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# E\*THIRTEEN LG1+

As this chain device proves, evolution is a wonderful thing. e\*thirteen's chainguides have been at the top of the game for years now, but while the earlier versions did manage to do an excellent job of keeping your chain on, it has to be said that they weren't the easiest to work on. Obviously keeping a chain on is the number one priority, but once you've got that dialled you can go about getting all the other boxes ticked, and after several years of tweaking I reckon that with this LG1+ e\*thirteen have now ticked all the boxes.

I've spent countless hours in chain device induced nightmares and so I never thought I would be saying this, but this one is a joy to work on and with all its adjustability it seems to fit pretty much everything. It's all those little details, like the captive bolts, that make the difference, you just don't find yourself scrabbling around under the fridge/in the grass for that crucial little washer. Some of you might prefer the SRS+ with its bashring, but personally I much prefer the look of this 'taco' style one and I have yet to have a problem with it transferring too much impact force through to the ISCG tabs. Oh, and without wishing to sound too anal, it's also lighter than a bashring, and unlike the bashring you don't have to spin the taco around.

What is there to dislike? To be honest, nothing, and it hasn't surprised me one bit that e\*thirteen haven't come out with a new version because I really don't see how they can improve upon this design. I suppose some might say the price could be improved, but then if that's the only sticking point and you don't mind adding a few extra grams in return for saving fifty quid then why not go for the LS1+. Apart from a steel back plate rather than an aluminium one, and none of the adjustable chainstay angle malarkey (which to be honest most frames don't even need), it's identical and just as effective/easy to work on. Whichever one you go for though you can rest assured it'll be one of the best purchases you've ever made.

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