



Small change that's made a huge difference

4300 miles ON TEST

The finish is second to none

Wunderlich Bar Risers £179.90

'Sweet back relief'



Tested by Justin Hayzelden for two months

When I first stood up on the pegs of the MCN fleet's long termer H-D Pan America to take it off road, my lower back fired a warning shot across the bows to say that bending forwards to reach the bars in such a fashion was not going to be an option for any duration.

Enter Wunderlich, a German accessories manufacturer who have carved out a niche making specialist parts for BMWs and now produce a comprehensive range for a number of adventure bikes, including Milwaukee's finest. Their Ergo+ riser kit lifts the bars by 45mm and places them 23mm closer to the rider, which proved to be the ideal position for my 5ft 11in frame – not just when standing but when seated too, making the Pan Am feel more supermoto than dual sport tourer.

The risers are better-than-factory finished black anodised milled aluminium and come with full instructions, including torque specifications. Fitting was straightforward, requiring just a little loosening of cable ties to ensure full and free movement of the handlebars. My back loves them.

Quality ★★★★★ Value ★★★★★
nippynormans.com



Hidden risers give you a boost

Daytona Lady Star GTX Boots £469.99

'Daytona GTX are high and mighty'



Tested by Charlotte King for three months

My main reason for choosing these boots in particular, was the hidden riser in the sole giving an extra 6cm height in the heel and 2.5cm at the toe.

As a fairly short rider, with only a 27in inside leg, these have given me a little extra confidence on my Aprilia RS660, which in reality is a little tall for me. When sitting at traffic lights it's now much easier to flat-foot one side and take the weight of the bike more comfortably, without having to drop my hip right off the side of the bike.

The boots were comfortable from the first wear without any need for breaking in. The lining feels plush and the zippers feel sturdy and strong. There are two zips, one either side of the boot, making fitting them around the leg of your trousers really easy, along with the addition of the hook and loop adjustable gusset to the rear. They are CE Level 2 certified across the board for protection, giving me peace of mind, which is surprising given how discreet and non-intrusive the padding and protection is.

Daytona claim that they are waterproof, and I can attest to this having worn them while riding in what can only be described as biblical weather, in the most torrential rainstorm that I have ever experienced, and still I arrived at the office with dry feet.

They have a decent sole with a reasonable level of tread which makes moving the bike around without slipping in the loose ground outside my garage far easier and the chance of me dropping it greatly reduced. I found that the insole of the boot is the most comfortable I have worn so far, with good enough support that it wasn't necessary for me to add an aftermarket insole as I usually would.

They still look like new, showing very little wear to the leather outer and although they are a pricey boot at over £400, they really are fantastic and I think they are worth every penny of that price.

Quality ★★★★★ Value ★★★★★
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Versatile suit and comfy too



Oxford Rockland jacket £249.99 (£199 trousers)

'Solid adventure at a sensible price'



Tested by Phil Clarke for four months

Oxford are one of the first brands I think of when I'm looking for good-value motorcycle kit and the Rockland is their four-season jacket and trousers for all-weather adventure rides.

What they've come up with is a true jack-of-all trades. Yes, the zipped ventilation could be better, but it's leagues ahead of a leather jacket in sweltering weather. Sure, the

waterproof liner is more like water-resistant in the rain, but I always regret riding through a storm without it. It has kept me reasonably dry in all but the most torrential of downpours.

The jacket is CE certified to the AA level and has CE Level 1 armour at the shoulders and elbows. There's no back protector, but there is a pocket for you to fit one. There's also a connector zip to attach them to the matching trousers (or other Oxford pants).

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



Click on and go. It's so simple

Wunderlich Click System Bag £109.90 & Tank Ring £39.90

'Well tanked-up'



Tested by Richard Newland for four months

Simply fit the tank ring using the parts supplied in the ring kit, then fit the baseplate to the bag in the best position for you/the bike, and you're ready to go. The tankbag is fitted by plonking it onto the ring mount – it automatically locks in place – while removing it simply requires pulling the release cord. Once fitted, the ring mount will accept any bag from the Click range. I've been using the 3-litre option as it swallows a decent amount of those little things you want to have to hand. You do need to use the rain cover in the wet, as it's not waterproof without. Quality is top notch, and despite repeated use and soakings, it still looks brand-new.

Quality ★★★★★ Value ★★★★★
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