

Press release

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Koga takes over manufacture and distribution of Bergmönch

Cycle manufacturer Koga-Miyata will now exclusively manufacture and distribute the innovative 'Bergmönch' mountain sports device. Production models will be launched at the Outdoor Show in Friedrichshafen, Germany (16th-19th July 2009). The product's developers, Thomas Kaiser and Christian Wassermann, will remain closely involved in the project. Another key partner is outdoor equipment specialist Vaude, who supply the carrier rucksack. The Bergmönch has already sparked a furore at the IPSO trade fair, winning an ISPO BrandNew Award in the 'Summer Hardware' category.



The Bergmönch – a scooter which you can carry uphill in a rucksack – was the brainchild of Thomas Kaiser, a mechanical engineering student at the Technical University of Kempten, Germany. He and his colleague Christian Wassermann are currently working together with the Koga design and development department to put the final finishing touches on the 'Bergmönch' for production. The Outdoor Show in Friedrichshafen on the 16th July 2009 will be the launch venue for the production model, so that deliveries to the trade can commence from February 2010. The target price is € 1499.

The Bergmönch is an integrated combination of rucksack and downhill vehicle. Climbing uphill, it can be carried on your back. Then within just two minutes it can be unfolded and ready to ride, mutated into an all-terrain scooter which can be ridden either standing or kneeling on the rucksack. Descending is easy on the joints, fast, and with a sky-high fun factor!

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