



Osprey Mira 26 Hydration Pack Review

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When setting off on a multi-month bikepacking trip this past spring, I needed a hydration pack that would not only [hold enough water to quench my thirst on long days in the saddle](#), but also one that could transport plenty of accessories and gear.

Enter Osprey's Mira 26 hydration pack.

As its name suggests, the size S/M Mira 26 is capable of holding 26 liters. What this means: I can store [my bulkiest of layers](#), a good bit of food, and other accessories that inevitably accompany me on my rides.

Organize Your Gear

Like to micro-manage your accessories? You're in luck as there is no shortage of places to store stuff in.

Outside of the main compartment, three good-sized zippered pockets keep things organized and free from dirt and dust. I've filled these spaces with my camera cleaning equipment; some small camping accessories, such as utensils and cups; and other items that I need to retrieve on a regular basis and want to stay relatively clean.

Quench Your Thirst

The Mira 26 comes with a three-liter reservoir, which [holds a seriously large amount of water](#)—ideal for long rides and/or bikepacking adventures. While carrying a large amount of water is necessary on many two-wheeled excursions, I found the weight of this amount of water to be a bit too heavy for my petite frame (which is 5'2" on a good day).

Additional Features

[A rain cover is conveniently built in to the bottom of the pack](#), and was put to use on the first cold, rainy day of my bikepacking trip...and many other rainy days after. It works just as it's supposed to, and the bright red color allows me to be easily spotted by cars and/or other cyclists.

A hook on the front of the pack lets me easily [store my helmet](#) when I'm traveling—in the car, on a plane, etc.—so it doesn't get misplaced.

A separate, ventilated back panel helps to regulate temperature.

Shoulder straps, hipbelt and sizing are women's-specific.

Available in the following colors: Espresso Brown, Serene Green

MSRP: \$149.95 (Reservoir sold separately in Europe and Asia.)

Mesh pockets—two on either side of the pack and one large one front and center—are ideal for stashing accessories I reach for over and over, like sealed food, [my cycling vest](#) and, depending on the weather, my rain jacket.

Need more? Hipbelt pockets are the perfect size for energy gels, bars, and other small items you want to access on-the-go.

