

SOUTHWEST COLUMBUS RECREATIONAL RIDERS CLUB

HYBRIDS, MOUNTAIN BIKES, ROAD BIKES



Cycling has always been one of my greatest passions. There is something exhilarating about riding for the first time each spring. It's not cabin fever, it's the crank of the pedals, the sound of the road, the burning of muscles as I work myself into good riding form.

I have owned many bicycles in my life-time. I sold my last good road-bike in early 2011 after being diagnosed with colon cancer in December 2010 and going through surgery to remove the single tumor that was found in my descending colon.

Not knowing if I would be able to ride again, I reluctantly let my

Fuji road-bike go.

In late summer of 2012, I bought a new bicycle. It was a "comfort bike" from Dick's Sporting Goods. It was cheap (Nishiki), and it had cheap components, but I was pedaling again. I rode every day until it was just too cold.

Looking forward to the 2013 riding season, I just bought a new Fuji Absolute-2 from Performance Bike in Columbus, Ohio.

I have already taken it on its Maiden voyage.

Yesterday was cold, damp, and windy; but, I rode. I rode hard

and fast. It wasn't a long ride, but, it was enough to satisfy me for the time being.

The Fuji Absolute-2 performed flawlessly. Shifting through the gears was quick and effortless. There was no clatter. There were no hiccups. The Shimano Tiagra rear derailleur needed no adjustment and worked flawlessly. With the front derailleur I received more of the same-- flawless performance.

The Absolute-2's Tektro brakes gave me plenty of stopping power when I needed it. I found them to be lightweight, but strong. I only had to tweak them a tiny bit to get them working exactly as they should-- a flaw in the setup and adjustment from the shop, not the manufacturer (the front was rubbing ever so slightly).

I replaced the factory-issue seat with an ARS gel-filled, ergo saddle to enhance rider comfort. The frame's rear triangle was stiff and the carbon fork made handling stable and predictable. The result was a comfortable ride with just enough road feel to give the impression of sure-footedness.



When it comes to bicycles, I have always been under the assumption that lighter is better. That's why I carefully consider any bike I buy-- within my budget-- before I take one home. I want good quality

components. I rode a custom-made road bike years ago that had a full Campy component set. It was worth a lot of money and at the time, I bartered for it. If I had to buy it, I would have picked more economical

components.

The Fuji Absolute-2 is built with reliability in mind. It has better components than several of their road bikes. That is why this model is a great value.

SPECIFICATION

SIZES:
 COLOR(S):
 MAIN FRAME:
 REAR TRIANGLE:
 FORK:
 CRANKSET:
 BOTTOM BRACKET:
 PEDALS:
 FRONT DERAILLEUR:
 REAR DERAILLEUR:
 SHIFTERS:
 CASSETTE:
 CHAIN:
 WHEELSET:
 TIRES:
 BRAKE SET:
 BRAKE LEVERS:
 HEADSET:
 HANDLEBAR:
 STEM:
 TAPE/GRIP:
 SADDLE:
 SEAT POST:
 MISC:
 WEIGHT:

DESCRIPTION

S (15"), S/M (17"), M (19"), M/L (21"), L (23")
 Semi Gloss Gray/Blue
 A2-SL alloy w/ tear drop down tube, double water bottle mounts
 A2-SL alloy, forged road dropout w/ replaceable derailleur hanger
 FC-770 carbon w/ 1 1/8" alloy steerer
 FSA Vero, 30/39/50T
 VP cartridge sealed bearing
 Alloy cage w/ Boron axle
 Shimano FD-R453, 31.8mm
 Shimano Tiagra
 Shimano, 9-speed flat bar road
 Shimano, 11-28T, 9-speed
 KMC HG53, 9-speed
 Fuji sealed bearing 32H QR hubs w/ Fuji double wall alloy 32H rims
 Hutchinson Flash, 700x28c
 Tektro Mini-V, forged alloy
 Tektro Tenera Cast alloy
 Fuji 1 1/8" integrated road, Campagnolo compatible
 Fuji double-buttressed alloy
 Fuji adjustable alloy, removable clamp
 Fuji double density kraton
 Fuji sport comfort w/ CrMo rails
 Fuji micro-adjust alloy, 300x27.2mm
 7075 alloy water bottle bolts
 23.3 lbs.

GEOMETRY

SIZE:	S(15")	S/M(17")	M(19")	M/L(21")	L(23")
SEAT TUBE, CENTER TO TOP TUBE:	381	432	483	533	584
EFFECTIVE TOP TUBE LENGTH:	535	550	575	600	625
HEAD TUBE ANGLE:	69	70	71	71	71
SEAT TUBE ANGLE:	75	74	73	73	73
CHAINSTAY:	440	440	440	440	440
WHEELBASE:	1050.3	1048.4	1054.8	1080.4	1106.5
HEAD TUBE LENGTH:	120	145	170	190	220
BOTTOM BRACKET HEIGHT:	269	269	269	269	269
STAND OVER HEIGHT:	730.3	767.3	805.4	839.7	880.3
CRANK LENGTH:	170	170	175	175	175
STEM LENGTH :	100	110	120	120	120
HANDLEBAR WIDTH:	580	580	600	600	600