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Osprey Farpoint 55 Review

Travel Backpack



Overall avg rating 5.0 of 5 based on 1 review. Most recent review: April 20, 2013



A 55-liter travel pack with a detachable daypack, the Osprey Farpoint has our testers excited to book a flight to somewhere far, far away. The Editor's Choice winner, the Farpoint has a taller, slimmer design that is easier to carry than the shorter, wider packs we tested. While you should always consider personal fit first and foremost, our testers agreed that the taller pack provided greater balance and mobility than packs like Eagle Creek Rincon 65, making it our favorite travel-pack-that-can-also-be-used-for-backcountry-adventures.

Although this pack doesn't have any external pockets, it does feature a detachable daypack, which conveniently zips onto the back or clips to the front shoulder straps. We loved that we could ditch the main pack and head out to explore with the daypack, or leave the daypack at home and head out on an overnight backpacking trip with the main pack. When considering its comfort, versatility, and ease of packing, our testers agreed that the Osprey Farpoint should take home the Editor's Choice Award for this review.

One of the most comfortable packs in this review, the Osprey Farpoint features a Lightwire alloy frame that provides structure around the edge of the pack. With its wide, padded hip belt (which is ½ wider but not as padded as the Rincon's hip belt), its load stabilizing straps, and semi-breathable back mesh panel, this pack carries better than any other travel pack we reviewed. More of a tall, slim pack, the Osprey Farpoint mimics the shape of the back rather than creating the uncomfortable and unbalanced turtle shell effect we experienced when testing the Eagle Creek Rincon. A frontloading pack, the Farpoint features a panel that unzips almost all the way down the length of the pack, making it surprisingly easy to access gear throughout the whole bag. We all have those moments where it starts raining and we realize that we put the rain jacket in the.very.bottom.of.the.pack. With the Farpoint, we could easily get that long-lost raincoat without unpacking the rest of our stuff. Huge bonus. This pack also has internal compression straps to keep your stuff in place and external cinch straps on the bottom for sleeping mats, etc.

