

YEAR-ROUND WEAR

As if the Oxford Advanced base layers weren't already exceptional value, you can wear them all year round.

BEST FOR PRICE

▼ They perform far better than their price point suggests

▶ No riding up, even for fidgety riders

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RECOMMENDED

6 Oxford Advanced £24.99 top, £19.99 pants

Recommended because of their incredible value

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When it comes to value for money, these are utterly peerless. Okay, so at a fiver less than 50 quid for the pair we have no right to demand the performance of the fancier, higher-tech offerings on test here. But we certainly got a lot more than we felt we deserved at this price point.

The 65% polyamide, 35% polyester fabric forms well to the body and is soft and comfortable. That comfort is abetted by a largely seamless construction, with only flat stitching joining the

arms to the body of the shirt and on the inside legs of the trousers. The fabric boasts insulated and moisture-wicking properties.

Oxford market the Advanced base layers as being suitable for year-round wear. Obviously, this is a winter test so we can't vouch for what they might be like in the warmer months. However, we can say that they offered a good amount of additional warmth on the bike and the sleeves and legs stayed where they were meant to, even on our fidgety

test rider. Off the bike, he didn't dissolve into a sweaty mess either, although they weren't the most breathable.

While not as warm as the more technical offerings with their highly scientific fabrics, and without the cossetting comfort of Merino wool, the Oxford Advanced base layers performed far beyond their modest price.

If you aren't sure whether winter riding is your thing, or are on a modest budget, the Oxford Advanced offerings will let you find out without breaking the bank.

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VERDICT

You needn't spend a fortune to take the cold edge off winter riding. These are very highly recommended.

THE FACTS

Material 65% polyamide, 35% polyester

Sizes S-3XL

Warranty One year (manufacturing defects)

Seamless ✓

Fly ✗

Seasons All

THE SCORES

Warmth

Comfort

Fit

Breathability

Quality

Total **39/50**