

## Manufactured SSC/Buckles Comparison Chart

Brand	Model	Youngest Age	Oldest Age	Min (kg)	Max (kg)	Body Height (cm)	Width (cm)	Waistbelt (cm)	RRP	Newborn Insert	Straps Cross	Features
Action Baby Carrier	Standard	Newborn	3 years	3.5	16				\$98	Nil	N	
AngelPack	LX-2	4 months	3 years	4.5	18	46	33	66-122	\$139	NA	Y	Reversible hood
Babyhawk	Oh Snap!	6 months	3 years	6	20				\$170	NA	N	
Beco	Butterfly	Newborn	4 years	3.5	20	40	33	71-145	\$169	Integrated (removable)	N	Removable insert/hood, y-panel
Beco	Gemini	Newborn	3 years	3.5	16	35-47	28	71-144	\$179	Integrated	Y	Adjustable base, able to face outwards
Boba	3g	Newborn	3 years	3.5	16	40		63-147	\$160	Integrated	N	Stirrups
Emeibaby	Standard									Nil		
Ergo	Original	Newborn	4 years	3.2	20	36	35	64-109	\$159	Sold Separately	N	Pocket
Ergo	Sport	Newborn	4 years	3.2	20	36	35	76-122	\$159	Sold Separately	N	Pocket, detachable hood
Ergo	Performance	Newborn	4 years	3.2	20	38	35	76-122	\$199	Sold Separately	N	Cargo buckles, water repellent hood and carrier fabric
Hoppediz	Bondolino	Newborn	3 years	3	14				\$145	Nil	Y	Made from wrap fabric, extendable base
Manduca	Standard	Newborn	~ 4 years	3.5	20	35-42	35	72-140	\$159	Integrated	Y	Integrated back extension, dual adjustable straps
Olives and Applesauce	16" (Ava)	Newborn	3 years	3.5	16	39	39		\$158	Integrated	Y	Cinchable hood, dual adjustable straps
Olives and Applesauce	18" (Ava)	~9 months	4 years	7	20	45	39		\$158	Integrated (by request)	Y	Cinchable hood, dual adjustable straps
Patapum	Baby	4-5 months	4 years	6	20	34	33		\$115	Nil	N	
Patapum	Toddler	18 months	4 years	10	28	41	33		\$115	Nil	N	
Storchenweige	Half buckle	Newborn	3 years	3	15				\$129	Nil	Y	Extendable back, made from wrap fabric
Tula	Standard	Newborn	4 years	3.5	20	39	37	76-142	\$159	Sold Separately	N	Extendable body, pocket
Wompat	baby	3 months	18 months						\$160	NA	Y	Made from wrap fabric
Wompat	Standard	9 months	2 years						\$160	NA	Y	Made from wrap fabric
Wompat	toddler	1 year	3 years						\$160	NA	Y	Made from wrap fabric
Wompat	preschool	2.5 years	~ 4 years						\$160	NA	Y	Made from wrap fabric
Yamo	Standard	3 months	2.5 years	5	20				\$155	Nil	Y	Removable hood

\* Body height from edge of waistband to beginning of the hood. All these carriers have hoods (except Beco Gemini)!

\*\* Width of body on the top of the waistband

Remember to check reviews and ask your local community: [www.facebook.com/groups/bwss](http://www.facebook.com/groups/bwss) [www.baby-carriers-downunder.com](http://www.baby-carriers-downunder.com) [www.facebook.com/babywearing](http://www.facebook.com/babywearing) [www.kangacollective.com](http://www.kangacollective.com)

Pictures here: <https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.341240815939634.79645.167861279944256&type=3>

## Handmade in Australia/NZ SSC/Buckles/Mei Tais Comparison Chart

Brand	Model	Youngest Age	Oldest Age	Min (kg)	Max (kg)	Body Height (cm)	Width (cm)	Waistbelt (cm)	RRP	Newborn Insert	Straps Cross	Features
Babies in Space	Baby	3-4 Months	4 years	6	18	40.5	39			NA		
Babies in Space	Toddler	1.5 years	5 years	10	18	46	46			NA		
Beetlebums	Big Kid	18 months	6 years	8	25					NA		Available as wrap conversion, Mei Tai, half buckle
Beetlebums	Baby	Birth	2 years	3.5	18					NA		Available as wrap conversion, Mei Tai, half buckle
Belloborn	Standard									NA		Available as wrap conversion, Mei Tai, half buckle
Hipababy	Standard					42	43			NA		Rounded top edge adds 5cm height
KeoniSlings	Standard					By Request	40			NA		Wrap Conversion Mei Tais

### Making a Comparison: Which Features Matter to You?

- Body Height:** A longer body keeps a taller baby or child closer to your center of gravity, especially when they fall asleep. On the other hand, a very tall body can swamp a small baby or a child that prefers to have their arms out. Some people prefer a shorter body height, others a larger one. Others like an adjustable carrier. Some people don't like the feature!
- Body Width:** A wider body provides support for a larger baby or child, but like height, a body that's too wide can be difficult to use with a small baby without an insert.
- Waist Band Length:** Particularly of concern for larger or smaller wearers: will this carrier fit around your waist and be comfortable? Be advised that many of these carriers also sell extension waist bands separately, so feel free to contact your vendor to find out if you think you need one.
- Infant Inserts:** Some brands have them, some don't. Some have them inbuilt, others sold separately: which one is best? None of them! It's all down to personal preference. What suits you best as a parent?
- Crossed Straps:** Some parents find being able to cross the straps of their carrier more comfortable than a chestbelt and like this feature. Others prefer the chestbelt: it's up to you!

**Other things we haven't included but might be important to you:** strap length, price of additional accessories such as waist extenders, inserts etc.; availability of accessories.

**If you're new to babywearing and don't know which features matter to you:**

Ask your local babywearing community or sling group! At sling groups you can try on the different carriers before buying. There is one in every capital city and many in regional areas.

Remember to check reviews and ask your local community: [www.facebook.com/groups/bwss](http://www.facebook.com/groups/bwss) [www.baby-carriers-downunder.com](http://www.baby-carriers-downunder.com) [www.facebook.com/babywearing](http://www.facebook.com/babywearing) [www.kangacollective.com](http://www.kangacollective.com)

Suppliers:	Website	Brands Stocked
Karri Tree Lane	<a href="http://www.karritreelane.com.au">www.karritreelane.com.au</a>	Olives and Applesauce, Manduca, Yamo, Patapum, Storchenweige
Frangipani Baby	<a href="http://www.frangipanibaby.com.au">www.frangipanibaby.com.au</a>	Ergo, Manduca
Manduca Australia	<a href="http://www.manduca.com.au">www.manduca.com.au</a>	Manduca
Ninky Bear	<a href="http://www.ninkybear.com.au">www.ninkybear.com.au</a>	AngelPack, Tula
Baby Mumma	<a href="http://www.babymumma.com.au">www.babymumma.com.au</a>	Action Baby Carrier
Mum's Little Outlet	<a href="http://www.mumslittleoutlet.com.au">www.mumslittleoutlet.com.au</a>	Ergo, Manduca, AngelPack
Tinoki	<a href="http://www.tinoki.com.au">www.tinoki.com.au</a>	Wompat, Manduca, Emeibaby, Hipababy
Slinghub	<a href="http://www.slinghub.com.au">www.slinghub.com.au</a>	Manduca, Bondolino
Nurture Nest	<a href="http://www.nurturenest.com.au">www.nurturenest.com.au</a>	Ergo, Manduca, Beco
Wear Your Baby	<a href="http://www.wearyourbaby.com.au">www.wearyourbaby.com.au</a>	Beco, Ergo, Boba
Babes in Arms	<a href="http://www.babesinarms.com.au">www.babesinarms.com.au</a>	Ergo
Fertile Mind	<a href="http://www.fertilemind.com.au">www.fertilemind.com.au</a>	Manduca
Beetlebums	<a href="http://www.beetlebums.com.au">www.beetlebums.com.au</a>	Beetlebums
Keoni Slings	<a href="http://keonislings.weebly.com">http://keonislings.weebly.com</a>	Keonislings
Belloborn	<a href="http://www.belloborn.com.au">http://www.belloborn.com.au</a>	Belloborn
Hipababy	<a href="http://www.hipababy.com/">http://www.hipababy.com/</a>	Hipababy
Babies In Space	<a href="http://bok.com/pages/Babies-In-Sp">bok.com/pages/Babies-In-Sp</a>	Babies in Space

### Credits:

Thanks to the community at [www.facebook.com/groups/bwss](http://www.facebook.com/groups/bwss) for participating in putting this comparison sheet together.

Thanks to the vendors for providing information, especially Karen Horowitz, Courtney Holmes, Leah Smileski, Janine Garvey, Beth KTL, Brie Gabrielle and everyone who commented with great ideas on thread for what this comparison should look like.