

The Yamaha TTR125L

If you are new to riding and are looking for one of the best bikes to start out on then you have to throw a leg over a Yamaha TTR125L. The L stands for bigger wheels and front disc brake and if you buy a newer model then you will even have an electric start.

If you have been looking for used bikes then you probably have seen a few of these in the paper. This is a good thing as I think this is one of the most popular bikes out there. I have personally ridden this bike and it is absolutely so much fun.



The TTR125L is all around a little smaller than the CRF150. Both bikes perform similar so the only thing that will put riders on a TTR125L over the CRF is if they are 5 to 5'5 feet tall. If you stand at this height the CRF will feel very big compared to the TTR and frankly I think you will have a much better time on the TTR if you are a little shorter.

Like all small 4-strokes you can do a lot to this bike to mod it out and get a bit more power and have more fun however this bike is fun, easy to ride and very durable.

Again putting on a high-rise bar or mini bar will help make it easier for adult riders to stand. The main problem with stock bars is that when the person stands then they are bending down which makes descending very scary which will lead to the rider sitting down all the time which is actually a more dangerous riding position. If you are standing then you can react to things better and sooner and you can move the bike underneath you. If you are always sitting you are being taken for a ride by the bike and every bump, root and spin out will make you nervous and over grip the bars. Putting on a high bar makes all this go away and you will ride much better.



Parts and tires for these bikes are also very inexpensive and they last forever. Again these bikes are incredibly durable which is really important when you are learning. Dropping your bike is all part of the learning curve. I cannot say enough good things about this bike. If you are in the market then check them out. There is very little you can do to these bikes to damage them so picking up a used one is probably your best bet and you can save the money you saved over new and on the tax for some wicked riding gear or for your next bike!