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Review of Carry-On Luggage

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Ready to upgrade your tired, tattered duffel bag? Find out how scientists at the Good Housekeeping Research Institute tested softside and hardside bags, then read our carry-on luggage reviews to see which performed the best. With most airlines now charging extra for checked bags, it's no wonder more travelers are cramming essentials into carry-on luggage. To help you find one that can go the distance, the Good Housekeeping Research Institute (GHRI), with the help of consumers, evaluated the newest carry-on luggage for durability, comfort, and performance.

Lightweight and durable, this carry-on bag is easy to roll and a soft grip on the telescopic handle. Testers had difficulty unzipping the main compartment, and in tests, the handle sometimes stuck. Also, the bag doesn't have front compartments for additional storage. (ospreypacks.com)

Manufacturer's warranty: Lifetime guarantee. Osprey will repair or replace the bag for free; the consumer is responsible for shipping one way.

Pros:

- The bag and attached handles showed no signs of physical damage after our drop tests.
- The fabric remained a little wet right after we sprayed it with water but dried soon after.
- Plenty of room for packing.
- Lightweight (6 pounds when empty).

Cons:

- The fabric showed significant wear and tear after our abrasion test.
- Testers said loading clothes into the front of the bag was awkward, and they had difficulty unzipping the main compartment.
- The retractable handle may occasionally stick when you're pulling it up or pushing it down.

