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Klöber Orbit – Test winner
among 32 executive chairs

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PERFORMANCE TEST Executive Chair

The FACTS assessment system

The Editors award swivel chairs that score the most points in the technology and equipment, as well as price and seating comfort category, the overall rating "very good" or "good".

TECHNOLOGY / EQUIPMENT

30 PER CENT / 150 POINTS: FACTS has assessed the chairs in accordance with a variety of different criteria, ranging from the different warranty periods for the product or the gas lift suspension, the adjustable seat depth and seat tilt or backrest lock, to the mechanical deep suspension. It also tested the ergonomics. The Editors awarded further points for the ability to exchange upholstery and cover fabric, as well as for the workmanship with high-quality materials. If the chair does not have a vertically adjustable backrest, points were also awarded for an adjustable lumbar support, or one which is available at an additional charge, since this can enhance seating comfort considerably.

PRICE

10 PER CENT / 50 POINTS: the assessment is related directly to price and does not take account of the performance of the chair. It is based on the recommended retail price of the supplier, excluding VAT. However, experience tells us that the actual market prices are lower.

SEATING COMFORT

60 PER CENT / 300 POINTS: a group of employees from the publishing company tested the comfort while seated. As always, the first time the test person sat in the chair represented a familiarisation with its functions and operation. Once the test persons had selected the correct seat height, they tried out the various settings and locking mechanisms while working at a desk. The various options, such as sitting with locked backrest or dynamic sitting, as well as adjustment of the seat depth or tilt, were then assessed, where applicable. The personal response to the comfort of the upholstery is also reflected in the score.

OVERALL ASSESSMENT: a total of 500 points can be awarded. 150 points for technology and equipment, 50 points for the price and 300 points for the seating comfort.

400 – 500 points	=	very good
300 – 399 points	=	good
200 – 299 points	=	fair
100 – 199 points	=	satisfactory
Less than 99 points	=	poor

The best executive chairs:

Only the chairs that score top marks in the technology and equipment, as well as price and seating comfort categories, are awarded the "very good" FACTS rating.



TEST WINNER

Klüber Orbit 779

+ ergonomic functions; equipment



Klüber Orbit Network 789

+ ergonomic functions; technology/equipment



Kinnarps Plus 8

+ ergonomic functions; equipment



Kühl Salveo

+ ergonomic functions; equipment



Steelcase Please Executive

+ guarantee; ergonomic functions



Comforto DX-9923

+ ergonomic functions; equipment



Dauphin Shape SH24965

+ Seating comfort; ergonomic functions; equipment



Model	Klöber Orbit 779	Klöber Orbit Network 789
Supplier	Klöber GmbH	Klöber GmbH
Information hotline	+49 (0) 7551 838 0	+49 (0) 7551 838 0
Market launch	January 2004	June 2005
Recommended retail price excl. VAT	€ 1,490	€1,187
Product/gas lift suspension guarantee	3 · 3 years	3 · 3 years
EN 1335 1-3 · GS symbol · Ergonomically tested	yes · yes · yes	yes · yes · yes
Technology		
Mechanism	Point-synchronised mechanism with automatic adaptation to body weight 50–110 kg	Point-synchronised mechanism with automatic adaptation to body weight 50–110 kg
Seat height adjustment via gas lift	400–530 mm	400–530 mm
Seat width · Seat depth	470 mm · 420 mm	470 mm · 420 mm
Seat depth adjustment · seat tilt adjustment	50 mm · yes	50 mm · yes
Backrest height · adjustable	610 mm · no	610 mm · no
Backrest tilt adjustment · lockable	92–117° · any position	92–117° · any position
Seat/backrest tilt ratio	1 : 2.7	1 : 2.7
Mechanical deep suspension	Yes	yes
Equipment		
Upholstery · Changeable Upholstery thickness	Comfort upholstery · Clip technology seat · Seat 60 mm/ backrest 15 mm upholstery mat	Comfort upholstery · Clip technology seat 60 mm/ backrest with transparent breathable mesh
Cover · Changeable	Calf leather, not bonded · yes	Calf leather, not bonded · yes
Seat and backrest	Ergonomic shape, adjustable height and depth of “Air Support” lumbar support, flexible headrest	Ergonomic shape, backrest with breathable Softnet mesh, vertically adjustable lumbar support and flexible headrest
Armrests	Adjustable width 50 mm and depth 50 mm, can be swivelled, covered in leather	Adjustable width 50 mm and depth 50 mm, can be swivelled, covered in soft PU
Base	Polished aluminium	Polished aluminium
Other equipment	Aluminium armrest bars	Aluminium armrest bars
TECHNOLOGY/EQUIPMENT: max. 150 points	128	119
PRICE: max. 50 points	34	42
SEATING COMFORT: max. 300 points	295	270
TOTAL: max. 500 points	457	431
	+ ergonomic functions; equipment	+ ergonomic functions; equipment
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Overall assessment

FACTS maximum score: 500 points

→ Klöber	Orbit 779	457 points = Very good
Kinnarps	Plus 8	449 points = Very good
Dauphin	Shape SH28985	437 points = Very good
Köhl	Salveo	436 points = Very good
→ Klöber	Orbit Network 789	431 points = Very good
Comforto	DX-9923	415 points = Very good
Steelcase	Please Executive	408 points = good
Mauser	attivo 489	390 points = good
HermanMiller	Aeron	389 points = good
Viasit	futura	384 points = good
Haider	Jive 560 business	382 points = good
HAG	H09 9220	376 points = good
Kinnarps	Kapton 8664 N6	374 points = good
Haider	Twist 460 business	372 points = good
Comforto	D7713	371 points = good
Eron	sVIP	370 points = good
Dauphin	HighWay HW 16235	367 points = good
MartinStoll	Collection C	349 points = good
HAG	H09 9130	346 points = good
Züco	Lusso	346 points = good
GRAHL	xenium comfort	343 points = good
Girsberger	Trilax	337 points = good
König+Neurath	Skye	334 points = good
Wilkhahn	Modus Medium	330 points = good
Viasit	inova luxe	322 points = good
F.-M. Steifensand	Carlo Colluci CC4	316 points = good
FM	Vista Executive	313 points = good
König+Neurath	Okay	312 points = good
MartinStoll	Collection Z	296 points = satisfactory
Drabert	President	292 points = satisfactory
LabofaMunch	Ego Plus	289 points = satisfactory
LabofaMunch	S80	279 points = satisfactory



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Cantilever model
Klöber Orbit 774



Cantilever model
Klöber Orbit Network 784

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Klöber Orbit Network 789

in Ausstattung und Preis
das Qualitätsurteil



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