1 Scorpion ADF-9000
£299.99–£395.99
‘A well-specified helmet and a decent price’

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Scorpion has impressed us in previous tests and this helmet is no different. It looks the part and delivers in many areas, including performance and noise.

It’s quite an angular design and comprises some very nice features. Fit is excellent straight from the box but it features Scorpion’s inflatable cheek pads for a perfect fit across the face – and they work. The lining is plush and deep, feeling lovely against the skin, and despite what appears to be a deep chin bar, there is plenty of space.

The (non-adjustable) peak can be removed easily, with a turn-and-lock fixing on the top and two hand screws on the side. But the side screws are not captive and you could easily drop and lose them. The visor pulls out from the mounting but requires some force, leading to fingerprints all over it. The peak and visor can be removed separately; it is far easier to remove the peak first.

In use it feels good if slightly cumbersome. A huge visor aperture means virtually uninterrupted peripheral vision – and shoulder checks are easy and effective.

Venting is reasonable – the chin vent offers switchable air to the visor and separately to the face using an internal switch – it’s a little tricky to get to, though.

The overall helmet was stable and felt slightly noisy, but the sound measurements didn’t bear this out.

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VERDICT

Decent venting, low noise and impressive feature list makes this a very compelling helmet. Decent price, too.

THE FACTS

Material	Composite
Weight	(M, inc Pinlock) 1673g
Fastening system	Double D-ring
Pinlock included?	✔ 70
Integrated sun visor?	✔
Adjustable peak?	✖
Removable interior?	✔
Quick-release cheek pads?	✔
Intercom ready?	✔
Vents	8 (4 front, 4 rear)
No. shell sizes	3
Warranty	5 years
Sizes	XS-3XL

BENCH TEST

Sound level, vents open	**98dB**
Sound level, vents closed	**98dB**
Time to remove visor*	**1m09s**
Time to remove peak	**16s**

* Includes removing/refitting peak.

THE SCORES

Fit

Comfort

Ease of use

Venting

Noise

Total 38/50