



Osprey Exos 58 Review

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Comfort

The Osprey Exos was surprising comfortable especially considering its exceptional light weight. It was more comfortable than the REI Flash 62 and similar to much heavier packs we tested like the Mountain Hardwear South Col and the Gregory Z 65. The fabric on the inside of the waist belt is cozy and, despite some initial skepticism, we found the shoulder straps quite comfortable even with minimal clothing on.

The pack has well vented from its perforated shoulder straps to the space behind the back panel, making this pack idea for use in warmer areas or people who run on the warmer side.

Weight

At 2 lbs 8 oz, this pack is half a pound lighter than the next lightest pack in our review and half the weight of many others we tested. For folks whose primary concern is weight but still want a frame, then look no further. This pack is even lighter than many packs on the market that have no frames.

Suspension

Despite its lightweight, the Exos 58 has a relatively solid suspension.

Ease of use

Nearly all the features are well designed and easy to use. We like the two zippered pockets on the back of the pack. They weren't super big, but offered additional organizational spaces for smaller, easily lost items. We could also easily stuff a wind shirt or gloves in there. We really liked the stretchy pocket on the back; it was secure and we used it for all kinds of small items that we wanted to be easily accessible – or to keep smelly clothing or garbage away from the rest of our stuff.

The Exos 58 is an amazing light pack that is similar in design to Osprey's Atmos series, just lighter. At 2 lbs 8 oz the Exos is the lightest weight pack in our review and one of the lightest packs that has a real frame. It has many great features and felt slightly bigger than its 58 liters would suggest. It is great for backpackers and trekkers as well as alpine climbers and mountaineers.

