

Gifts for cyclists

Getting the right Christmas presents for cyclists can be tricky. Cycle's elves have searched the internet on your behalf



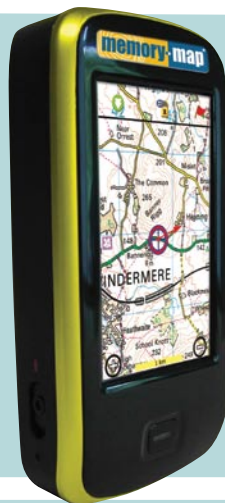
LIKEABIKE MOUNTAIN CLASSIC £179
There are lots of learner bikes available now, but few so charming as the wooden LikeABike. The Mountain Classic has pneumatic tyres, sealed bearings, and won't jackknife. It suits riders aged 2-5. www.likeabike.co.uk, 01937 844068

BASIL ANIMAL BASKET £60.99

Big dogs can use the Springer (p65). Little ones can travel in this wicker pet basket, which has a quick release rear carrier fitting. It's 45x37x31cm. For an extra £25, you can get a space frame to fit over the top to stop him jumping out. www.fisheroutdoor.co.uk



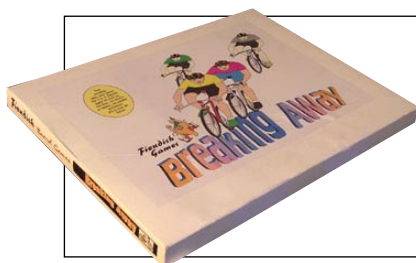
WALLACE AND GROMIT KIDS ROAD JERSEY £25
Foska make a wide range of 'something different' cycling jerseys, for children as well as adults. The designs don't fade and the jerseys are proper bike gear: this one uses breathable CoolPlus fabric and has a 3/4 length zip and two rear pockets. www.foska.com, 0845 310 0120



MEMORY-MAP ADVENTURER 2800 £250
This new GPS comes pre-loaded with Ordnance Survey Landranger maps and is compatible with Memory-Map's PC software – so you can use any of your Memory-Map V5 products with it. It's rugged, lightweight (137g) and has a 400x240 pixel screen. There's an optional bike mount too. www.memory-map.co.uk, 0844 811 0950. (See offer on page 72.)

SPECIALIZED BAR PHAT TAPE £16.99

It's traditional to spruce up an old bike with new tape. Why not improve comfort while you're at it? Specialized's Bar Phat adds gel pads to the tops and drops under Roubaix tape (included). Find your local stockist at www.specialized.com

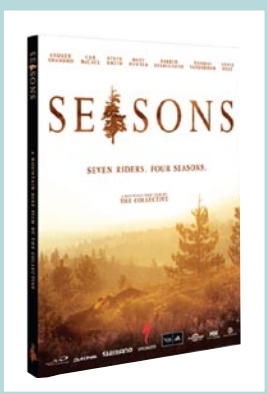


BREAKING AWAY £18
Forget Monopoly or Trivial Pursuit: if you're going to play a boardgame it ought to be about cycling. This cycle racing game is suitable for 3-6 players aged 10 and up. www.fbgames.co.uk



TUBUS AIRY TITANIUM RACK £149.99
 The first titanium carrier rack, the Airy will carry 30kg but weighs just 230 grams. If you've got an expensive audax bike or light tourer that will only sometimes carry small panniers, this is just the thing to fit them to. www.tubus.com

SEASONS DVD £19.99
 The 2008 follow-up to The Collective's beautifully shot Roam, this 60-minute mountain biking DVD is the ideal present for teens and old-enough-to-know-better bikers alike. www.thecollectivefilm.com or online retailers



BIKE MINI CART £15.95
 As well as books (and more), Bicycle Books have some fine die-cast cycles with working wheels and brakes. We like this trike – it's ideal for ferrying business cards or biscuits across your desk! Note that model availability is variable. 01579 389583, www.bicyclebooks.co.uk



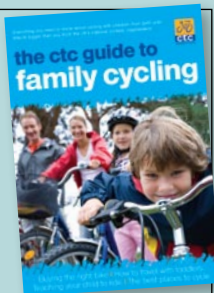
CTC GIFT MEMBERSHIP From £12
 The perfect present that lasts all year! To order CTC Gift Membership simply call 0844 736 8451, give us the details of the lucky person and we'll do the rest. They'll even get a free Buff®!

TERRY TOE COSIES £16.50 plus p&p
 These cosy winter toe warmers fit over your shoes, with cutouts for cleats. They come in two women's sizes: S/M (4-6) and L/XL (6-8). www.minx-girl.com, 07979 700363



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CTC GUIDE TO FAMILY CYCLING £7.99, p&p free
 Everything you need to know about cycling with children, written by Cycle's editor, Dan Joyce. Includes: How to teach your child to ride, how to choose bikes, child-seats and trailers, and much more. To order, call 01795 414824.



CAMELBAK PODIUM BOTTLE £8.99
 The lockable bite valve on this 620mm bottle delivers a proper skwoosh of liquid when you want a drink but won't drip energy mix over your bike frame when you don't. zyro.co.uk, 01845 521700



PARK MB1 MAGNETIC PARTS BOWL £7.99
 How many bearings or small bolts have you lost in the workshop? No more: this 15cm bowl has a really strong magnet to stop metal parts disappearing! www.madison.co.uk



CUSTOM CASSINI MAPS From £5.95
 Missed the post? Go to Cassini's website, create a historical map centred on your friend's home, and email it. www.cassinimaps.co.uk