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Featuring: Escapist 32

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Surely it can't be... oh, but yes, it is! It's the end of another work week, which means that it's time to show you the latest test gear to arrive at *BikeRadar's* US office in Boulder, Colorado. Feast your eyes on the goodness while you make your plans for the weekend. And now if you'll excuse us, we're going to go for a ride.

The Escapist 32 is aimed at bikepackers and adventure riders who need big capacity in a lightweight package. The huge main compartment can be accessed through upper or lower zippered openings, or split into two separate sections. A plethora of other zippered and open sections on the exterior help you organise smaller items, too.

There's also a dedicated sleeve for a hydration reservoir, a liberally padded mesh back panel and hip belt for comfort, side compression straps to help manage bigger and/or heavier loads, and even a built-in rain cover for when the weather turns sour. Up top is Osprey's awesomely simple and elegant LidLock **helmet** holder while down below are some reflective patches for nighttime visibility plus an attachment loop for an LED blinker.

Osprey offers the Escapist in two sizes, both with an adjustable main harness to fine-tune the fit. Total capacity on our smaller S/M size is 30l.

US\$130 / £80 / €100 / AU\$TBC

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