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HOW TO CHOOSE

THE PERFECT BIKE / FRAME SIZE



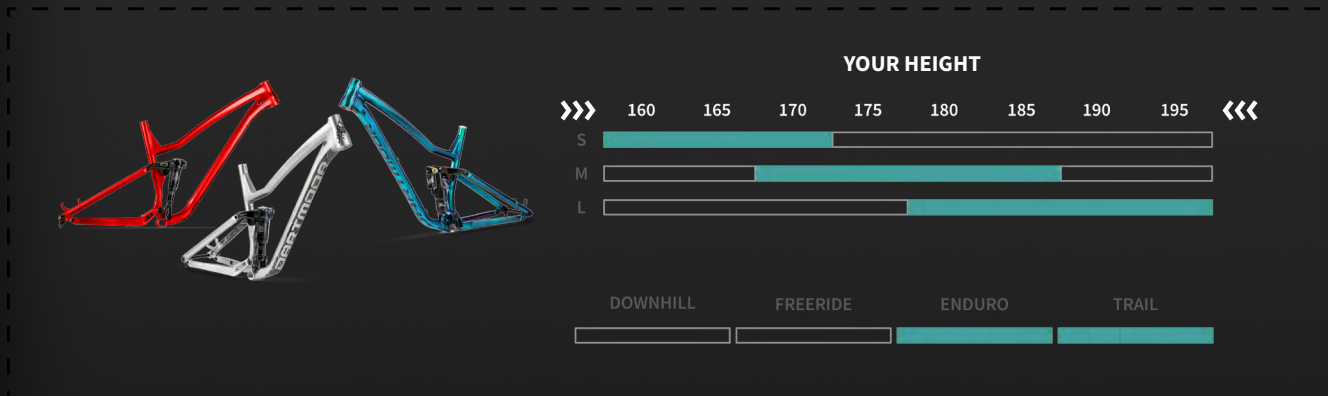
Choosing the ideal frame size is one of the most important choices when purchasing a new bike/frame

It significantly impacts comfort, maneuverability, stability, and overall bike handling. And if you do it right – we promise, you'll have a lot of fun when riding your ideal-sized bikes. If wrong – it can be a pain in the... neck.

Size first, then spec

Sooner or later we all face difficult life choices – and surely one of them is to choose between the best deal on top spec bike but not the correct size or the perfect match on size but lower spec. First of all, resist the temptation of a superb bargain on a bike that isn't tailored to your ideal size. Remember, it's easier to upgrade the fork, drivetrain, or brakes than change the frame size.

So, if you have already chosen a dream bike, and it's available in all sizes, now it's the tough point. Choose the correct size. For some riders, it's an easy one. **Just pick FITTING & RIDING STYLE** for one of our complete bikes/frame and check which size we recommend for your height.



Sizing up / down - 3 steps

If you hit just between two sizes, well you're in deep... trouble, but no worries – you are not the only one who is stuck in the middle and there is still some hope for you! First, decide what kind of riding style suits you the best – Freeride, Trail, or Enduro. Then think about the trails you are riding most – fast, technical, or A-lines.

Then click and read these 3 steps below...





Check the geometry of your current bike and compare it to the bike you are looking for

Some modern bikes have longer reach than bikes from 5 years ago. A good example is the Rocbird, the successor to the Blackbird and Bluebird frames. In Large size, the new Trail version of Rocbird has reach 504 mm while Bluebird is 27.5 is “only” 465 mm ...

If this still doesn't solve the mystery then...



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SIZE DOWN <<< AIR <<< FREERIDE <<< **Decide which rider you are!** >>> ENDURO >>> FAST >>> SIZE UP

For **freeriders sizing down** will give a more lively ride that fits perfectly on tighter terrain, lower speeds, and a more playful riding style.

So to those who enjoy airtime, whipping, backflipping and popping manuals – take a smaller one!



If racing is your second name and you live **for high speeds**, think of a larger frame that provides enhanced stability. Want to beat all KOMs from your mates, and always be ahead? – bigger will be better here. If you are starting your adventure with mountain biking think of a bigger size as you might benefit more from increased stability.



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Think about the trails you ride the most

If they are **narrow and technical with lots of turns**, it's good to have the bike shorter to be able to get through those tight enduro corners. Here the Mullet setup, like Rocbirds, will also show its advantages. If you spend most of your time shredding on enduro trails, picking a longer one can be good a choice.



DIRT BIKES

Here it's a different story – the sizing of dirt bikes doesn't depend so much on height as with regular MTB bikes. Here are some tips for you

»» Depending on your skills a shorter frame will be easier to whip, flip, 360, and do all the other DJ stuff, but also on the skatepark. So for those who are on the advanced level, we recommend choosing a shorter one.

»» If you are a beginner, and starting from pumptrack or an advanced one but focused on sending some huge jumps, a bigger frame will give you more stability, confidence, and speed on big jumps.

»» If the DJ bike will be your second bike, and now you mostly ride Enduro/Trail one? Take the bigger size! The difference you will feel in the bike size between DJ and MTB bikes won't be so significant.

»» Up to 170 cm height – the shorter size will be enough for all types of riding, if you have more than 190 cm – take the X-Large.

*But after all it's your choice, we gave you only some tips.
Remember that you will be riding your bike so you need to feel confident,
comfortable and happy all the time.*

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