

PRODUCT REVIEW BY GENEVIEVE SCHMITT

# HEIN GERICKE DOHENY JACKET AND PANT

G-Line apparel ... designed for women, by women



G IS HEIN GERICKE'S WOMEN'S LINE OF MOTORcycle jackets and pants launched in early 2006. I tested the mid-weight Doheny jacket and pant because of its stylish leather/nylon combination of fabrics. The just-below-waist-length jacket is easy to wear; the leather is soft, and the water-resistant nylon isn't stiff. One of the line's selling points is that the clothes are cut for real-sized women, so this jacket is fuller in the waist with buckles to cinch for those who need it tighter. The pants are cut like hip-hugger-style jeans, sitting low on the waist with two front pockets, belt loops, and are flared at the ankles. There's an elastic cinch strap at the ankles to tighten the pant legs to prevent flapping in the wind while riding.

While this outfit comes only in black, it has subtle feminine touches like a reflective (and fashionable) screen print on the lower arms, a metal G emblem sewn into various places on the outfit, and the Hein

Gericke name embroidered on the back of the jacket. What I like most, though, is the CE-approved armor at the elbows, shoulders, knees, and hips. There's also a soft foam back protector. Unlike some armor that renders clothing stiff, this Hiprotec comfort armor is soft and pliable. You hardly know it's there, and I like that extra protection. Jacket sizes: 4-18 (from \$299.95); pant sizes: 4-16 (from \$199.95). AIM

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