

TEST WINNER: BEST FRAMESET FOCUS CAYO 7.0

TOUR 3/2015, Carbon-Special, Test: Carbon racers around 1500 euros

2.5
TOUR

FOCUS

Cayo 7.0 **8.2 KG - 18.1 LBS**

€ 1599 / \$ 1833 / £ 1196

• Sold retail



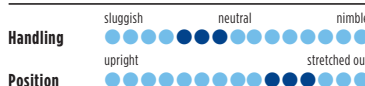
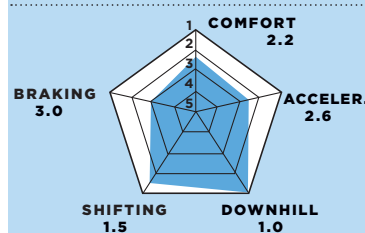
The lightest frame in the test; sporty, distinctive looks and generous warranty. Equipment could be better

GRADE*

Frame **1.8**
Components **2.9**

Web www.focus-bikes.com
Weight frame/fork/headset** 950/400/67 g
Frame sizes*** XS, S, M, L, XL
Crank Shimano RS500 (52/36t, BSA)
Brakes/shifting Concept R540/Shimano 105
Wheels/tires Fulcrum WH-CEX 7.0/Schwalbe Lugano 25C

STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES



The highlight of the new Cayo is the well-designed frameset - its score of 1.8 is a sensation in this class. As the only frame that weighs less than 1000 g - 2.2 lbs, it doesn't have to shy away from comparisons with much more expensive models. Only the fork is unnecessarily hard. However, the manufacturer's price calculation forced reductions in the level of equipment. In operation, the group-free Shimano crank and the simple wheels don't cause any problems because, although they're heavy, they work fine. There are other parts that earn more criticism: the heavy, inflexible clincher tires are no longer appropriate in this class. The own-brand Concept brakes are also disappointing; their braking is significantly weaker than that of their Shimano counterparts. The cockpit is top quality with handlebars that are comfortable on the tops and ramps.

GRADES: 1 = VERY GOOD, 2 = GOOD, 3 = SATISFACTORY, 4 = SUFFICIENT, 5 = FAILING
GERMAN PRICES; THE PRICE IN YOUR COUNTRY MAY VARY

*The final grade is made up of the frame grade (40%) and the components grade (60%). Except for the final grade, all grades are calculated out to the full number of decimal places. For clarity, all grades are depicted rounded off to one decimal place.
** Weighed by TOUR. *** Manufacturer's sizes; tested frame size in bold.