

Italian emperor

Ducati have taken the crown of best adventure all-rounder with their sublime Multistrada V4 Rally

Since its release in 2021, the Multistrada V4 has been a seriously impressive machine, albeit one that did come with a few criticisms. Although it's an adventure bike it lacked in true offroading ability, while its thirsty engine and small tank made fuel stops a regular occurrence. But for 2023, Ducati have fixed it all with their new, all-conquering Multistrada V4 Rally.

Building on the already impressive Multistrada V4 platform, the Rally takes everything up a notch, with a 30-litre tank, better fuel economy, longer-travel suspension (with more ground clearance) and more of a dedication to getting dirty.

But most impressively, Ducati have done all of this without losing any of the Multistrada's civilised road-going abilities. Naturally, it comes with fully loaded with cutting-edge technology, from the usual rider aids and riding modes to impressive, innovative goodies such as the rear bank deactivation to cut one set of cylinders and Minimum Preload functions. And let's not forget the four-year warranty and 9000 mile service intervals that take away anxiety

over running costs which used to be associated with the brand.

Ducati have not only moved the goalposts in terms of technology, but they've paired it with some of the best componentry in the business. By combining the Multistrada chassis and addictive V4 Granturismo engine with some longer Skyhook suspension engine, a dash of off-road ability and the fuel range to go anywhere, the Multistrada V4 Rally has proven itself to be one of the most capable machines in just about any scenario. No wonder it's our Best Adventure Bike over 1000cc.

THE FACTS



Price	£23,590
Engine	1158c liquid cooled V4 Granturismo
Power/torque 170bhp/89.2lb.ft	
Weight	240kg
Seat height	870mm