Product News

2021 TECH

Trade show were cancelled throughout 2020 but new products are still dropping off the conveyor belt of dreams. **Dan Joyce** sifts through a selection

Stock shortages

The pandemic has been a two-edged sword for the bike industry – as an article next issue explains

Surly Disc Trucker £1,900

Surly's steel tourer gets triple bosses and dynamo routing on the fork, 12mm thru-axles, a taller head tube, 'riser' drops... and a higher price. It keeps sensible 3×9 gearing and 26in and 700C options. surlybikes.com

2 Ravemen PR1200 £99.99

Not just another highpowered LED light, the PR1200 has two lenses: a 'full beam' spot and 'low beam' for the road that shines down instead of dazzling. There's also a USB-out for charging your phone.

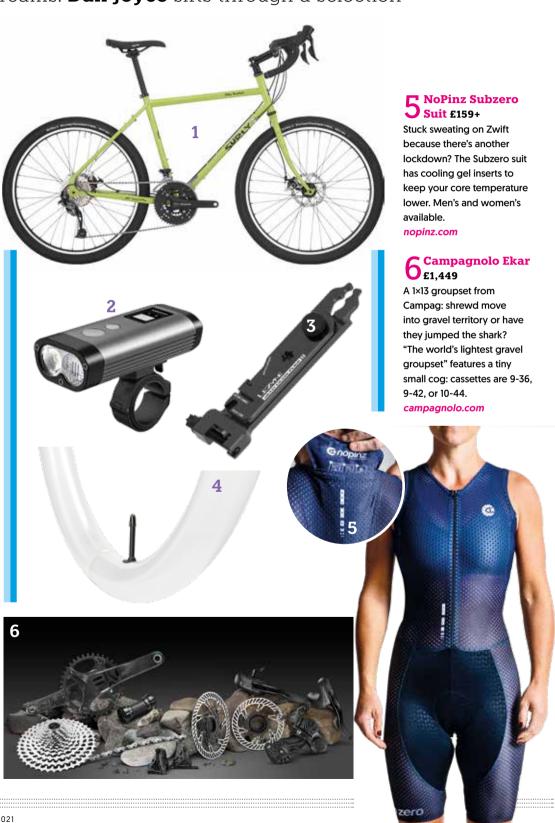
5 Lezyne Multi-Chain Pliers £40

This 61g tool incorporates a chain splitter, valve core remover, disc rotor aligner, bottle opener, and magnetic storage for two quick-links. lezyne.com

4 Schwalbe Aerothan Tubes £24.99

Like Tubolito's orange tubes, Schwalbe's Aerothans are: made from a thermoplastic polymer; lightweight; compact; expensive. My first thought: tubes?

schwalbe.com





Whisky Winston Handlebar \$200

Everything that's old is new again: the moustache handlebar is back. This one is carbon fibre. It has a 25mm drop, 73° backsweep, 60cm width, and a weight of 250g. It's intended for commuting, touring, and off-road use. whiskyparts.co

Tern GSD £4,500+ I really liked the original GSD e-cargo bike (cyclinguk. org/terngsd10). It now has a motor with more torque (85Nm Bosch Cargo Line), a stiffer frame, integrated lower rack decks, a proper chainguard, a lock, and more. ternbicycles.com

Cinq Plug5 Pure €159

There's no buffer battery in this new version of the topcap, dynamo-powered USBport but 12km/h is enough to start charging a phone or topping up a power bank. The 'rotary door' closure is neat.

cinq.de

Chater-Lea Grand Tour Double Crankset £595

Chater-Lea, resurrected by a fan of classic lightweights, is again producing high-end components in the UK. This 46-30 crankset (for a 113mm JIS bottom bracket) is coated by titanium nitride and weighs 668g.

chaterlea.com



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1 Effetto Mariposa Vegetalex £24 for 1L

Biodegradable and plastic free, Vegetalex is a plantbased tyre sealant that uses a mix of ground olive stones, cellulose fibres, and xantham gum. Works for tubeless, tubes, and tubulars. effettomariposa.eu

Cube NuRoad **Race FE** £1,599

Cube's all-rounder isn't a race bike but a well-equipped gravel bike/light tourer/ commuter. For 2021, gearing is 2×11 Shimano GRX with a 30-42 chainset driving an 11-34 cassette. Hub dynamo lighting, too.

cube.eu



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