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Stick EVO on anything and the testosterone automatically starts to flow. Ducati's EVO Hypers have proved to be gravy, so what about the 848?

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Five go mad in Wiltshire on our annual Naked Sportsbike Of The Year test. After lashings and lashings of ginger beer, the five head off to Castle Combe for lots of silliness, stunts and sizzling action

- ▷ Ducati Streetfighter S
- ▷ Triumph Street Triple R
- ▷ Kawasaki Z1000
- ▷ KTM 990 Super Duke R
- ▷ Bimota DB6 Delirio

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The wholesale demise of the baby sportsbike class was an absolute tragedy for sportsbike riders. They make the perfect first scratcher, commuter, trackday hack and rolling riding academy. Grab a minter, quick!

- ▷ Honda VFR400 NC30
- ▷ Suzuki GSX-R400
- ▷ Aprilia RS250



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