

TESTED

'Used, abused & mostly amused'

Schuberth C3 Pro, £479.99
(comms system £299.99)

Tested by Andy Davidson

What's good? The C3 Pro has been my everyday lid for the last year-and-a-half and nothing I've tried since has tempted me to swap. I ride a minimum of 400 miles a week in the C3, commuting to and from work and it's as comfy as the day I got it. The padding remains plush and it's easily washable. The visor is a cinch to take off and clean, the vents are easy to open and close, even with thick gloves. The modular mechanism works without any snags and the sun visor slides smoothly. The Schuberth comms system sits inside the collar and allows me to listen to the radio, send and receive phone calls and play music from my phone. It's easy to thumb your way through the controls and the battery lasts me a week before charging. The voice clarity is so good that those on the other line have no idea I'm riding while speaking to them. I can also run GPS on my phone and listen to the directions through the lid.

What's not? In 18 months I've had two problems. Firstly, the sliding vent on top of the lid pinged off while on the motorway. Schuberth's UK distributor, TranAm, say they would replace this part for free. Secondly the plastic catch which clips the visor shut has snapped. The visor still clicks shut but it's hard to make it do this with one hand. TranAm say it's a rare occurrence, and would be covered under the five-year warranty with them. If the helmet is out of warranty it's £20 to fix. Overall, I'm very pleased.

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Slide-down sun visor is a handy addition. Schuberth also supply a dark visor if you prefer



Soaks up 400 miles per week. Comms system is excellent and comfort is hard to beat



One vent pinged off and the clip on the visor broke - these would be sorted under warranty

Quality ★★★★★ Value ★★★★★



The comms system is a replacement collar which charges via USB. Battery lasts 10-12 hours



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