

DO YOU VESPA?

We go all the way to Kerala to meet the new Vespa S. Does it impress? Let's find out...



Do you Vespa? It's an odd question, right? And oddly enough, it seems to be the norm to be abnormal with this bunch, which is quite oddly satisfying to a certain degree. May be that's why Vespa organised this ride only now – the scooter had launched a few months back. Jokes apart, let's get to business. Early warning: If you are a particularly tall individual and plan to get the Vespa S, you're going to

look like a giant llama riding the little tricycle from the movie *Saw*. Scooters are mostly hated for the tiny wheels that don't grip and the boring design that would depress even the happiest of panda bears in the world. However, I got the orange scooter, evidently, and was told to take it and go. And off I went. It is a beautiful scooter to ride. Zippy and sure-footed with awe-inspiring confidence on the road, which I have never

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experienced from a scooter before. The 125cc engine purred silently under the seat. In fact, it was too silent and smooth at times, which is good. The design shouts Italian and is a head turner. It is a scary feeling, this. I never thought I would say it, but if there is a scooter I'd buy, it would be from the house of Vespa. It was clear from the start that Vespa wanted to be a tad bit different from the norm, and it might have just succeeded.



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The Vespa S is a dangerously beautiful scooter that can charm even a biker into loving it...