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Lezyne Alloy Drive £24

Gauge: No **Length:** 230mm **Weight:** 129g **Strokes to 35 psi:** 40 **Efficiency rating:** 4
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➤ Everyone needs to take a pump with them on rides – so why not make it a thing of great beauty rather than just another bike tool?

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The folks at Lezyne seem to have created something that you'll love as much as your bike itself, and as this pump comes in four colours there's the opportunity to go the whole hog and coordinate it with your ride too.

The pump's beauty goes way beyond the lightweight alloy skin however, and it was a joy to use. The 'old-fashioned' double-ended valve attachment screws into place for use and then stores away neatly into the handle.

One of the smallest pumps on test, it nevertheless pumped a large volume of air quickly

and more efficiently than all the others. It's beautifully made too, with precision-machined threads and reassuringly solid rubber seals so that everything fits together perfectly – and not a rattle to be heard.

Its compact size means that on the days where you favour the minimal approach, it'll tuck into a back pocket and you won't need a pack to tote it along. The Alloy Drive is available with a bike mount and comes in a choice of black, red, blue and extra bling gold body colours.

ALSO CONSIDER

Lezyne Carbon Drive £55

Twice the price, but if weight matters this gives the same efficiency in sub-110g carbon.

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“An extremely well made, compact yet highly efficient pump – it's the complete package.”