

USED AND ABUSED



ALPKIT HUNKA XL BIVVY BAG £45

Used by Oli Reed, associate editor

Used for one trip

I'm new to bivvying (spending the night in what's effectively a body bag has always seemed odd to me), so I didn't want to spend big on my first bag in case I hated it. With the promise of great weather ahead of a recent Lakes trip I treated myself to the Hunka XL after reading positive reviews, and I'm pleased to report it's up to Alpkit's usual high standards. The rain stayed away as I kipped on top of Cat Bells, but I still needed a bag large enough to incorporate my lanky 6ft 1in frame along with a sleeping bag (Alpkit Skyehigh 1000, in case you were wondering) and roll

mat. The temperature dropped significantly during the night and the mountaintop was coated in condensation when I woke up, but the Hunka kept me warm and dry, allowing me to enjoy a spectacular sunrise. It packs down little bigger than a waterproof jacket, weighs a fraction over 500g and although I still need to test it in 'real' weather, I honestly can't fault it so far.

Verdict Bargain bag with top-end performance.

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