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Comfy, sporty and won't leave you breathing fire...

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Breath deflector for fog-free rides

LS2 Dragon Enthum £379.99

'Well-trained Dragon'



Tested by Justin Hayzelden for five months

The carbon-shelled Dragon is new to LS2's line-up for 2025, dropping in below the race-ready Thunder range with intentions for sporty touring and everyday riding. I've been using it as my on-the-road office for road testing, commuting and generally getting about, finding it versatile and comfortable enough for all-day use, whatever the weather.

As with most of LS2's helmets, the Dragon has the intermediate oval shell shape. I'm generally a size M, and the fit is bob-on straight out of the box, reassuringly cossetting, with no troublesome pressure points conspiring to ruin my ride.

The interior fabric feels smooth and soft against the skin, and even

after hours of use on hot, sweaty days it's still a pleasant place to be. I particularly like the secure sensation as the cheek pads hug the sides of my face, from along the jawline to around the eye socket.

At 1450 grams (for our medium model), the Dragon is a relatively light lid, and the mass is evenly distributed for a neutral feeling on the move. The sculpted shell shape and rear wing make it slippery at speed, and even on a naked bike there's no unwarranted lift or buffeting when subjected to significant uninterrupted airflow.

Visor removal takes mere seconds via a spring-loaded catch at either side, and installation is just as easy. You do need to ensure it's properly lined up though, because it's possible to install and lock the rear lugs without the front ones, which determine the detents for open

positions, slotting into place. Ventilation is provided by twin entry ports in the chin bar and on the top, with a single exhaust at the rear. So far I haven't felt the need to fit the Pinlock anti-fog insert, such is the effectiveness of the chin vents. The large breath guard helps with this too.

The Thunder is exceptionally quiet, but the Dragon isn't quite as good for keeping wind noise out. That seems to be down to the different design of the neckroll, which doesn't have quite as close a fit towards the back and lets in some roar. I always wear earplugs, so it's only really bothersome when using an intercom (I fitted the same Sena 60S to both helmets), with a distinct drop-off above 50mph.

Build quality is very good, with all the various fixtures and fittings well turned out and sturdy enough to withstand harsh and ham-fisted

operation. The interior does lack a bit of premium plushness, leaving some room for improvement in the choice of materials used and the shape of the liner, which can snag on your ears.

Given the features, accurate fit, smart finish and performance, LS2's Dragon is a very strong contender in the mid-price sports touring helmet sector. It's not perfect, but then again, it is £300 or so cheaper than the top tier.

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PROS & CONS

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Carbon keeps it light, ventilation is effective
- Neckroll fit causes noisy draughts at speed



The interior lining can snag on ears



Quick-release visor catch needs accuracy on installation