



J.LAVERACK R J.ACK

Smoothest ride +
most exhilarating
performance
= worthy winner



Once in a while, a bike comes along that just blows our expectations clean out of the water.

The R J.ACK is one such bike. It retains a road-only focus, preferring to do one thing extremely well rather than to spread its abilities thinly over a range of different terrains. It's responsive, quick, respectably light, and also offers all-day comfort. We need to address the price issue: yes, it's the most expensive bike among a group of machines already very far from 'budget' road bikes, but if titanium is the way you're going, you'll want the best. The J.Laverack bike is exactly that.

The Kinesis GTD represents a broadening of riding horizons, and we wouldn't hesitate to recommend it if there's the slightest chance you'll take anything more than a saddle bag on your ride. It stunned with its handling and long-distance potential.

Ribble's CGR Ti scores highly, too, not least by virtue of its versatility, and

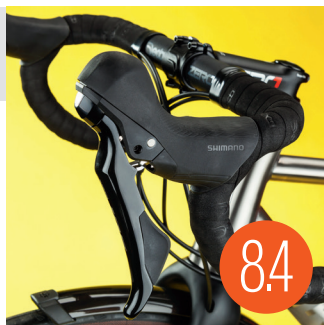
unavoidably attractive price tag. Enigma's Evade, by turns, is an accomplished titanium steed, which supplied a buzz-free ride, and high-quality components, which ended up losing marks merely for the

quality of its tyres – an easy enough fix.

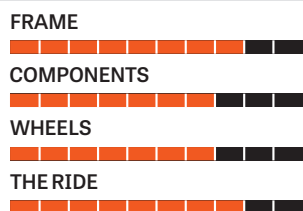
All of these bikes are customisable, but we can only test the complete build we're given, so have scored them accordingly. If budget allows, you can specify any of them to your liking, or

purchase the frameset separately: £1,799 for the Ribble, £2,200 for the Kinesis, £1,750 for the Enigma, and £1,850 for the J.Laverack. Put this way, that's £450 between them – which is food for thought. 🚴

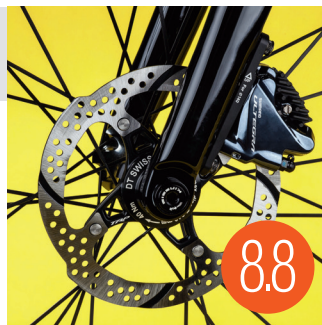
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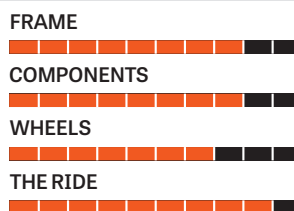
RIBBLE CGR TI
£2,334



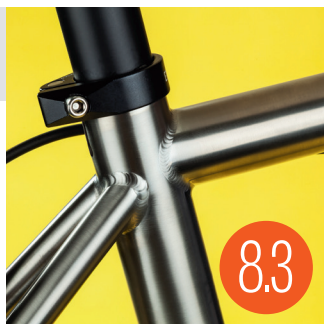
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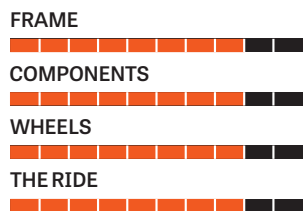
KINESIS GTD
£3,800



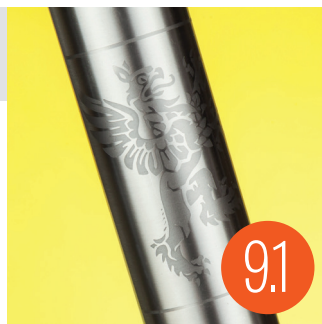
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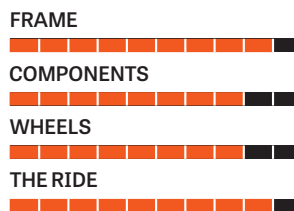
ENIGMA EVADE
£3,539



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£4,125



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