

# CRAZYFLY HYPER

€1,399

The new CrazyFly kite range comes out of their Slovakian factory with the promise of a three-year warranty, even covering canopy repairs which is truly impressive. The Hyper is very specifically the high aspect five strut booster of the range. First of all let's get build quality out of the way; how does it measure up against twenty years of Asian kite manufacture? The answer is: extremely well. The LE seam is beautifully tailored so that it sits underneath the canopy to improve aerodynamics in the center of the kite and allow a little more room on the valves. A Dacron load frame is placed on the upper half of the canopy leaving the load bearing underside very clean aerodynamically. Overall it's a very impressive build, with plenty of reinforcement and unique green Kevlar-like patches. There's a new three core rip stop for the 2020 model and having the factory on their doorstep is clearly giving them a lot of control over quality control. With those five struts and stiff Dacron frame, the Hyper is extremely rigid for a kite with so much span, which translates into some excellent stability and a reassuring feel for such a high aspect beast. Five struts keep the canopy super tight with zero flapping going on at any angle of attack. You may need to make some adjustments to your flying technique if you come off a more mainstream all round model. The Hyper seems easier to generate your initial speed with than previously, and still absolutely trucks upwind. Turning speed remains moderate as you would expect for a kite with this much span. Once up to speed, sending the Hyper results in a high level of controllable lift and a gentle descent. This lift is extremely easy to access, even going into a jump without commitment it was surprising how much height it would achieve and 10m+ WOO scores were easily achieved without a huge amount of power in the kite. It's fantastic to see CrazyFly continue and improve on such an unashamedly extreme design in the market, with a lot of brands playing it relatively safe with their booster model. This skinny beast of a delta crossed with a bow kite has a serious amount of usability and has the potential to give anyone a knee trembling case of vertigo with a more refined feeling than the first incarnation.

## TECHNICAL DATA

Physical Attributes	
Size tested	9
Kite Weight (kg)	3,6
Weight per m <sup>2</sup>	0,40
Pulleys	None
Leading Edge Hang Points	10
Steering Hang Points	3
Struts	5
Flat Leading Edge Diameter at Widest Point	23,5
Diameter When Inflated	14,96
Recommended Pressure	7
Battens	None
Construction	
Canopy Material	R3 Triple Ripstop
Trailing Edge Material	Ripstop And Markcloth
Bridle Material	3mm Sheathed Dyneema
Canopy Sewing	3 Step
Leading Edge Closing Seam	Single With Double Over Joins
Strut / Leading Edge Material	Heavy Duty Dacron
Leading Edge Segment Bump Stops	All
Overall Buildscore	9
Line Deflectors	Yes
Self Rescue Handles	Yes
Line Attachment	Rear Knot And Front Loop
Maintenance	9
Valve Protection	Yes
Tuning Points	2
Valve Type	Screw
Nb	Really Good Build Although Some Bits Of Bridle Didn't Look Finished

## PERFORMANCE FREERIDE

### SPECIAL AWARDS

To keep things a little simpler we have reduced the size of this slightly this time round, as a result there are some obvious kite qualities that we haven't recognized. So here are some special awards.

### BOOSTING

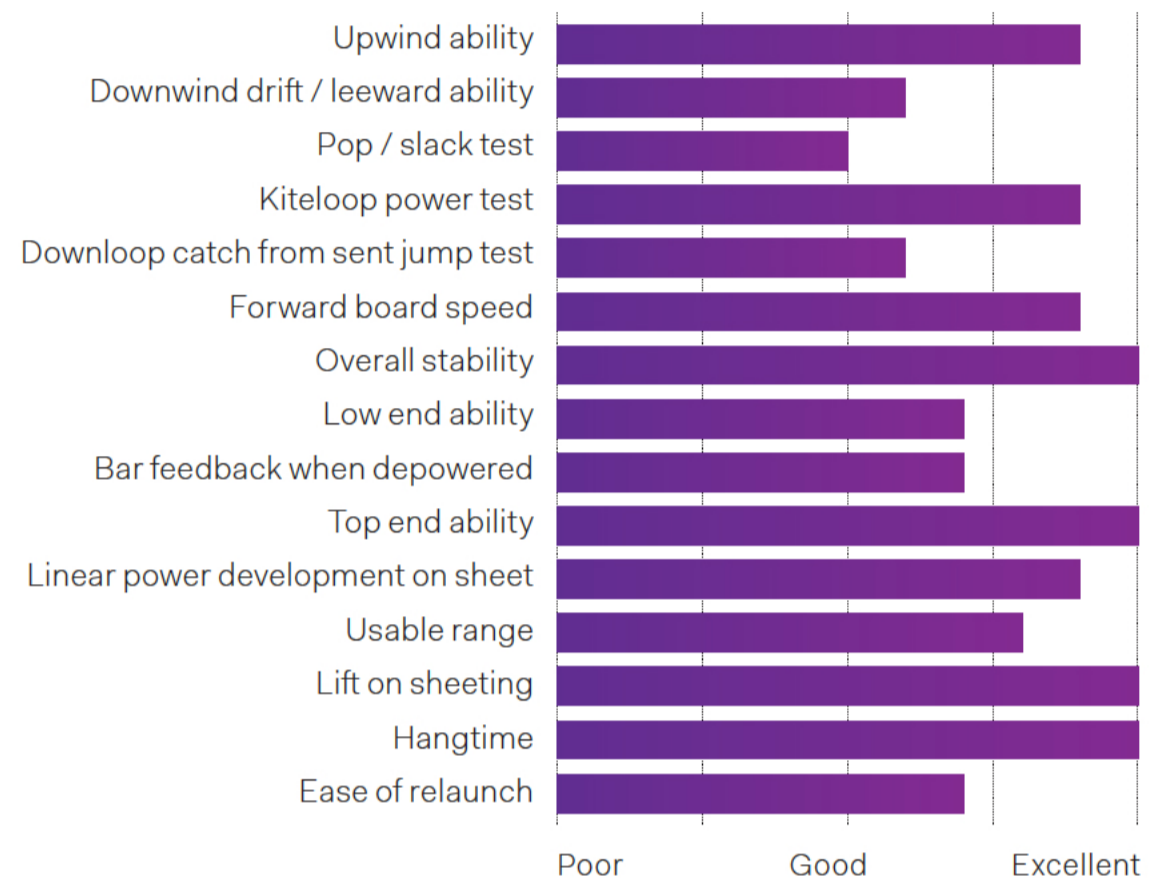
#### WINNER - CRAZYFLY HYPER

Once again the Hyper proved to be the kite of choice to send you to the moon. It is very well constructed and has an insanely stiff airframe which translates into pure vertical efficiency.

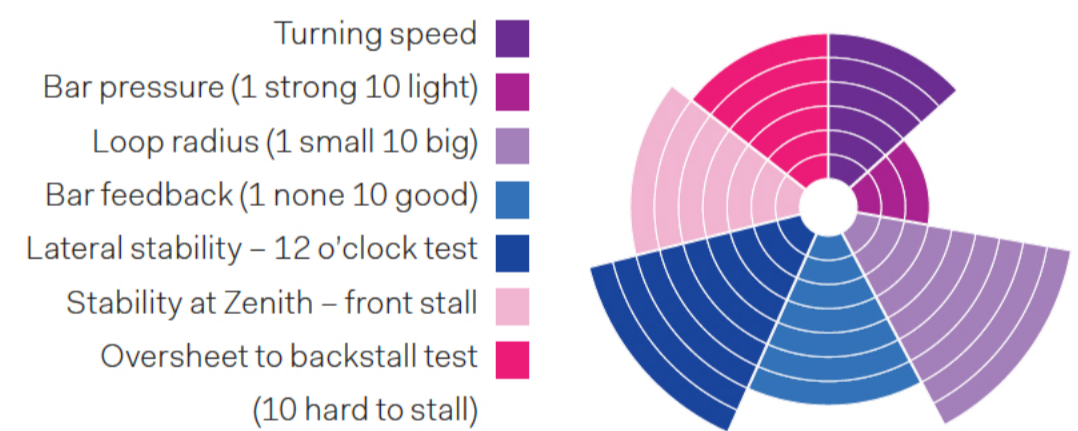


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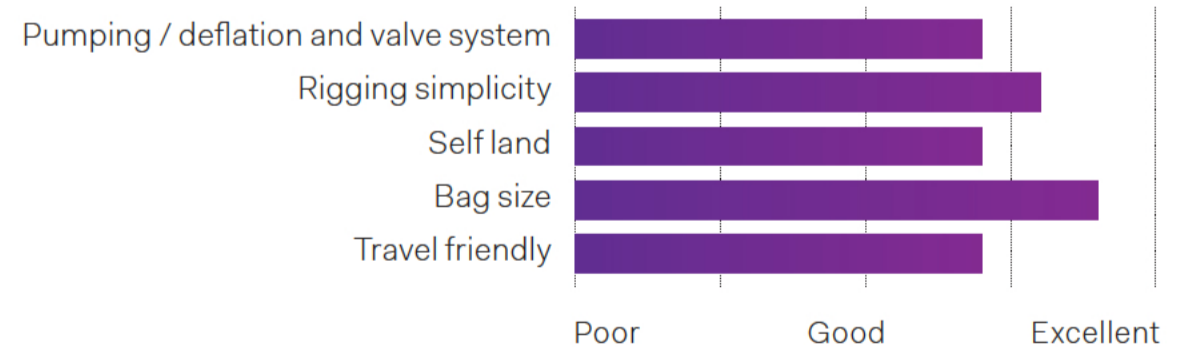
### Dynamic Handling Attributes



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### Practicality



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