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Otte Gear Patrol Parka: Waterproof, Windproof Soft Shell/Hard Shell Combo Combat/Tactical Hoodie Jacket in Brookwood Camouflage Pattern on Apex/eVent Fabric! (Video!)

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Earlier this year (2014), at SHOT Show 2014, DefenseReview (DR) got to view and handle the new and very cool Otte Gear Patrol Parka hard shell hoodie jacket in Brookwood camo (camouflage) pattern on The North Face TNF Apex fabric for breathable wind protection. The Brookwood camo pattern appears to be a woodland/arid environment pattern, and is similar to a German flecktarn pattern, only with larger splotches and less saturation.



The OG Patrol Parka's breathable, windproof TNF Apex softshell fabric outer shell is soft and quiet, preventing a "crinkling" sound when wearing or handling it. Underneath the outside Apex layer is the laminated GE eVent hardshell fabric inside layer. eVent is a proven breathable waterproof fabric, giving the wearer the best of both (breathable) worlds. Waterproof zippers and seam do the rest of the waterproofing and windproofing. So, while you're sealed off from wind and water, you won't sweat your butt off while you're all zipped and hooded up.

There are two large waterproof-zippered pockets on either side of the chest for lots of internal cargo space. The draw strings are mounted inside the pockets and routed to the center of the jacket for cinching (the waist). There's another waterproof pocket, an auxiliary pocket, if you will, on the upper sleeve(s). The sleeves also feature fast-adjustable velcro wrist closures, of course. The "full-featured" hood stows inside the collar. All the zipper pulls on the Patrol Parka are made out of cord for quiet/silent operation. The velcro patch panel features a Brookwood camo pattern panel cover, which can be used when there's no morale/unit patch and/or blood-type patch mounted.

Like most other Otte Gear tactical/combat jackets, the Patrol Parka sports large pit zips (zippers) on the sides for extra venting and cooling, if/when required. The pit zips are 16 inches (16"), and wrap all the way around to the underside of the arm.



The Otte Gear Patrol Parka's center-front (i.e., main) zipper is a YKK VISLON Zipper water-resistant zipper with a dual slider, so you can zip or unzip the jacket in both directions.

The jacket features one large hidden internal storage pocket on the left side for your wallet, ID, documents etc.

The OG Patrol Parka is just a great-looking and very tacticool cold/inclement-weather softshell/hardshell jacket that will help keep you warm and dry in the wind, rain and snow. In fact, it's the nicest-looking jacket of this type that Defense Review has seen to date, especially with the Brookwood camouflage pattern outer shell. Just understand that quality costs, and this quality garment comes in at $565.00 USD. In our opinion, it's worth it. If you've got the dough and you're looking for a jacket of this type, look no further. We'd recommend you buy it, and don't look back. It's *that* nice.

The following information comes directly from the Otte Gear website:

"These lighweight parkas and pants are designed for the operator who spends extended time in the field where weight, durability and complete weather protection are mission critical factors.



PATROL PARKA

- 3-layer eVent fabric is waterproof, fully seam-taped, and highly breathable
- Full parka length-cut
- High mobility hood stows in the collar, has two adjustments and is helmet compatible
- All zippers YKK water resistant
- Pit zips to avoid overheating and internal moisture build-up
- Two high volume low profile sleeve pockets accessible while wearing body armor
- Velcro on sleeve pockets for patches
- Two deep chest pockets located above belt line and can be accessed while wearing a ruck
- One handed draw strings on hood and hem of jacket
- Brushed chin guard lining
- Weight 31 oz (879 grams) in size large
- Sizes: Small – 2Xlarge"

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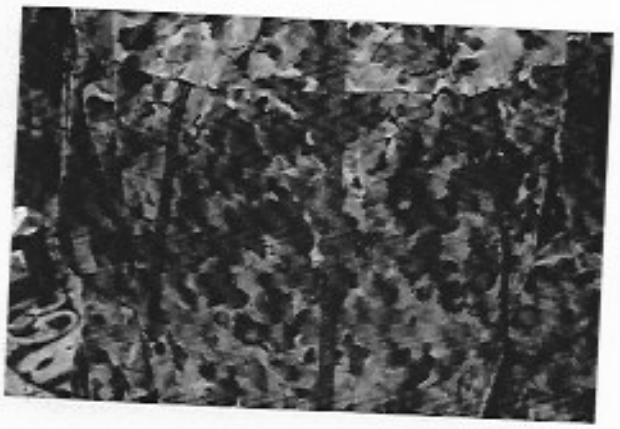
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