



LOTS TO LOVE ABOUT THESE KETTLEBELLS

There's a lot to love about the Gymreapers Kettlebells.

Full disclosure: Our home gym is full of bells from Kettlebell Kings and we also have a set of e-coat bells from Rogue. And while I prefer to keep my brands uniform, the heavier bells from KK and Rogue were getting price prohibitive and so I decided to give the Gymreapers 36kg bell a try.

To date, I can say that these bells meet the same high standards of the other leading brand names in the marketplace. The Gymreapers bells are made from a single piece of cast iron. Some kettlebells have the handles welded on which sets them up for eventual breakage. Casting from a single piece of metal gives more durability to the kettlebell. Moreover, when

kettlebells come out of the mold they are still rough with edges and seams that tear up your hands if not polished off. This bell has been polished so that it's free of imperfections... there's no seam to carve up your hand, not a blemish on the bell that I purchased. It is wobble free and has a decent surface area on the handle which makes grip during high rep sessions comfortable and easy.

This does bring me to the one critique that I have about the Gymreapers kettlebell: The handle is almost too smooth. All of the KK bells in our gym have a powder coat finish that gives the bell and the handle a slight texture that makes gripping the bell a little easier. The Gymreapers bell (at least the one I own) lacks that added texture which means that using this particular bell requires a lot of chalk to secure our grip. All told, that isn't a big enough critique to keep us from purchasing more in the future.