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Review

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Osprey Talon 22



For those moving fast and packing smaller loads, lightweight packs in the Talon series adjust for a wide range of comfort and suit any style with the option of several sharp colors and graphics. Designed for mountain biking, trail running, fastpacking, peak bagging, and adventure racing. Features the AirScape back panel with ridge-molded foam that creates air channels, and adjustable harness, and mesh hip belt pockets.

Summary

This pack is a perfect size for day hikes; snacks, jackets, and extra water all fit nicely. The stretch pocket on the outside is great for holding maps and any other quick access needs. The hip strap with pockets also makes for a secure fit with easy access to smaller necessities. The easy adjustment straps etc. also make it a snap for either my husband or I to wear comfortably.

Pros

- Great organization pockets
- Easily adjustable
- Perfect size for day hike

Cons

- If the pack is stuffed to the brim, it is not easy to access items on the bottom.
- On hot days your back will sweat.

Fit: This pack fits both me and my husband, though it is a bit large for my torso. (I am 5'7" and my husband is 5'11")

Comfort: All straps are comfortable and easily adjustable. It does not have great ventilation, but any pack is going to make your back a little sweaty.

Capacity: This pack holds more than enough for a day hike, and also works great for one person for a weekend getaway.

Organization & Accessibility: The pack has plenty of outside organization and access (2 zipper hip pockets, 2 water bottle pockets with straps to secure any size bottle, one large stretch pocket with snap, smaller top zip storage, small inner zip pocket for keys or wallet, large inner cavity for bulky coats, blankets, snacks etc.)

Ride: When all buckled down (hip and chest straps) and adjusted, this pack is very stable. Depending on how you pack the inside things will shift etc. but not terribly.

Compression: The only compression available is on the water bottle pockets.

Ease of use: Everything works well, the stretchy pockets keep their elasticity well.

Features: I love the reflective accents, this adds safety.

Durability: This pack has held up for more than 5 years with consistent use. Lots of day hikes and overnight travel use.