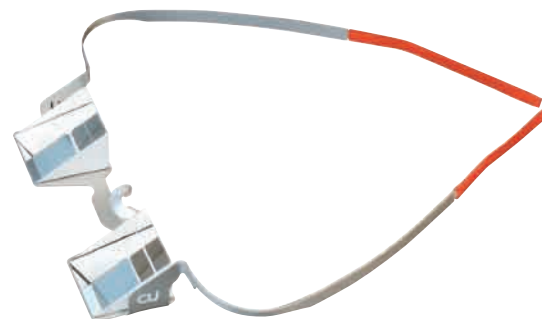


Primero 70
The North Face \$330
Climbers preferring backcountry climbing adventures find most cragging packs under-gunned for the heavy loads needed to reach isolated routes. For these situations, the Primero 70 is the right tool for the job. Unlike smaller day-oriented climbing packs, the Primero 70 is big enough for multi-day outings and comes with a supportive X Radial frame and Dual Pivot hipbelt for carrying comfort. The cut-out moulded back panel and shoulder straps provide comfort and excellent breathability.



CU Belay Glasses
Power'n Play \$150

Looking like a pair of turn-of-the-century reading glasses, the CU Belay Glasses are mandatory for anyone suffering neck strain from extended belay sessions. Using prisms rather than conventional lenses, the glasses let belayers watch their partners without looking up. The design takes a few minutes to get used to, but quickly proves its value during extended onsight, redpoint and working sessions. Used by famous climbers like John Bachar and Arnaud Petit, CU Belay Glasses are ideal for trad, sport and bigwall climbing. Despite their unusual appearance, we were impressed with how well they work – these rigs are the bomb!



Reverso 3
Petzl \$27

As the newest belay device in Petzl's lineup, the Reverso 3 combines the versatility of the original Reverso and Reverso into one convenient piece of gear. The new Reverso 3 is compatible with half and twin ropes down to 7.5 mm in diameter, single ropes down to 8.9 mm in diameter and works as a plaquette on multi-pitch routes.



Zap-O-Mat
Edelrid \$61

Compared to traditional single rope belay devices, the innovative Zap-O-Mat delivers increased safety and control. A spring-loaded friction bar minimizes rope shorting but locks securely during unexpected falls.



Hooker EZ 2008
MadRock \$100

How do you make a good shoe better? MadRock asked the same question when redesigning the new Hooker EZ and came up with some interesting solutions. Starting with the upper, the Hooker EZ 2008 now uses a synthetic upper for less stretch and a more consistent fit. Madrock also adds an aggressively sculpted lower volume heel and a deeply ribbed toe cap for exceptional hooking on steep terrain.

VaporLock

Black Diamond \$14
Leading the charge in the lightweight belay biner category is Black Diamond's new VaporLock. At 51 g, the VaporLock weighs less than many conventional D shaped non-locking biners; an amazing feat considering its versatile full-size pear shape. Like most premium locking biners, the VaporLock comes with a snag reducing keylock nose and a smooth screwlock sleeve for security.



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