

Richa Andorra WP £189.99

Light, good spec and considered design

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The Andorra WPs are understated – it is only when you start to dig a bit deeper or try them out that they begin to shine.

Despite having traditional laces (and a lace fixing band), the Andorra WPs also have a tucked-away side zipper system, which is a really handy feature as it allows the boot to sit far more snugly to your ankle. It works very well.

Once on, you get the feeling there is no way the Andorra would get pulled off in an accident, which is a worry with shorter boots (it is

worth noting they score the higher Level 2 in both the impact cut and transverse rigidity tests). Altogether, this is a brilliant performance – you'd consider clocking serious miles in them without worry. A great all-rounder.

Walking in the Andorra WPs is a pleasant experience but occasionally you can feel the flap of the side zipper material touching your inner ankle bone, which may lead to rubbing for some.

It's not that drastic and the boots are generally well padded, comfortable and

don't feel like they need much breaking in – although their chunky-pattered sole is stiffer than that on other walking-focused rival boots.

On a bike, the material gives you lots of feel and the boots strike a nice balance between sturdiness and comfort. The gear change area is very well padded but, as on the road walk, the inner ankle area does seem to rub a bit, which is a shame.

During the waterproofing test the Andorra WPs remained completely dry, despite the side zip.

VERDICT

A very secure-feeling boot, waterproof and comfortable. The Andorra WP is a great option for all-round use.

THE FACTS

Material Nylon with PU inserts

Membrane Aquashell breathable, waterproof and windproof

Height 18cm

CE Rating EN 13634 2017. 1 1 2 2 WR

Fastening Laces

Zips YKK side zip

Sizes available Euro40-47 (UK6.5-13)

Colours available Black, grey

BENCH TEST

Time to water ingress	n/a
Weight, dry	1.27kg
Weight wet	1.45kg
Water retained	0.18kg

THE SCORES

Fit	■■■■■■■■■■■
Comfort	■■■■■■■■■■■
Feel	■■■■■■■■■■■
Waterproofing	■■■■■■■■■■■
Confidence	■■■■■■■■■■■

Total 42/50

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