



Best adult electric bikes in the UK | Summer 2026

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Looking for the best electric bike in the UK? Whether you need a lightweight e-bike for commuting, a [folding electric bike](#) for train journeys, a [cargo e-bike](#) for family life or a powerful model for tackling hills, we've tested hundreds of electric bikes to find the best options for 2026.

At Electroheads, we don't just compare specifications. We ride every electric bike ourselves on real UK roads, cycle paths and trails, assessing ride quality, comfort, handling, safety, range, build quality and value for money.

From affordable commuter e-bikes to premium touring bikes and capable electric mountain bikes, these are the best electric bikes we've tested and recommend in 2026.

From the hundreds of ebikes and e-scooters our testers have ridden, these are the best electric bikes we recommend in 2026. We also have a specific guide to [the best folding ebikes](#) and [the best electric mountain bikes](#).

Best Long-Range Commuter: Volt Urban LS, £1,899

Weight: 19.5kg | Range: Up to 55 miles



The Volt Urban LS is a premium urban commuter e-bike designed and assembled in the UK. It combines a lightweight aluminium frame with a 250W rear hub motor, automatic three-speed gearing and a low-maintenance carbon belt drive.

The 50Nm of torque provides plenty of assistance for hills, while the automatic gearing makes stop-start city riding particularly easy. There's also seatpost suspension, ergonomic handlebars and puncture-resistant tyres, making it comfortable over longer journeys.

The removable battery offers a claimed range of up to 55 miles, although our real-world London test saw us cover around 29 miles from an 86% charge, using mainly Eco and Tour modes with higher assistance for hills. That's still enough for a full day of riding, and the battery can easily be removed for charging.



Hydraulic disc brakes, integrated lights, full mudguards and an optional MIK rear rack make it well equipped for everyday commuting. We also liked the Quad Lock compatibility and integrated phone charging, which are useful additions for navigating longer journeys.

The Urban LS also uses Panasonic cells and an EN 50604-1 certified battery, while Volt has more than 100 approved service partners across the UK for after-sales support.

Overall, this is a comfortable, stylish and low-maintenance electric bike that's particularly well suited to commuters who want a premium ride with automatic gearing and plenty of practical features.

[Buy direct from Volt](#)

How we test

Our expert testers ride all the electric bikes we review, and we assess them against a range of criteria on road, off-road and in our testing rooms. We check the components' quality and ride the bikes in a range of different terrains and distances. We've ridden hundreds of bikes in total (and an equal number of electric scooters).

It is important to remember that batteries do perform differently in cold weather and may have reduced performances.

For more commuter bikes, see our [full list of best electric folding bikes](#). If you want off-road, see our [guide to the best electric mountain bikes](#). We also cater for those just looking for [cheap electric bikes](#). If you want a bike that's lighter or easier to get on and off in dresses or skirts, see our [guide to the best electric bikes for women](#). Not sure about a whole new bike – try an [electric-bike conversion](#) it.

Fact check: Prices and specs for this guide were last checked and updated on January 2026.

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In 2020, Electroheads launched with the mission of spreading the unique joy of electric power. Our aim was, and still is, to accelerate the adoption of e-mobility throughout the world – encouraging people to switch from fossil fuel-powered vehicles to electric cars, e-bikes and electric scooters.

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