

PRODUCT TEST £150 TEXTILE JACKETS

ARMR Kumaji £149.99

Price includes CE-approved back, shoulder and elbow armour
www.tri-motive.com

> Visually low-key (and not just because the one we're testing is black), this is a jacket you really shouldn't overlook. Whichever way you look at it, it's an excellent piece of kit. They've not held back on any of the details: short and long connecting zips; a hook to hold the collar open (but no vents, and we didn't miss them); some exceptionally neat and easy-to-use size adjusters on the arms, sides and collar, as well as stretch panels for a good fit; waterproof hip pockets; reflective detailing; and some very classy

materials wherever the jacket comes into contact with bare skin.

When the removable thermal liner is out, there's also a sweat-beating mesh layer.

The Velcro flap over the main front zip can be a bit of a chore to undo, but that really is the extent of the downsides with this jacket.

Scores

Comfort	4
Convenience.....	4
Toughness.....	5
TOTAL	13



▲ Collar is low. Hook keeps it open on hot days without pesky flapping



▲ Multiple side adjusters allow a remarkable degree of tweaking



▲ Choice of popper positions makes it easy to get collar comfy

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Oxford Montreal 2.0 £129.99

Price includes CE-approved shoulder and elbow armour
www.oxprod.com

> This updated version of one of Oxford's most popular items is brimming with neat details.

It has a baggier and shorter feel than the Weise, and a better ventilation system, plus a simple popper to keep the collar held open for extra cooling air on hot days.

There's also a hood built into the collar, for use off the bike or indeed on the bike in heavy rain.

There are waterproof front and rear pockets (but only a couple of inner pockets), plus stretch panels and size adjusters on the

arms and sides. The removable thermal lining isn't particularly attractive, but it does the job.

This is a warm, dry, comfortable jacket that can cope with hotter or more active days, and it feels built to last too.

The cuff zips double as vents. With the thermal lining in, the cuffs can be a little too close-fitting for some bigger gloves. There's some reflective detailing and a short trouser-connecting zip.

Scores

Comfort	4
Convenience.....	4
Toughness.....	4
TOTAL	12



▲ Collar is easy to fasten open, and comes with a built-in hood



▲ Vents aplenty on front, back and at the cuffs. They work well