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Black Dog Cycle Works KTM Footpegs

by Bill Brennan

Black Dog Cycle Work's KTM footpegs are a winner. I knew just after purchasing my KTM 990R that I was going to have to replace the footpegs because they were too darn small. The light and tough BDCW footpegs are made of aircraft aluminum and installation was a snap. Within ten minutes the Black Dog footpegs were mounted and ready for testing using nothing more than a pair of pliers.

The foot print measures 2.5" wide x 4.25" long which I found to be ample real estate for my size 13 boots and a large improvement over the stock footpegs. Cueing the bike by applying pressure to these beauties really enhanced handling on single track, high-speed sand whoops and on extended highway jaunts. The large surface area covered with traction cleats offers a secure feeling while standing, especially in technical sections. Traction was excellent against my smooth sole adventure boots.

While hanging out after a full day of riding, almost everyone commented on how these new units look—nothing like a little understated bling on an adventure bike. The built-in bottle opener located on the bottom side of the footpegs made for a nice conversation piece and came in handy for a few riders who were opening their favorite bottled beverages before discussing the day's ride.

If you have a KTM adventure bike and can't quite get comfortable on the machine because the stock footpegs are too small then consider the Black Dog Cycle Works offering. **blackdogcw.com**

PROS

- Large surface area that offers great grip
- Bottle opener built into the underside of the footpeg
- Competitive price

CONS

- No anodized color options
- No height adjustment offered by some competitors