

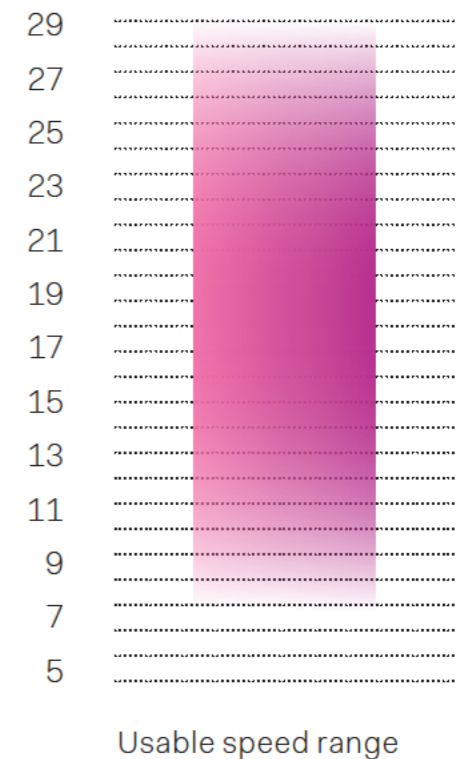
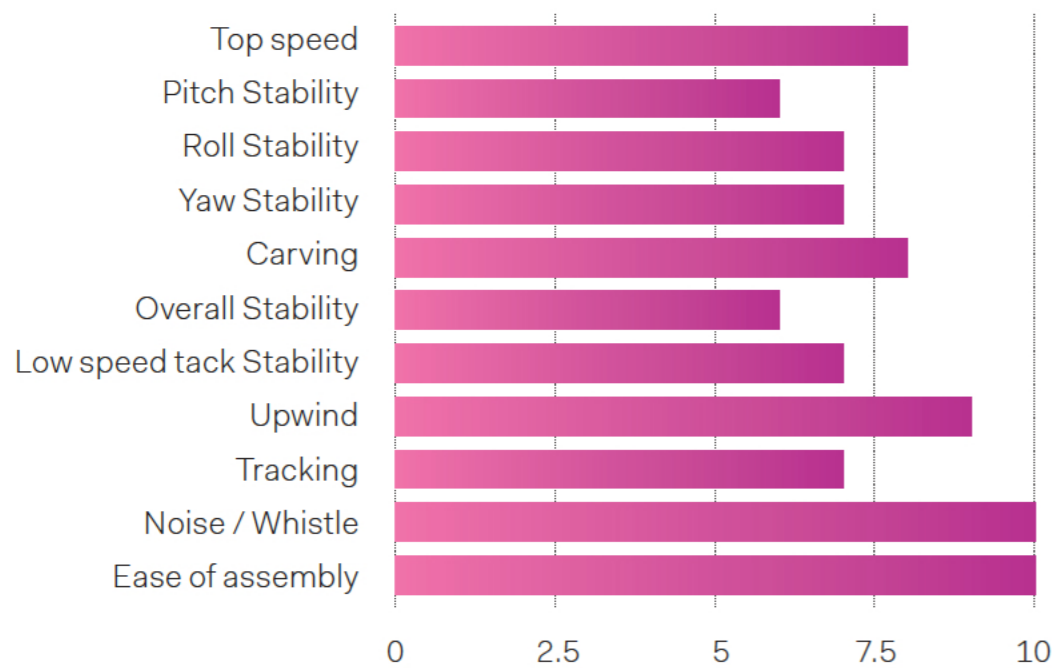
CRAZYFLY UP + F-LITE

The Slovakian brand present a beautiful high end, light weight, and proudly European produced foil from pre-preg carbon on a full length 91cm mast. Although the front wing is on the smaller and racier looking side compared to many freeride setups (it's just under 600cm²), we found it got flying fairly early and once in it quickly stabilized and had a very wide sweet spot and useable range, particularly as you push it faster. On tacks and jibes, there's a hint of gullwing in there so considering its dimensions felt very trustworthy, although foot placement needed to be quite delicate. You can scream around your transitions rapidly and still feel comfortable you will make it. In its range, the pitch stability is sublime. Fixings and fittings are very simple and the whole thing breaks down completely with seven screws and bolts

meaning transport is a synch. The F-Lite board is a super lightweight twin-tip construction which has the familiar build from the CrazyFly twintip line up, and it matches really well with the lightweight Up foil setup. It's a micro board with a great EVA pad, and although it has little volume, it planes nice and quickly and lets the foil do the work. Once flying it feels very connected to the foil and allows the subtle weight transfer through immaculately with no flex whatsoever.

Although marketed as accessible, which it definitely is, this combo has limitless potential, particularly if you're looking for something lightweight, portable and robust.

SUBJECTIVE CRITERIA



CATEGORY WINNERS: FOILS

FREERACE



WINNER - CRAZYFLY UP

For pure putting-your-foot-down fun, the Up was top of the pack. It wasn't (quite) the fastest foil on test, but it had the largest sweet spot and the kind of racier foil that regular riders can really hold down and enjoy.

