



Virve Goggles

Great for changing mountain conditions, Gordini has developed what they believe is the fastest and easiest lens changing system on the market. The Virve features a convex (Toric) shaped lens with vented rims that easily snap in and out of the frame. The rims are vented to direct airflow away from the eyes and across the lens, resulting in a fog-free lens. Helmet compatible. \$100. www.gordini.com



Skins

New on the market, Skins offers endurance and competitive athletes a compression-based fabric made of lycra and Meryl microfiber. Skins are designed to fit tight which increases blood flow, while reducing lactic acid build-up immediately after sustained periods of exercise. The result: less fatigue and muscle soreness and faster recovery. Skins gear wicks away moisture and offers SPF 50+ sun protection. Available in a variety of colors and sizes for men, women and youth in bottoms and tops. \$49-\$99. www.skins.net

Alti-Ski Watch

Ever wondered how many runs you made in a day? Or how much vertical a particular slope has? For less than the cost of two lift tickets, you can get this all-in-one watch, the latest from Johnson Outdoors. Featuring an altimeter, barometer, thermometer, automatic run counter and cumulative ascent and descent information, the watch also includes the date, alarm, timer and stopwatch. \$99.99. www.tech4o.com



ColdAvenger — Cold Weather Mask

Talus Outdoor Technology could not keep these popular cold weather masks in stock at last fall's Seattle and Portland ski shows. Designed by outdoor enthusiasts in Missoula, Mont., the mask keeps moisture away from your face, allowing you to breathe freely while in use. It maintains a temperature gradient of 40 to 60 degrees higher than outside temperatures between 30 and minus-30 degrees. Windproof, water-repellant, breathable soft shell fabric and lined with fleece. \$49.95. www.talusoutdoortech.com



Pak-Lite

This LED flashlight that snaps to a 9-volt battery is a lightweight answer for backpackers, hikers, bikers, campers or anyone who needs a flashlight and doesn't want to carry extra batteries. Comes with high and low beam, and lasts up to 1,200 hours on a single battery. Weighing just 1.5 ounces—including the battery—Pak-Lite was invented by 15-year-old Ben Henry of Grants Pass, Ore. who designed the light for his brother who was hiking the Pacific Crest Trail. \$12.99 for basic unit. www.9voltlight.com



Deuter Freerider 22sl pack

The Deuter Freerider 22sl women's alpine backpack has everything the backcountry skier/snowboarder is looking for. Built for a women's frame, the 22 SL features a padded suspension system and fits torso length from 14-19 inches with a maximum load to 20 pounds. The pack is outfitted to carry skis or a snowboard, ice axe, shovel and probe pocket. It's also hydration compatible. Our tester says, "A great fit, easy to use and very comfortable." \$95. www.deuterusa.com



Icebreaker

Made of 100 percent Merino wool shorn from the free-range Merino sheep in New Zealand's Southern Alps, Icebreaker offers a sustainable line of men's and women's apparel and accessories including top and bottom base layers, hats, socks, gloves and scarves. Merino is known for being a light fabric that provides enhanced breathability and repels odor-carrying bacteria. For Northwest shoppers, good news — an Icebreaker retail store opened in Portland's Pearl District last December. www.icebreaker.com



Vista Swim Goggle

Aqua Sphere's Quick-Fit Buckle allows the wearer to adjust the headband with the touch of a button, without having to take them off. The goggles are comfortable and leak-resistant and its contoured, stylized frame has an extremely low profile that virtually eliminates the drag experienced with other swimming masks. The crystal clear wrap-around lens of the Vista also provides 180-degree visibility — offering incredible depth perception in the pool. \$34.99. www.aquasphereswim.com



Moon Saddle

It's about time someone came up with a new design of the traditional bike saddle. We took the saddle out for a two-hour road ride. Although it took a few minutes to get used to the fact that you are only sitting on your "sit bones," we really noticed the difference. We're now firm "Moonie" believers. If you are one of a number of riders who experience pain of the perineum, try this as an alternative. Moon Saddle will be exhibiting at this year's Seattle International Bicycle Expo. \$79.50. www.moonsaddle.com