Product news

EDITOR DAN JOYCE PREVIEWS A SELECTION OF PRODUCTS THAT WERE ON DISPLAY AT BIKE SHOWS EARLIER THIS YEAR

1 FINISH LINE TUBELESS TIRE SEALANT £TBC
Latex-based sealants typically dry into a useless rubbery residue after 3-6 months. This stuff, which uses kevlar fibres in suspension, “lasts the life of the tyre”. finishlineusa.com

2 COTIC ESCAPEDE F&R £499
Priced keener than most road-plus framesets, Cotic’s carbon-forked all-rounder still ticks the on-trend boxes: through-axles, flat-mount disc brakes, and clearance for plush 50-584 tyres. cotico.co.uk

3 TRELOCK SL 460 SMARTLOCK £105.99
This frame-lock doesn’t use a key or a battery: it locks and unlocks via your Android phone, which is placed against the sensor to power it via induction. trelock.de

4 CROSSHEAD FOLDER £1,800+
With 20in wheels and a packed size of 685×620×360mm (claimed), this aluminium folder fits trains fine but is aimed at riders who want to go faster or further than Brompton buyers. crosshead.co.uk

5 TRIGGER BELL £9.99
With this simple, fits-anywhere bell, you don’t have to choose between squeezing your brake levers and pinging loudly to alert pedestrians. triggerbell.com

6 TAILFIN T1 £249.99
This 350g, carbon fibre (!) rack attaches via a special axle to frames without conventional fittings, e.g. road bikes. It’s quick release so suits intermittent use. Bags are £89.99 each. tailfin.cc

7 ALPKIT CUTTLEFISH SEATPACK £TBC
It’s a 9-litre bikepacking seatpack for dropper seatposts, supported by a metal loop that’s sandwiched in the seat clamp. alpkit.com

Bespoked 2018
The UK Handmade Bicycle Show is in Bristol from 20-22 April and you can get 2-for-1 entry. For details, see the British Steel bike test this issue (p80)

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