

## Craghoppers

Kiwi Gore-Tex Jacket £160



OVERALL ★★★★★

**FABRIC** Gore-Tex Performance Shell (2 layer: polyester outer, PTFE membrane, nylon + polyester mesh lining)

**SIZES** 8-20 (men S-XXXL)

**WEIGHT** 665g (12)

**POCKETS** 2 side (zip), 1 chest (zip, under stormflap)

**LENGTH** 75cm/79cm

**FRONT OPENING** 2-way zip, double stormflap with studs, studs at collar, hem

THIS IS THE opposite end of the spectrum from Vaude and GoLite: a traditional, long-line walking jacket with a solid nylon lining at the sides and sleeves and mesh at the back. The solid panels quickly feel clammy once I start exerting. The cut is roomy for layering and is long, easily covering backside and thighs. Hand pockets are placed below the waist, and are accessible below a hipbelt. Despite claims, the chest pocket is too small for an Ordnance Survey-sized map. With the jacket zipped up and the hood packed inside the high collar, the collar feels like a neck brace; it's slightly better with the hood released. The hood is solid nylon-lined and gets clammy. It cinches in with side and volume adjustment but the side adjusters flick around in the wind; I was whacked in the face a few times. Overall, a jacket for traditionalists who don't sweat much.



Hood shape, hand pocket access, protection from length



Flicky hood adjusters, solid lining/breathability

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## Result

£38

R111F Ladies Urban Fell Jacket



OVERALL ★

**FABRIC** HydraDri (2-layer: nylon taslan, PU coating, polyester mesh + taffeta lining)

**SIZES** 8-16 (men S-XXXL)

**WEIGHT** 580g (12)

**POCKETS** 2 side (zip), 1 chest (zip, inside jacket, small)

**LENGTH** 69cm/73cm

**FRONT OPENING** 1-way zip, double stormflap with Velcro patches, studs at collar, hem

TGO READERS expect more from their waterproofs than this offers. HydraDri, Result's own fabric system, appears to have little breathability, although the mesh body and hood lining helps deflect the condensation build-up (the solid arm lining quickly gets clammy, as does the neck nape). The fabric is harsh against wrists and chin; there is no brushed lining on the collar or chinguard and my face soon felt scraped. Side pockets are placed exactly under a rucksack hipbelt so are virtually useless. The hood is terrible, with no shaping or peak. The static adjustment cords simply pull it over my eyebrows like an egg-shaped sack; they are fastened by tying in a bow under the chin (I'm not kidding). The short cut demands overtrousers in wet weather, despite the lowered back. Basically, this jacket justifies its price tag.



Mesh lining



Harsh chinguard, hood, pockets, length...

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## Páramo

Ladies Halcon Jacket £300



OVERALL ★★★★★

**FABRIC** polyester outer, Nikwax Analogy Directional pump liner

**SIZES** XS-XL (men S-XXXL)

**WEIGHT** 835g (M)

**POCKETS** 2 front (bellowed), 2 side (zip), 2 chest (zip), 1 inside chest (zip, mesh), 2 inside pouch (mesh)

**LENGTH** 71cm/75cm

**FRONT OPENING** 2-way zip, inner stormflap with studs

PÁRAMO IS MY top choice for hillwalking in wet weather provided I'm wearing it, not carrying it, because I can guarantee Nikwax Analogy will move moisture and keep me dry. Yes, it has arm vents, but because of the weight, bulk and warmth I never use it in summer or backpack with it. Halcon, relatively new to the range, is festooned with nine pockets - bellowed, zipped, flapped, inside, outside (one takes a map). The cut allows plenty of room to layer without being baggy. The hood is well-shaped and cinches in neatly. The side shockcords stick out in loops but are tethered so can't flick. Two small complaints: when the zip's up the collar stud presses on my mouth (there's no brushed chinguard or collar lining) and the cuffs are bulky under the wrist, where the elastic and Velcro tab double up. I will always have a Páramo garment, but I need a lighter, more versatile jacket too.



Fabric performance, pockets, hood, cut



Lack of versatility (weight, bulk)

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