

# Classic styling

A practical modern riding jacket with the attractive looks of an earlier era

## HELD SIXTY-SIX

■ **£189.99** [www.held-uk.co.uk](http://www.held-uk.co.uk)

THEY SAY STYLE never goes out of fashion, which makes this timeless waxed-cotton jacket a sound buy as it will never look dated. It's very comfortable, too. There are green and white/grey options, but this black one looks best to my eyes.

It is about more than looks, though. It comes with CE armour in elbows and shoulders, with a pocket for a back protector (I fitted Held's XL D30 one, £39.99). There are lots of good zipped pockets, a connector zip to attach to trousers and the material claims to be waterproof. Stylish and protective: that's what I want in a jacket. **Simon Weir**



Good pockets and a zip to fit trousers



Poppers to adjust fit

Use these to make sure the sleeves are tight enough to hold elbow and shoulder armour in the correct position

## DUCHINNI D605

■ **£99.99** [www.thekeycollection.co.uk](http://www.thekeycollection.co.uk)

The name's been around for a while, but the Duchinni helmet range has been completely overhauled and now includes some interesting lids at keen prices, including the carbon composite D963 at £180 as well as this ABS-construction flip-front.

First impressions: nice lining, well finished, visor's a bit keen to steam up on cold mornings, and a front that's easy to flip up and down single-handed.

But there's no getting away from the weight: it's a heavy helmet (1890g) and I suspect it's going to get tiring on longer journeys. We'll get back to you when we've done a couple of those. **Steve Herbert**



## GLOBALSTAR SPOT GEN3

■ **£150 (+£118 a year)** [eu.globalstar.com](http://eu.globalstar.com)

This is the latest version of the SPOT satellite GPS messenger, recommended to me by many global travellers. It's to let family and friends know you're OK and where you are. And if it all goes wrong, it can send the emergency services your location. It's not a phone or email device – it will only send pre-written messages.

It's simple to use, and could be a great reassurance for friends and family, who will know where you are even when you're in areas without phone coverage. It's sturdy and compact – slip it in a pocket or hook it to a rucksack. You also need a service package – these start at £118 a year. **CO**

