

Singular Cycles

After two decades of selling adventure bikes and mountain bikes as framesets only, Singular Cycles is now offering off-the-peg complete bike builds with Hope wheels. The Gryphon (pictured), a drop-bar steel 29er with 11-speed Shimano GRX 600/SLX costs £2,550 – as does the Peregrine, a steel off-road explorer with 11-speed Shimano GRX, and the Swift, a 29x3-compatible steel hardtail with 12-speed XT/SLX. The Kite, a titanium gravel bike with a 3D-printed Ti fork and 12-speed Shimano GRX 820, is £4,750. We plan to review one of the bikes later in the year. singularcycles.com



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My very favourite tool is a Dynaplug; it's about £50. I'd love some nice Mudhugger guards for winter, then I'd spend the change on lunch.



What's your favourite cycle journey? One with friends, heading into the mountains.

What single thing would most improve matters for UK cyclists? Mindset – a shift from 'us versus them' to 'we're all traffic'. The biggest barrier isn't infrastructure or weather, it's the idea that roads belong to one group more than another. If we reframed the road as a shared space rather than a battleground, behaviour would instantly soften.

Ruben Cutler

Most four-year-olds are still just getting the hang of pedal cycling but last year my son Ruben rode 17km in 2 hours 23 minutes, writes Hannah Cutler. He learned to ride his bike over the 2024 Christmas period. Then in the summer he cycled the Kent coastal path from Margate to Reculver with his father.

Ruben isn't an avid cyclist. However, he loves sports, challenges and pushing himself. The ride wasn't about speed; it was about curiosity and determination. Along the way he stopped for snacks and water, enjoyed the scenery, and assured us that he was doing OK. By the end, he crossed the finish line grinning from ear to ear, exhausted but triumphant.

Ruben's adventure shows that cycling isn't about the distance alone but the attitude. Cycling doesn't have to be about being the fastest or training all the time. Sometimes, it's about setting a goal, taking it step by step, and loving every minute of the ride.

Your ride



Bespoked London

The UK's handmade bike show moves from Manchester to London for 2026, taking place in Peckham from 24–26 April. There will be more than 70 exhibitors

displaying distinctive bikes, components and accessories, as well as talks, film and rides. Advance tickets cost £18 (plus £1.25 booking fee) for the day or £28 (ditto) for the whole weekend. bespoked.cc