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What size tethrd mantis do I need????

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Member

Joined: Aug 5, 2018

Messages: 66

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#1

Howdy,

I'm looking to buy a tethrd mantis today or tomorrow and keep going back and forth between the large and XL. I'm 6'00" and 205ish lbs. and wear a 34-36" waist pant(I prefer 35" when I can find it). I emailed tethrd and they told me to go with a large but I keep reading about people wishing they would have got the next size up.

Does anyone on here have a mantis and a similar body size to me? Can you give me some good info on what to do?

Sent from my iPhone using Tapatalk



bigasports

Active Member

Vendor Rep

Joined: Jan 27, 2016

Messages: 188

Location: Tennessee

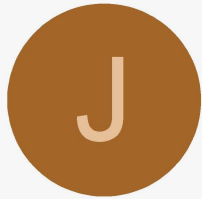
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#2

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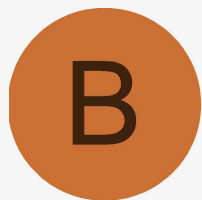
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bigasports



bowhuntonly

Member

Joined: Feb 2, 2019

Messages: 75

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#4

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I saw where that would make a difference in the size of saddle. What if you doing both?

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Slipsnslide

Member

Joined: Nov 5, 2018

Messages: 90

Location: South Central PA

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#5

I'm about the same size and I'm very happy with the large

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#6

bowhuntonly said:

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Idk. That's why I'm asking. Haha

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boyne
bowhunter

Moderator

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SH Member

Joined: Aug 17, 2016

Messages: 8,968

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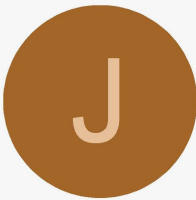
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#7

If you're on the fence I don't think you can go wrong stepping up a size. I wear a 36" waist pant and currently weigh in the neighborhood of 215/220. The XL is perfect for me.

huck72412 and justin.dunn.77377



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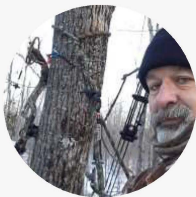
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Is there any you don't like about it? Anything you'd like to change?

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#9

Other than adding a couple of gear loops it's the one piece of saddle hunting equipment that I have left completely stock. I will say that I like a slightly longer bridge than the 30in bridge when sitting but I just swap in my lineman's belt after I get to height. That said, bridge length is a very individual choice and from what I've gathered my like of a longer bridge is not common. I will say the 30 inch bridge is perfect for climbing and rappelling for me so I still use the stock bridge every time out.

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What length of bridge are you using? Or are you always changing.

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**huck72412**

Well-Known Member

Vendor Rep

SH Member

Joined: Nov 27, 2014

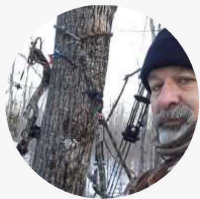
Messages: 3,436

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#11

I completely agree with [@boyne bowhunter](#)

I'd go XL

**boyne
bowhunter**

Moderator

Staff member

SH Member

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Messages: 8,968

Location:

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#12

justin.dunn.77377 said:

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My preferred bridge length while sitting is about 39" long, quite a bit longer than average. Part of that is because I like to lean forward and rest my head on the bridge while in the saddle and if it's shorter than that the connecting carabiner sticks in my ear.

[bigjoe and justin.dunn.77377](#)

**Ontariofarmer**

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Dec 25, 2015

Messages: 5,261

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#13

I have a large mantis and I have a similar waist size. I wish I had bought a x large. I found the same thing with the kestrel... size 1 kestrel was not comfortable. The size 2 kestrel - great.

I have not tried the x large mantis but when I sell the large I will order an x large.

bigjoe and justin.dunn.77377

**bigasports**

Active Member

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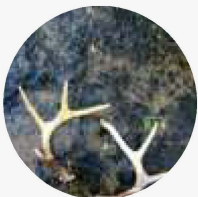
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**ImThere**

Well-Known Member

Joined: Oct 20, 2015

Messages: 6,593

Location: Lewisburg, TN

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#15

I tried the xl Mantis. I think it was too big. I'm a small 36" waist. I can wear some 34" but mostly 36.

I feel like I need a kestrel 1.5. Lol

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**Kurt**

Well-Known Member

Joined: Nov 1, 2018

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#16

I'm 5'10" 205 likewise I'd prefer a 35 waist pant. I have a stock Large Mantis and love it. I feel like it fits me like a glove.

Ex. 1123
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Messages: 2,331
Location: Massachusetts

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Kurt

Well-Known Member

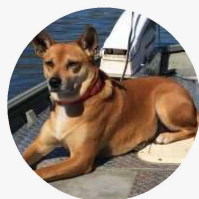
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Location: Massachusetts

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 #17

I'm a 75% leaner 25% sitter.

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CarolinaDog

Well-Known Member

SH Member

Joined: Dec 3, 2018
Messages: 456
Location: SC

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 #18

I am 6' 205 lbs. I have a large mantis. It fits good. When I was trying to figure this out It seemed like the guys ours size with smaller butts liked the large.. Guys about the same height and weight with more "junk in the trunk" liked the XL.

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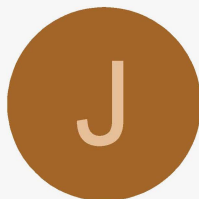
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Sweet I ordered the large. It's still going to be better than the sit drag I was using.
Ha

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 #20

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Hahahaha. My wife says I have a cute butt so I may be in trouble. Hahaha

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