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### **User Review: Osprey Viva 50**

This was my first experience with an Osprey pack and it has been a very positive one!

The Viva is marketed as a women's-specific pack; I agree that the Viva is a solid choice for a wide range of women. Several of my female friends tried the Viva and found that fit and comfort met or exceeded our expectations. One of the praised features was the hip belt, which has adjustable pads to better accommodate a woman's curvy figure.

A combination of many small but well-thought-out details makes the Viva stand out among the crowd. Here are a few: A superbly engineered cord lock on the top opening skirt increases ease of use substantially over a conventional barrel-tie. Easy to grasp zipper pulls found on all zippers and ergonomic hipbelt tightening straps that tighten by pulling towards your center.... excellent!



My favorite feature, hands down, is the external hydration compartment. With this design, removal of a bladder is a breeze...I fit 2 liters of water easily. When wearing, the pressure caused by your back seems to help force the water up through the bladder tube. Osprey went so far as to include a drain hole at the bottom, in case a bladder should leak.

Lastly, I travel with my packs on airplanes a lot, so it's an extra bonus that the hard parts of this pack measure 22 inches, the max height of a carry-on for most airlines. I was able to take this pack as a carry-on on 2 different airlines.

In addition to air travel, I tested this pack on a couple of overnights and multiple day hikes of 20 miles or less. I intend to use the pack on a few multi-day trips later this summer and will update the review at that time.

Attention to small details in functionality will delight users and help make this pack a top choice. Thanks for reading!

