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PRO RELEASE NEW STEALTH SADDLE DEVELOPED WITH TEAM GIANT-ALPECIN

At this August's Eurobike Show (Friedrichshafen, Germany, 31 Aug to 4 Sept) cycle component brand PRO unveils its new Stealth saddle, the latest of its co-creation projects with Team Giant-Alpecin's professional riders.



Together with Shimano Dynamics Lab and bikefitting.com, a subsidiary of Shimano, a wide variety of performance positions were analysed and tested with professional riders to create a comfortable Stealth saddle truly designed for aggressive all out performances in both road races and time trials. One saddle for two demanding disciplines.

The Stealth saddle's shape is wider in the nose, spreading the pressure and allowing riders to use more of the front of the saddle and remain comfortable on the drops or on TT bars for extended periods of time. This allows riders to maintain a more aerodynamic position on the bike.

At the same time the super lightweight EVA padding shape has been specifically designed to take account of sitbone comfort and pressure points in the three main positions – on the hoods, on the drops and on the aero bars – to provide all-round comfort.

Thigh movement and abrasion points have also been considered with the choice of saddle cover material. The Stealth saddle's polyurethane (PU) cover was tested with a variety of bib short materials to find the lowest friction rates between the saddle and the shorts. Less friction, less rubbing and less irritation for greater comfort.

The most obvious feature though is the wide cut-out channel in the middle of the saddle, offering extra comfort for riders on the edge. To retain saddle stiffness and power transfer the base includes horizontal reinforcement bridges, part of a one-piece carbon reinforced base.



The underside of the base features ports for new PRO accessories including PRO sports camera mounts, race plates, race fenders and CO2 brackets.

The super-thin lightweight base and super lightweight padding helps to create a low profile unisex shape and, together with carbon rails, results in one of the lightest (172g) and shortest saddles for comfort-orientated performance in the PRO line up.



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NOTES FOR EDITOR

PRODUCT IMAGES: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/3eojokqfg6ecdyw/AAD9vmTRuyay-ugGUZ72FHvWa?dl=0>

SPECIFICATIONS: Four versions available: two width options (152mm and 142mm) and two rail options (Carbon, 7x9mm, or Stainless Steel, 9x9mm). Weight: Carbon rails: 175g, Stainless steel rails: 210g (142mm version).

PRODUCT AVAILABILITY: All products will be available from global distributors during the Autumn. Products will be on display at Eurobike: stand B5/300.

PRODUCT LINE UP: PRO creates bike components for road bikers, mountain bikers and triathletes. See <http://www.pro-bikegear.com/> for more details.

ABOUT PRO: PRO is the master of co-creation. At PRO we have a simple mission: To work together with the best people in the world to make the best products in the world. That's why we work with the best riders, designers and The Shimano Dynamics Lab to co-create the products you use. The pro's who put their name to our products are not just figureheads – they actually help design, prototype, test, modify, improve and fine-tune the most important bits on your bike. They push our products to and often beyond their limits – on some of the world's toughest road, trails, mountains and tracks.

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