

First Look

Sneak a peek at the latest tri gear to hit the UK market



Victory can be yours

Vo2 Cycling is a new British cycling brand brought to you by the team behind Vo2 Maximum, the coaching outfit whose tri-team won Triathlon Club of the Year at the 220 Triathlon 2009 Awards. There are currently two Vo2 bikes to choose from: the Victory TT for time trial and triathlon [pictured], and the Revolution frame/fork set for road bikes.

The Victory TT is a full carbon fibre offering, and Vo2 is making much of its "smooth wall technology" whereby the inside of the carbon tubing is as smooth as the outside. This means you can be assured, say Vo2, that every single nanogramme of carbon is contributing directly to frame strength, and that you aren't carrying any unnecessary weight. The features include horizontal adjustable dropouts, fully internal cable routing and an aerodynamic profile. It's available in 49, 52 and 55cm frame sizes, weighs 1.2kg and retails for just £999 (frame/forks/seatpost only).

A road-bike sister model, the Victory Road, is currently in development. In the meantime, Vo2 Cycling are selling the Revolution, a £599 frame-and-fork offering that comes in five sizes, with weights starting from just 870g.

Vo2 Cycling are currently only available online at www.vo2cycling.co.uk, but there's an option to book a fitting session (Vo2 is based in southeast England) to make sure you get a good fit. The website also features a 'bike builder' where you can spec out your bike as you see fit, or you can choose from a number of pre-built packages.

"We sell direct to customers to keep the price as low as we can," says Vo2 boss Jimmy George. We'll be testing the Victory TT this summer.



The 'bike builder' on Vo2's website lets you kit out your bike as you see fit – or you can just choose from a list of readymades