

# REVIEWS

## INNOVATION

### » Hondo Garage PERFECT SQUEEZE PHONE MOUNT

Like many great products, Hondo Garage's Perfect Squeeze started with an unhappy consumer. Wiley Davis, owner of the Hondo Garage, was frustrated with the lack of phone mounting options available robust enough to securely hold a phone during serious off-road riding. It just so happened that his company designed and manufactured camera rigs used in the film industry. Using that know-how, he set out to create a phone mount with the only guiding principal being "What would the last phone mount you'd ever buy look like".

The result is the Perfect Squeeze (\$79). Measuring 1-5/8 x 3-1/4 x 1-3/8 inches (excluding mounting hardware), the diminutive size is belied by the

weighty feel of its machined billet aluminum construction. The mount has four 3/4-inch rubberized grip posts that narrow slightly from top to bottom for optimal gripping. Two of the posts are mounted stationary while the other two are mounted to a sliding base with an ultra-thin rubberized pad to protect the back of your phone.

The Perfect Squeeze offers a host of mounting options, the slickest being the tested low-profile bar clamp (\$25) whose jaws slide into the machined slot on the mount's back. The reversible jaws allow for the low-profile mount to be used on any tubular part on your bike between 1/2 to 1-1/2 inch in diameter. I experimented with both handlebars and mirror stalks, both resulting in rock-solid mounting. The only minor gripe is that the low-profile jaws are separate as is the screw to tighten them, which means you have to hold



the whole lot together until the mount is slid on. Hondo Garage also sells a bar-tab mount (\$17) for securing the Perfect

Squeeze directly onto the handlebar clamp, as well as the familiar RAM mount (\$8). There is also an adapter to mount the Perfect Squeeze in portrait orientation (\$18).

From construction to performance, the Perfect Squeeze impressed. The level of precision craftsmanship at this price point is notable. The Perfect Squeeze is manufactured in the USA and can be purchased directly from Hondo Garage.



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### » Olympia NEW HORIZON RAIN GEAR

Olympia's New Horizon rain gear updates the already high performing original Horizon set with some key improvements. The exterior shell is 100 percent Aquares laminated rip-stop nylon with copious 3M Scotchlite reflective piping, which runs across the back and from the shoulders to the forearms. The tethered YKK main zipper lives underneath a wide rain channel which closes via velcro tabs, ensuring a dry seal from the waist to the top of the microfiber-lined collar. An overhanging flap on the upper rear conceals subtle mesh vent panels for air to exhaust out of the jacket, preventing it from billowing at speed.

The jacket also features a full-coverage neck gaiter with a rubberized rain hood in an integrated pocket behind the collar, and a huge



"EZ Pack" pouch sewn in to the mesh-lined interior, which allows the entire jacket to fold up into itself. Storage is plentiful, with two external pockets by the waist and one internal pocket on the left breast.

The pants feature the same Aquares nylon exterior shell material. The leg openings are cavernous, with plenty of room to slide even ADV boots through. The lower legs have four velcro strips for quick width

adjustment, and swaths of Nomex heat shields on the inner shin areas to protect the nylon from hot exhaust burns. Like the New Horizon jacket, the pants also fold into themselves via an integrated pouch, freeing up valuable onboard storage space.

During my three-season test regimen, I had the opportunity to ride through some storms of biblical proportion. The Olympia gear kept me as dry as the Sahara, without exception. The Olympia New Horizon suit was superlative in every respect, and deserves to be on any serious rain rider's short list. New Horizon jacket, \$89.99; Horizon pants, \$79.99.



—Moshe K. Levy

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