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Dampf: precise  
control and top  
performance for  
modern trails.  
Photo: Schwalbe

## **The new Hans Dampf:**

### **the all-rounder gets a makeover**

Hans Dampf is Schwalbe's quintessential all-rounder for enduro trails: it offers maximum fun and full control on rough terrain as well as on winding single tracks. Now Schwalbe is introducing a new version with radical innovative changes - while losing nothing of its legendary characteristics.

The new tread speaks for itself: this tire lets nothing stand in its way. With stable blocks, an aggressive tread design and Addix compounds, Hans Dampf has had a complete makeover. 'Bikes are becoming more powerful and their geometries extremer year after year, while trails are more and more technically challenging. The new Hans Dampf is perfectly adapted to these trends, offering precise control and ultimate performance, while still maintaining its reliable, user-friendly properties", explains Carl Kämper, Junior Product Manager MTB at Schwalbe. "The new Hans Dampf guarantees maximum fun for both competitive riders and weekend daredevils, whether in enduro, all-mountain or bike park terrains. We recommend it for anyone for whom Nobby Nic is too tame and Magic Mary too extreme."

Reliable versatility

If you like curves, then you will love this grip: the blocks, which are now up to 50% larger, bite well in every position, curve or extreme situation. Even when drifting, the tire is easy to control and bring back into line.

Shoulder blocks: particularly stable shoulder blocks provide superb cornering grip in fast, aggressive curves and increase the tire's lifespan. Together with larger block diameters, these make full use of the excellent damping and wear characteristics of the Addix compounds. The coarse, stable front row blocks have more than enough material to offer an intense, defined sensation and plenty of off-camber grip. Carl Kämper: "The tire rolls as if it's on rails, guarantees maximum adhesion, with no deformation." The rear row blocks provide added safety in extreme situations and drifts. "It's the knobs that save me when things get tough. They dig down a bit later, but are so effective - even in loose and loamy soil. They provide constant grip, a sensation that extends across the entire tread, right to its outer edges."

Transition blocks: elliptically arranged transition blocks between the center and shoulders produce a predictable, reliable feel in any situation.

Centre blocks: large double blocks guarantee propulsion and braking traction through precise power transmission with little flex. The group of 4 blocks supplements the powerful double blocks - for even greater drive and breaking traction. But that's our e-bike specialist, so it is not in competition", explains Carl Kämper.

These blocks can only show off their strengths when the self-cleaning feature functions optimally. This is possible thanks to the more open overall design with plenty of space across the tread. As the tire rolls, the collected mud is ejected sideways as if through a gutter. An added plus: the tread has no directional pattern making mounting easier.

"The balanced tread works effortlessly, and generously corrects errors, which also makes it perfect for

novices. With these characteristics, our all-rounder remains ideal for downhill riding", declares the Junior Product Manager - a mountain bike enthusiast who tests the prototypes himself in the bike park - as he summarizes his first own project at Schwalbe.

For all-mountain and trail riding  
to the downhill world and eMTB

While its predecessor was often used as a combo tire for the back wheel, the new Hans Dampf masters every requirement - whether precision front steering or rear traction. It is also available in all common MTB sizes for a broad range of applications. Carl Kämper: "Addix Soft is our all-round recommendation. With smooth rolling, impressive damping and a powerful grip, the compound is just as at home in the enduro and downhill worlds as in the demanding disciplines of all-mountain and trail riding. This also applies to eMTB: the new Hans Dampf has everything to make it a fun ride." Available sizes: 29 x 2.35, 29 x 2.6, 27.5 x 2.35, 27.5 x 2.6, 27.5 x 2.8, 26 x 2.35 as well as 24 x 2.35: the latter is ideal for the growing trend of high-quality MTBs for kids. The new Hans Dampf will be available from specialist retailers as of July, at a price of US\$66 in the Performance Line and from US\$98 in the exclusive Evolution Line.

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## **Caption no. 2**

Carl Kämper:

Carl Kämper, Product Manager MTB at Schwalbe, tests the Hans Dampf prototypes himself in the bike park.