

Gaerne G.Stilo+ cycling shoes

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We test the Gaerne G.Stilo+, the Italian brand's premium road cycling shoe, used by many pros



Pros:

SCORE

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Well made Light Stiff sole Comfortable upper Well vented

Speedplay option

Overall rating:

Expensive

Cons:

pro team of André Greipel as well as many riders in other World Tour teams. Founded in 1962, Gaerne is still a family owned and run business, making almost

Gaerne's new top of the range G.Stilo+ cycling shoes are used by the Lotto-Soudal

80,000 pairs of cycling shoes each year. It says that there are 109 components which have to be assembled to make a G.Stilo+ shoe.

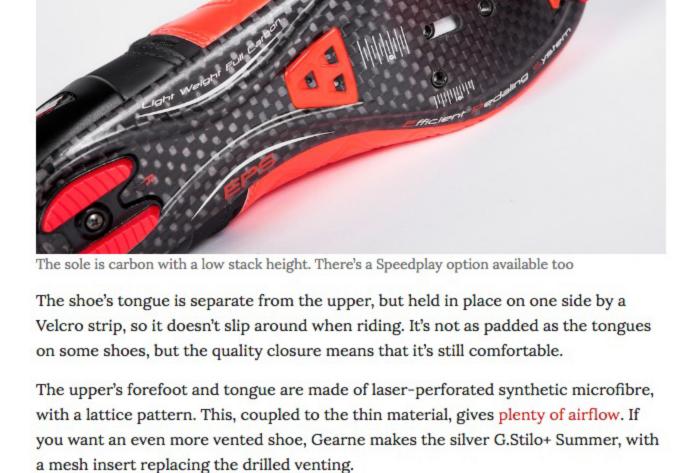


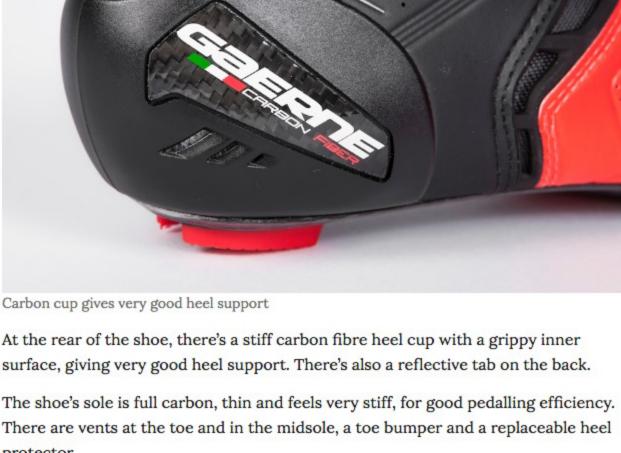
also uses two of Boa's top IP1 dial closures, each of which tightens a double-crossed

steel-kevlar wire. Gaerne and Boa provide a lifetime guarantee on the closure. The shoe's upper is designed to close equally from both sides. This means that there's a really good, close fit and I found the shoes' uppers comfortable on long rides, with no pinch points, even when dialled in quite tightly.

At the shoe's core is Gaerne's TSS tarsal support system, which Gaerne says helps

ensure the foot is well positioned inside the shoe for efficient pedalling. The G.Stilo+





There are vents at the toe and in the midsole, a toe bumper and a replaceable heel protector. Gaerne's two piece insole is thick and padded enough to provide some cushioning

and its back cups around your heel well for additional support. The forefoot is perforated for extra under-foot airflow. Width is good for UK feet and I never felt scrunched up, although I did go up half a

size to ensure that I had enough length. Gaerne sells the G.Stilo+ in 13 sizes and half sizes between 39 and 46 and four colours: black, white, red and yellow. There's also a

Speedplay option.

Verdict The G-Stilo+ is a premium cycles shoe with quality construction and all the

features you'd expect from a model at this price point.