Quella Cambridge



Pros

- ➤ Free insurance for a year ➤ That Zehus hub is excellent for city use
- Cons

► The aggressive riding position probably won't suit people riding at a leisurely pace

Specs

Weight 14kg to 14.8 kg Frame material Cro-Mo 4130 steet Fork Cro-Mo 4130 steet Motor Zehus 250W Battery 29.2 volt, 5,300mAH Groupset Single-speed Saddle Quella Geo Comfort Bars Quella bullhom styte Wheels Quella 40mm double wall Tyres Kenda West 25c

Cutting in a fraction under £2,000, this Zehus-powered single-speed may be all you need for urban A to B trips

What started out in a remote shed in Cambridgeshire has now flourished into a widely recognised single-speed label, Quella Bikes. Always one for getting the most from the purest form of bicycle design, Quella's electric bike is only differentiated from the value packed pedalpowered catalogue by the Zehus hub that drives this bike from the rear wheel.

Pushing out a 250-watt complementary assistance, this cordless battery and motor system is an all-in-one powerhouse that can deliver help to the tune of 25km/h once you've given a light push on the pedals. With everything housed in that chrome hub, the battery is not enormous, but neither is the price, plus it will comfortably shoot for 60km of assisted range on a three-hour charge. For most people in flatter cities like London

you could expect to do a week's commute on a single charge, and thanks to a mobile app you can fine tune the output to better achieve that goal, or to set other preferences.

Another tidy feature for the city, the hub also builds in a GPS system, so you'll know if your bike's on the move. It shouldn't come to that, however, as also contained is a wheel-lock function and tampering alert that sets of an audible alarm.

A final note before we get to the bike itself: the Zehus hub has a handy pedalback system that activates a regenerative braking system, which is a technology more synonymous with Formula One engines.

What is there to say about a bike that keeps things simple? Well, it's worth looking to the riding position to begin with. The bullhorn bars offer the options to ride in a relaxed upright position or a more forward aggressive stance for cheating the wind and saving a few extras watts.

Best of all with Quella, the bikes are all lookers and available in a few colour options. Head to the website and you'll also spot that one year of free insurance with Laka is offered as a perk for buyers.

►£1,995 www.quellabicycle.com