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Shuttles tested in the winter will not be as durable nor perform as well.

In general, shuttles from the past had superior feathers and better performance. This is not reflection of their current performance.

All ratings are subjective, relative to its peers but not absolute and not cumulative.

Bold = Top Rated Shuttles. Any shuttle with an overall rating of "Good" or better rating is recommended.

Shuttle Grades are based on my findings NOT what the manufacturer claims. From highest to lowest grade: highest, high, medium, low.

Ratings from best to worst: Excellent, Good, Average, Below Average, Poor. "+" or "-" sign is added for emphasis (when necessary).

BADMINTON CENTRAL - DINK-A-LOT'S BADMINTON SHUTTLE REVIEW

#	Shuttle Name:	Last Test Date:	Overall Rating:	Bang For The-Buck:	Price Paid in USD:	Shuttle Grade	Flight Accuracy:	Shuttle Durability:	Flight Consistency:	Feather Consistency:	Shuttle Weight:	Impact Feel:	Comments:
1	**Aeroplane EG1130 (Black)**	Jul-07	Excellent	Good	$17.00	Highest	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent-	Excellent	One of my favorite shuttles.
2	Aeroplane G1130 (Green)	Aug-07	Good	Good	$14.00	Medium+	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	A good all-around shuttle.
3	**Aeroplane SG1130 (Red)**	Sep-07	Excellent-	Excellent-	$15.00	High+	Excellent-	Excellent-	Excellent-	Excellent-	Good+	Excellent-	A very good all-around shuttle.
4	**Bad R Us Pink (Professional)**	Aug-05	Excellent-	Good	$17.00	High+	Excellent-	Good+	Good+	Good+	Good	Good+	Discontinued. A very good shuttle.
5	Bad R Us Red (Practice)	Aug-05	Average+	Average+	$11.00	Low	Average	Average+	Average+	Average	Average	Average+	Discontinued.
6	Bad R Us Yellow (Club)	Aug-05	Good-	Good-	$15.00	Medium	Good-	Good-	Good-	Good-	Average+	Good	Discontinued.
7	BG2 Blue	Mar-07	Poor+	Below Average	$11.00	Low	Below Average	Average-	Poor+	Poor	Below Average	Below Average	Below average all-around. Skip.
8	BG2 Orange	Mar-07	Poor	Below Average	$12.00	Low	Below Average	Below Average	Poor+	Poor	Below Average	Below Average	Below average all-around. Skip.
9	Bintang Champion (Blue)	Mar-08	Very Poor	Very Poor		High	Average-	Good	Very Poor	Excellent-	Good	Good+	Did I get a bad tube? Every shuttle was wobbly and the speed was inconsistent.
10	Bintang Game (Hot Pink)	Mar-08	Average-	Average		Low+	Average+	Average-	Average	Average+	Average+	Good-	Feathers are yellowish like the CP Gold, not very durable.
11	Black Knight 6600	Aug-07	Average+	Very Poor-	$16.50	Medium-	Average	Good-	Average+	Good	Average+	Average+	Supposedly premium grade but not. Inconsistent and a bit wobbly. Skip.
12	Cadoro Super Tournament Grade	Sep-07	Good	Good+	$14.95	Medium+	Good+	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good	Very good for the money.
13	Cadoro Top Feather	Oct-07	Average+	Good	$12.95	Medium	Good-	Average+	Good-	Good-	Good-	Good	Good minus. Feather feels robust but actually is only a bit better than average.
14	Carlton AG-10	Oct-07	Average	Poor	$19.95	Highest	Good+	Good	Good-	Excellent-	Good	Good	Inconsistent for a $20 tube. Most are good, a bad one is wobbly. Go figure.
15	Carlton AG-8	Aug-07	Average+	Average	$14.95	Medium	Average	Average	Average-	Average-	Good-	Good-	A mediocre shuttle. Others are better for the money.
16	Chao Pai Blue-Duck	Feb-08	Good+	Good+	$14.00	Medium+	Good+	Good-	Good+	Good-	Excellent-	Excellent-	Duck feather but plays like goose and is good all-around.
17	**Chao Pai Blue-Goose**	Feb-08	Good+	Good	$16.00	High	Good+	Good	Good+	Good	Excellent-	Excellent	Still good but not great in the winter. But then again, what shuttle is?
18	Chao Pai Gold	Jan-08	Good-	Good+	$12.00	Medium-	Good-	Average+	Good	Average	Good	Good+	A practice grade goose shuttle that has slighly yellow feathers but performs OK.
19	Chao Pai Grass Green	Feb-08	Average+	Good	$10.00	Low+	Average	Average	Average	Average	Good-	Good-	For one of the least expensive shuttles, it's still pretty decent.
20	Chao Pai Green	Feb-08	Good	Excellent-	$12.00	Medium	Good	Good-	Good	Average+	Good+	Excellent-	Rated as a practice shuttle, some feathers clipped but still performs very well.
21	**Chao Pai Purple**	Feb-08	Excellent	Good	$18.00	Highest	Excellent-	Excellent-	Excellent-	Excellent-	Excellent	Excellent	Another winner from Chao Pai. Still durable in the winter months.
22	**Chao Pai Red**	Jan-08	Excellent	Good	$20.00	Highest	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent+	One of the best shuttles I've tried. Even decent in the winter months.
23	DHS 201	May-06	Average+	Good	$13.00	Medium+	Good-	Good-	Average+	Average+	Good	Good-	Good for the money but consistency and availability are a bit questionable.
24	DHS 301	Aug-06	Average-	Average	$10.00	Medium-	Average	Average+	Average-	Average	Average	Average+	An average shuttle at an average price.
25	DHS 302	Aug-06	Below Average	Average-	$10.00	Low+	Below Average	Average	Below Average	Below Average	Average-	Average	Below average, skip.
26	DHS 402	May-06	Very Poor	Poor	$7.00	Very Low	Very Poor	Poor	Very Poor	Poor	Poor	Very Poor	Wobbly, inconsistent speed. Skip.
27	Hi Qua Blue	Jul-07	Good	Average	$16.50	High-	Good+	Good	Good+	Good	Good+	Good+	A good all-around shuttle but a bit pricey.
28	**Hi Qua Chester**	Jul-07	Excellent	Good-	$18.00	Highest	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent-	Excellent-	Excellent-	Excellent-	Same shuttle as the Hi-Qua Red; named after Chester of Hi-Qua. :-)
29	Hi Qua Orange	Oct-07	Average-	Average-	$13.00	Low+	Average	Average-	Average	Average	Average	Average+	Ahhhh, so-so.
30	Hi Qua Purple	Oct-07	Average+	Average	$14.00	Medium-	Good-	Average+	Average+	Good-	Good-	Good-	What was one the benchmark shuttle is just Average+. Dang you bird flu!
31	**Hi Qua Red**	Jul-07	Excellent	Good	$18.00	Highest	Excellent-	Excellent	Excellent-	Excellent-	Excellent-	Excellent-	Excellent all-around, feather doesn't break but many speed up after use.
32	HL Champion	Jan-08	Good	Good-	$17.00	High	Good+	Good	Good	Good+	Good	Good+	Recently updated. Still good but not grea. I found a screw in the cork!
33	King KS-505	Dec-05	Below Average	Average	$9.00	Low+	Average-	Average-	Average	Average	Average-	Average-	For $9.00/tube, I guess...barely marginal. Discontinued.
34	King KS-707	Jan-07	Average+	Good	$10.00	Medium	Average+	Average	Good	Average+	Average	Average+	A marginal shuttle at a relatively inexpensive price.
35	**MMOA Select MS-850**	Dec-06	Good+	Good+	$14.00	High	Good+	Good+	Good+	Good	Good+	Good	For the money, very good but for $1 more, go with the Super Select.
36	MMOA Strong	May-07	Average-	Average+	$12.00	Low+	Average-	Good+	Average-	Poor	Good	Good	Durable but doesn't fly consistently due to clipped feathers.
37	**MMOA Super Select MS-950**	Dec-06	Excellent	Excellent	$15.00	Highest	Excellent	Excellent-	Excellent-	Excellent-	Good+	Excellent	One of the best shuttles for the money.
38	**MMOA Ultra Select**	Dec-06	Excellent	Good+	$18.00	Highest	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent-	Excellent	On par with the AS-50, one of the best shuttles I've ever tried.
39	OCBC Premium Grade	Oct-07	Good	Average-	$24.00	Highest	Excellent-	Excellent-	Good+	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Good stuff but fly a bit fast.
40	OCBC Tournament Grade	Oct-07	Good-	Average	$21.50	High	Good	Good+	Good-	Good+	Excellent	Excellent-	Some fly very well others wobble a tad but overall a good shuttle; a bit fast.
41	Prince Competition	Jan-08	Average-	Poor	$28.50	High	Good	Poor+	Good	Good	Good	Average+	Poor durability and very expensive. From the Philippines.
42	Prince Tournament	Jan-08	Average+	Average-	$23.95	High	Good	Average+	Good+	Good	Good	Good	Hmmm, the less expensive shuttle better than the more expensive one?
43	QiangLi 616	Oct-07	Poor	Poor	$8.95	Low	Poor	Average-	Poor	Poor	Average-	Average-	Poor. Skip.
44	QiangLi 818	Oct-07	Average-	Average	$10.95	Medium	Average	Average+	Average	Good	Average	Average	Feathers are good but the shuttle doesn't perform.
45	**RCL (1st Grade) Titanium**	Mar-08	Good+	Good+	$17.00	Highest	Good+	Good	Excellent-	Excellent-	Good+	Good+	A bit inconsistent. Some fly excellent, some fly good. Still a good shuttle.
46	RCL (2nd Grade) Professional	Mar-08	Good	Good	$14.00	Medium+	Good-	Good	Average+	Good	Good+	Good+	Performed good all-around except consistency a bit off.
47	**RCL (3rd Grade) Champion**	Mar-08	Excellent-	Excellent+	$12.00	Medium	Excellent-	Average+	Excellent-	Good	Good+	Good+	This maybe the best flying shuttle for $12.00/tube!
48	RSL Ace	Apr-07	Good	Good	$15.00	Medium	Good	Good-	Good	Good	Good-	Good	Good but I'd opt for the Tourney # 4.
49	RSL Practice	Mar-07	Average+	Average+	$13.00	Low	Average-	Average	Average-	Average-	Average-	Poor+	Marginal for game play. I'd skip.
50	RSL Silver	Apr-07	Good-	Good	$14.00	Medium+	Good	Good	Good	Good	Average+	Good-	Decent but go with the Tourney # 4.
51	**RSL Tourney # 1**	Mar-08	Excellent-	Good-	$20.00	Highest	Excellent-	Good+	Excellent-	Good+	Good+	Good+	Updated: not as good as before but still excellent.
52	**RSL Tourney # 2**	Jan-07	Good+	Good	$15.50	High	Good+	Good	Good+	Good+	Good+	Good+	A bit better than the T3 and T4 but hard to tell.
53	**RSL Tourney # 3**	Jan-07	Good+	Good	$13.00	Medium+	Good	Good-	Good	Good	Good-	Good-	Hard to distinguish between the T2, T3 and T4, I'd go with the T4.
54	RSL Tourney # 4	Mar-08	Good	Good	$14.00	Medium	Good-	Average+	Good	Good-	Good-	Good-	Updated: a good bang-for-the-buck shuttle. Not as good as before.
55	RSL Tourney # 5	Jan-07	Average+	Good-	$12.00	Medium-	Good-	Average+	Average+	Average+	Average+	Average+	An OK shuttle, good price.
56	RSL Tourney # 6	Jan-07	Average	Good-	$11.00	Low+	Average	Average+	Average-	Average-	Average	Average	An inexpensive marginal shuttle. Go for the T4.
57	RSL Tourney # 7	Jan-07	Average-	Average-	$10.00	Low	Average	Average+	Average-	Average-	Poor+	Below Average	Skip.
58	**RSL Tourney Classic**	Dec-06	Excellent	Good	$18.00	Highest	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent+	Excellent+	Excellent	Excellent	One of the best shuttles around. One of my favorites.
59	Shuttlecocks.com Tournament	Jul-07	Poor-	Very Poor	$10.00	Low	Poor	Average	Poor	Poor	Average-	Average	Absolutely SKIP!
60	**SOTX BB-101**	Nov-06	Excellent-	Average-	$20.00	Highest	Excellent	Good+	Excellent	Excellent	Good+	Good	Very good but pricey and hard to find.
61	SOTX BB-201	Jan-08	Good	Good-	$16.00	Medium+	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good+	Good	A good all around shuttle.
62	**Tai-Lai TL-001 Gold**	Aug-07	Excellent-	Excellent	$16.95	Highest	Excellent	Good	Excellent-	Excellent-	Good+	Good+	A very good shuttle, no weaknesses. Faster, use 1 speed lower.
63	Tai-Lai TL-201 Blue	Sep-07	Good	Good+	$13.00	Medium	Good	Good	Good-	Good-	Good	Good	A decent shuttle but a bit fast, use 1 speed lower.
64	Tai-Lai TL-301 Pink	Oct-07	Average	Average+	$12.00	Medium-	Average+	Average	Average+	Good-	Average+	Average	Skip.
65	Tai-Lai TL-401 Yellow	Oct-07	Poor+	Poor+	$9.95	Low	Poor	Poor+	Poor	Average	Poor+	Average-	Skip.
66	Takomi Amateur Red	Jan-08	Average-	Average+	$9.50	Low+	Average-	Average-	Average-	Average	Good-	Good-	Feathers are a bit yellow. A very average shuttle.
67	**Takomi Blue Non-Professional**	Jan-08	Good	Excellent-	$15.85	Medium+	Excellent-	Good	Excellent-	Good	Good+	Good+	Non-Professional? Hmmmm, almost professional to me.
68	Takomi Green Beginner Class	Feb-08	Average-	Good-	$6.75	Low	Average-	Average-	Average-	Average-	Average	Average	Not consistent but for $7/tube what do you want? Some play good some don't.
69	Takomi Professional Black	Jan-08	Good	Average+	$17.85	Medium+	Good+	Average+	Good+	Good	Good	Good	A good overall shuttle but durability was just average.
70	**Takomi Tournament Gold**	Dec-07	Excellent-	Good	$20.95	Highest	Excellent	Good	Excellent	Excellent-	Good+	Good+	Excellent in all aspects but durability, which is still good. An excellent shuttle.
71	Trump T-101	Dec-06	Good-	Average+	$16.00	High	Excellent-	Good+	Average	Good+	Excellent-	Excellent	Inconsistent flight. A good one is on par with AS-50, a bad one is average.
72	Trump T-102	Dec-06	Good-	Average+	$15.00	Medium+	Good-	Good	Good-	Good-	Good	Good	Same as the T-101, some have inconsistent flight. So weird.
73	Trump T-202	Dec-06	Good-	Good	$14.00	Medium	Good-	Good	Good-	Good	Good-	Good	Good overall but some shuttles are inconsistent in flight.
74	Trump T-203	Dec-06	Good	Excellent	$10.00	Medium-	Good	Good-	Good	Good	Good-	Good-	The most consistent Trump shuttle, go figure; tops in bang-for-the-buck.
75	Trump T-204	Dec-06	Average	Average+	$9.00	Medium-	Average+	Average+	Average+	Average+	Average	Average	An OK shuttle, good bang-for-the-buck.
76	Trump T-303	Dec-06	Average-	Average+	$7.50	Low	Average-	Average-	Average-	Average	Average-	Average-	A marginal shuttle that's extremely inexpensive so a good deal.
77	**Victor Champion No. 1**	Nov-06	Excellent	Good	$18.00	Highest	Excellent	Excellent-	Excellent-	Excellent	Good+	Good+	Watch out for poor quality fakes. One of the top shuttles I've tried.
78	Victor Gold No. 1	Nov-06	Average+	Average+	$12.00	Medium	Average+	Average+	Average	Average+	Average+	Average+	Uhhhhh...average-ish. Go with the RSL Tourney # 4.
79	Wilson Classic	Aug-07	Average	Average-	$13.95	Medium-	Average	Average+	Average	Average+	Average+	Good-	For the money, skip.
80	Wilson Professional Tournament	Aug-07	Good-	Average	$15.95	High	Good	Average+	Good	Good-	Average+	Good	An acceptable shuttle but not worth the money.
81	Wilson WS700	Sep-07	Average	Average+	$10.95	Low	Average-	Good-	Average-	Average	Good-	Good	Decent durability but inconsistent flight. Skip.
82	**Yang Yang 2000B**	Aug-07	Excellent	Excellent+	$13.95	High+	Excellent-	Good	Good+	Average	Good+	Excellent	Excellent for the money; feathers don't look to great but very good performing.
83	Yang Yang Official	Aug-07	Good+	Excellent	$13.95	Medium+	Good	Good	Good-	Average	Good	Good+	Very good for the money. Shuttle appearance not so great but performs.
84	**Yang Yang Tactic 300B**	Aug-07	Excellent+	Excellent+	$16.95	Highest	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent-	Excellent	Excellent+	Need to buy one speed slower. Excellent all-around, on par with AS-50!
85	Yonex AS-10	Oct-07	Average	Poor+	$17.00	Medium-	Average	Average+	Average+	Average	Average+	Average+	Expensive. Skip.
86	Yonex AS-15	Aug-07	Good	Good-	$16.95	High	Good	Excellent-	Good	Average+	Excellent	Excellent	Some fly so-so, others are as good as AS-40s! Depends on the luck of the draw.
87	Yonex AS-20	Oct-07	Average+	Poor	$21.00	Medium	Average	Good-	Average+	Good-	Average+	Average+	Just like the AS-10, expensive. Skip.
88	Yonex AS-30	Mar-08	Average+	Poor	$24.00	Medium	Average-	Average+	Average+	Good-	Good	Good	Inconsistent, some are good, some are so-so. Get the AS-40.
89	**Yonex AS-40**	Aug-07	Excellent	Good-	$25.00	Highest	Excellent	Good+	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	What can you say? An awesome shuttle, just not quite as durable as the AS-50.
90	**Yonex AS-50**	Mar-08	Excellent-	Average	$30.00	Highest	Excellent	Good	Excellent	Excellent-	Excellent	Excellent	Still a great shuttle but the quality has gone down recently. Expensive.
91	Youhe (Yong Guang) S500	Oct-07	Good-	Good	$13.75	Medium-	Good	Good	Good-	Good-	Good-	Good	Feathers are consistent but clipped but amazingly fly quite well.
92	Youhe (Yong Guang) Y200	Sep-07	Good	Good	$15.45	Medium+	Good	Good-	Good	Good+	Good	Good	Good all-around.
93	Youhe (Yong Guang) Y835	Oct-07	Poor	Poor	$8.95	Lowest	Poor	Average-	Poor	Poor	Poor	Poor	Poor. Skip.
94	Youhe S100 Professional	Sep-07	Good	Average+	$19.95	Highest	Good+	Good+	Good	Excellent	Good-	Good	Good but there are better options for less.
95	YouLee 2028	Jul-07	Very Poor	Very Poor	$14.00	Low	Poor	Average	Very Poor	Average+	Average-	Average	Terrible consistency; some are OK, most are terrible. Skip.
96	YouLee 2048	Jul-07	Very Poor	Very Poor	$12.00	Low	Poor	Poor	Very Poor	Poor-	Average-	Poor	Terrible, terrible, terrible. Skip.
97	YouLee 2068	Jul-07	Very Poor	Very Poor	$10.00	Low	Very Poor	Poor	Very Poor	Poor-	Average-	Poor	One of the worst shuttles (if you can even call it one) I've ever tried. Skip.