How to choose a bike

Light weight

A good children's bike has to be light – this is critical for the handling and means kids can lift their own bike, turn it, push it and set off with ease.

Consider this: A bike should not weigh more than 35–40% of your child’s body weight otherwise the fun factor may be compromised.

Right size

Your child should be able to comfortably reach the ground with both feet when the saddle is at its lowest without having to make any major adjustments to their posture.

Here’s how to tell if your child’s bike is the correct size:

• If it’s a challenge for your child to touch the tips of their toes on the ground even with the saddle at its lowest position, their bike is definitely too big.
• If your child’s legs are constantly very bent and their knees are virtually scraping the bars with the saddle at its highest position, their bike is definitely too small.

Ergonomic design

Child-specific geometry delivers a secure and smooth ride.

• Low centre of gravity
• Slack steering angle
• Long wheelbase

Adjustable components allow for a customisable fit.

• Anatomically profiled saddle for posture
• Narrow grips suited to small hands
• Trigger shifters and brake levers that are both easy to reach and operate
• Grippy pedals with a wide platform for grip

Safety begins with your child’s bike

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Child-specific hand brakes

Braking is one of the most important skills when riding a bike. That’s why child-specific brake levers are a must so that braking is as safe and simple as possible.

- The brake levers need to be within easy reach for small hands and ideally adjustable.
- They should also be easy to operate, without requiring much force.

Premium quality

Bottom line: Having a high-quality bike means your child picks up cycling more quickly, stays safer and has more fun in the saddle.

Here are a few tell-tale signs of a low-grade model:

- The bike is heavy and clunky and looks like it’s been thrown together.
- It rattles and groans on the test ride.
- It has a lot of plastic parts.
- Certain components like the lights and rack look wobbly.
- The grips twist on the handlebars and can be easily pulled off.

Your child deserves a better bike than that!

Oh-so many safety features

Good children’s bikes should come with as many safety features as possible to counteract the challenges associated with developing new motor skills and to make cycling (and learning how to cycle) as safe as possible.

- No protruding bolts, e.g. on the stem or cranks
- Grippy tyres for maximum safety
- Reflective details for added visibility
- Wide platform pedals for a secure footing
- Securely fixed, anti-slip grips with impact protection
- Steering limiter to minimise the risk of oversteering

A child-specific bike means more fun and safer adventures on two wheels.