



£385 Hope SPXC3

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Hope's latest SPXC3 wheels are their lightest ever. They have the same tough DT XR4.2D rims as the other Hopes here, but with only 24 straight pull spokes either end. This drops weight dramatically, although there's noticeable flex under heavier riders.

The QR-only hubs use the same excellent, proven seals and stainless bearings as the Pro 3 hubs, but with unique three arm rotors supplied 'free'. Based on two 160mm rotors this saves up to 80g against six bolts or XTR

Centerlock, making them impressively light for the price.

There are replacement downsides, but Hope customer service is exemplary in the UK and standard six-bolt Pro 3 SP wheels (1,645g) are available.

MBUK VERDICT

■	RACE
■	TRAIL
■	LIFE
■	VALUE

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Bit flexy and potential replacement worries, but light and very long lived