

MCN BEST BUY



Klim Badlands Pro £1070

'The coolest waterproof ever!'

Tested by Jordan Gibbons for 12 months, 2500 miles



When Klim built the third generation of their top-of-the-range adventure suit, they wanted to improve the cooling. For a start there are 12 vents: eight intake vents and four exhaust vents, including giant ones on the chest and back. The D30 Aero Pro armour is exclusive to the jacket, allowing yet more airflow. Last of all, the shoulders and elbows are lined with Klimatch fabric that's designed to be cool to the touch. I've ridden in 33°C humid weather and stayed as fresh as it's possible to be. Silly money, but very good.

Quality ★★★★★ Value ★★★★★
www.klim.com



Oxford Iota 1.0 Air textile jacket £99.99

'Short, stylish and great value too'

Tested by Ali Silcox for two years, 1000 miles



This short, stylish jacket is perfect for summer rides. The shell is mesh but I don't feel that safety has been compromised, as the jacket is CE approved to Level A. It also has CE protectors at the shoulders, elbows and space for a back protector. There are adjusters to get the fit just right on the arms and waist. I hate the fact female kit has to be pink but the flashes of fuchsia are subtle enough. I've worn similar jackets from other firms that are considerably more expensive, for under £100, this is great value for money.

Quality ★★★★★ Value ★★★★★
www.oxfordproducts.com



- Fit and comfort rated
- Design, construction and CE scores rated
- Worn in all summer riding conditions

RATINGS

Exceptional ★★★★★ Very good ★★★★
Good ★★★ Average ★★
Poor ★

Richa Monza leather jacket £239.99

'Now my go-to jacket'

Tested by Richard Newland for four years, 30,000+ miles



If you're looking for a protective, simple, and excellent-value leather jacket that isn't drowning in features or likely to bankrupt a small country, try the Monza. My go-to leather jacket for four years now, it's super-tough, AA rated for protection, comes with D30 elbow and shoulder armour (there's a pocket to add a D30 back protector, at £39.99 more) and it works across a wide temperature range. I'll wear it from 10-degrees up to sweltering, but at the top end of sun-baked it does get pretty warm as it's thick, not overly vented, and the liner isn't removable. The soft padded cuffs are comfy, the cut of the neck doesn't dig in your throat, the zips are all YKK,

and there's Velcro waist adjusters, two zipped outer pockets and two generous inner ones (map-size) plus a zipped chest one. Matching zip-together AA-rated jeans are also available (£209.99). Niggles? The cuff zips drift open an inch or so sometimes as the pulls don't lock down, it can get a bit sweaty on really hot days, and the fixed liner reduces its flexibility.

Quality ★★★★★ Value ★★★★★
www.nevis.uk.com

PROS & CONS

- + Great, rugged, old-school build quality
- Bit warm in peak summer, drifting zips



Your riding life will feel the richer for it...