

MOTO SKIVEEZ Review

Is this the answer to one of motorcycling's oldest problems?





My Delicates.

So, I'm sitting here and wracking my brains (what few I have left after rattling around the world on a motorcycle for 11-years) as to how

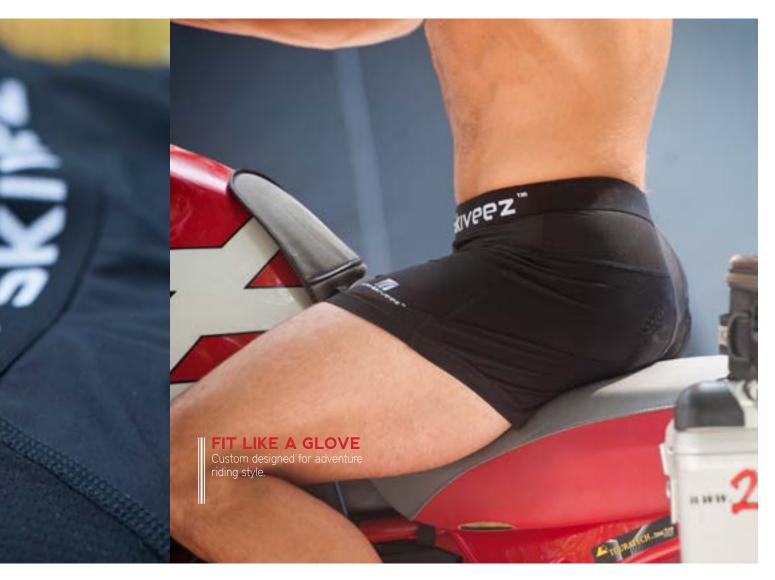
I start a review of an item that looks after my 'delicates' and that I sit my ass on and in, all day.

Getting Comfy

There are a few key accessories we all consider when it comes time to personalise our ride or when we simply want to make our bikes fit us a little better. Hey, the more comfortable you are on your bike the happier you feel and the farther you ride, right?

Outback

Long, long hot sandy sweaty days in Australia's Outback will test anyone's comfirt levels.



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The Usual Suspects.

Whether your pride n' joy is a plastic fantastic Japanese crotch rocket, a Harleyesque cruiser or a dual sport beast, when you're sitting around with your mates, it's always the usual suspects that come to mind; suspension options, wheel rim choice, lowering kits, different foot pegs and

even custom made seat options. But how about custom designed motorcycle-specific undergarments?

Scepticism and Respect.

I'll confess that when Moto-Skiveez approached Lisa and I with the idea of real world testing motorcycle-specific underwear, well, we both raised an evebrow. I had flashes of bad Calvin.

Klein underwear commercials with riders striking awkward poses next to their bikes. As we sat and listened to Shawn (inventor and driving force behind Moto-Skiveez), our understanding of this new concept and approach to one of motorcycling's longest standing problems quickly changed. Within 5 minutes Shawn had not only peaked our curiosity, he had our full attention and was guickly gaining our respect.

The Long Suffering Problem.

Whatever type of bike you ride, we've all suffered at one point or another from monkey butt or simple 'sore arse









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anticipated and the custom padding felt well placed and thought through. Trying them on for the first time they felt like old friends from the get-go. The elasticated waistband ensured a comfortable waist fit. I'm 6 4" and I usually have a few issues getting shorts or underwear to fit my thighs, which aren't small. The skiveez, just slipped on and asked, "OK, so where are we riding?"

8 months later and I'm impressed. Sure, I've tried lesser solutions in the past, but cycling shorts don't really work when the raised stitches used to join the panels of the shorts rub your skin raw and create a long seam and pressure point on the inside of your thigh where inner legs meets seat. The Moto-Skiveez use a flat pressed

seam across the product, so there are no raised profiles in the undergarment and therefor no potential pressure points. I've ridden for up to ten hours without the need for a single butt wiggle.

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As an adventure rider I'm appreciative of the research and now the final product. The adventure Skivvez are made up of 3 different foam types. Overall comfort is provided by 4mm perforated foam with 'rider style' specific protection being dealt with by 6mm memory foam. On the adventure model an additional 3mm comfort foam is sewn into the inner thigh area, to protect us whilst we repeatedly stand and sit in off-road riding scenarios. Even the horizontal and lateral placement of the foam has been considered to ensure maximum air flow along the ribbed foam lines to ensure air flow and correspondingly temperature management. Suddenly there's much more to underwear than I ever thought possible!



Moto-Skiveez claim: Simply the best, most comfortable riding undergarment on the market.



Comfort.

After 8 months of riding a mixed bag of terrain from US

highways, Mexican mountain twisty's and central American sandy tracks, the Moto-Skiveez have out performed my already high expectations. They fit easily under both my rally suit riding trousers and my jeans alike. The firm but well constructed waist band has

meant that after a tough off-road 4-hour ride, they've not left their position and disappeared somewhere south of my man-hood, requiring me to stop and adjust! I figure that any piece of great riding gear should do its job and not be a distraction. Anything that detracts my attention from my ride is unwelcome. The Skiveez, fit well and have simply preformed.

Silver Ion Infused Material.... What?

An unpleasant aspect of long-term extreme adventure riding is skin rash and hygiene. Your underwear, more than any piece of clothing, fits tighter and in a more personal way than anything we put on each day. Regular boxer shorts and even the tighty-whities you love so much are not designed to repel dirt, bacteria

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Adventure, Cruiser or Sport Rider Moto-Skiveez

After 2 years of reseasrch in Italy and the USA Moto-Skiveez have produced a specialist product aimed at the differeing needs of specific motorcyle riding styles. The adventure rider, Cruiser and sport bike rider.

The adventure style tested here have done an admirable job of keeping me comfortable,. Highly recommeded.



and more especially sweat. The Moto-Skiveez are! I'm not going to pretend I know a thing about Silver Ion infused material, but Skiveez incorporate this technology into every undergarment. What I can tell you since using them, is that in the last 8 months I have not had any skin irritation issues in the waist, butt or upper thigh area and there have been some very long, tough and dirty rides. It's like asking for the time, I don't have to know how the clock works, it just has to work and give me what I need. The Skiveez have done just that.

Quick Draw Dry.

Hygiene is of course an issue we deal with on the road and being able to dry our gear quickly and effectively is much more of a consideration than washing. The Skiveez dry in super quick time and the few times I've

HIGH TECH

The Moto-Skiveez infused with Silver Ion. to combat on the road hygiene issues

had to wear them wet they've dried quickly as I've ridden and even when damp have never caused me any irritation or discomfort.



Overview:

A great idea is just that...an idea. A great product is a combination of a great idea, great design, attention to detail, research and finally quality production. The Moto-Skiveez are a great product. My initial scepticism has been replaced with a confidence in the product based on experience. Shawn's technical undergarment now a much a piece of my essential riding gear as my Adventure riding suit and Enduro helmet and MX boots.

Shawn thanks for seeing the solution and for having the perseverance to see it through. See you somewhere down the road, track or jungle path.

PS. By the way, the fact that I kind'a feel like an X-man in my high tech Skiveez doesn't hurt either!

DESIGNED TO LAST

After 8-months of daily use, the Moto-Skiveez have proved to be a great addition to our riding gear.









TOP LEFT

Silver Ion infused Skiveez, protect against bacteria and reduce odour.

TOP CENTER

The Skiveez even double up as swimming shorts in a pinch.

TOP RIGHT

Comfy all day long iether under riding gear or even jeans.

LEFT

Flat pressed seams ensure no pressure points and enhanced rider

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