



## Mountain Gazette

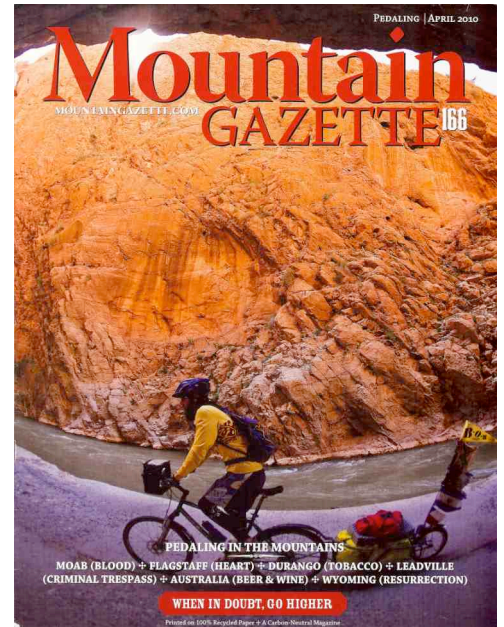
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Gear Up

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### GEAR UP

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**S**PRING MEANS FRESH MUD, HOT pavement, sick downhill, and steep climbs, so squeeze into that Spandex and get ready to ride hard with this fresh gear.

### OSPREY MANTA 30

Hydration packs allow for mercifully hands-free water access, a must on windy mountain paths or on the narrow shoulder of a busy freeway. The Osprey Manta hydration series is a solid performer in any situation, with a capacious three-liter reservoir and 20, 25 and 30-liter sizes. A special Helmet Attachment Loop gives you a place to stick your lid, and an integrated/attached rain cover is crucial for sudden spring showers. Best of all, a supportive mesh back panel creates airflow, to help prevent that pack-shaped sweat stain.

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