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BEST ICE SKATES FOR KIDS & TEENS

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HOW TO CHOOSE THE RIGHT ICE SKATES FOR YOUR

Ice skating is not only a great hobby, it's also a great winter sport to partake in. If your child wants to start out on the ice, or if you have a niece, nephew or friend's child that you want to buy ice skates for, read this simple guide to help you decide which skates to buy. Here at SkateHut we're passionate about all things skate and scoot related.

Everything you need to know to help you buy the best ice skates for your child is just a scroll away. Once you're clued up, buying ice skates can easily turn from a complex task into a simple one! Read the tips below to help you choose the perfect ice skates for your child or teenager.

WHAT IS A GOOD AGE TO START ICE SKATING?

Ice skating is a hobby that can be started at almost any age really. For the most effective progression into technical skating, it's ideal to start at a young age. This is often done from as young as 5 or 6.

At SkateHut the smallest ice skate size we have available is a Junior UK size 10 - the [average foot size](#) for a 4 or 5 year old. If you're shopping for a young child, our adjustable skates are ideal for size longevity with growing feet. When young children are grasping the basics on ice skates, it's best to also shop for skates that supply good protection and ankle support. A hard-shell boot won't go amiss! Products like our [SFR Nova Adjustable Ice Skates](#) are great to look into.

WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF ICE SKATES?

We offer three varieties of ice skates at SkateHut:

- Recreational Ice Skates
- Figure Ice Skates
- Ice Hockey Skates

Recreational Ice Skates

The majority of our [SFR range](#) are designed for recreational use. They are ideal for a beginner looking for their first pair of skates. We don't recommend these skates for technical skating. [All SFR skates](#) arrive factory sharpened, however we do offer a sharpening service at all [SkateHut stores](#) for an additional £5 upon purchase.

Figure Ice Skates

For figure ice skates, check out brands like [Graf](#), [Edea](#), [Risport](#) and [Jackson](#). Jackson is the leading model for reliability, comfort and popularity. All these brands do however offer high quality plates, toe picks and blades which will allow for technical spins and skating of any sort.

Ice Hockey Skates

[Ice hockey skates](#) are very different than figure skates. They're usually made from a reinforced plastic or nylon more so than traditional fabrics like leather. Their design is focused more on stronger protection and reduced flexibility, which is required for the sport. Hockey skates also offer a more comfortable fit, and more speed while skating due to the shape and nature of the blade. [Bauer](#) is our leading ice hockey skate brand. We've even converted the unique bauer-boot sizing into standard UK sizing on our website, so you don't have to! We recommend going for the size closest to your normal shoe fit.

WHAT ARE THE BEST ICE SKATES FOR KIDS AND TEENS?

10) [SFR Snowflake Vinyl Figure Ice Skates](#)

Ideal for young beginner skaters. These ice skates are perfect for a child's first time on the Ice. Designed to provide a snug fit and good ankle support



9) [Bauer NSX Ice Hockey Skates](#)

Improved with an extra layer of comfort from the NS skates, these Hockey Skates can assist an excellent first-look into Ice Hockey.



8) SFR Galaxy Ice Skates

These skates are very popular. Available in black and white, SFR Galaxy skates are ideal for recreational skating - great for beginners.



7) Powerslide Playlife Ice Skates

Powerslide Playlife ice skates are perfect for a change of colour on the Ice. This unique pastel shade is also great for standing out!



6) SFR Serene Ice Figure Skates

Newest brand from the SFR range with improved comfort, the SFR Serene ice skates offer a great transition from recreational to the very beginner levels of technical skating.



5) Graf 500 Ice Skates

These swiss-made skates are a great introductory skate for any child doing entry level technical skating. Built to supply a snug fit and plenty of ankle support.



4) Risport Venus Figure Ice Skates

Perfect for figure skating these high quality Risport skates will provide kids and teens with a comfortable feel while carving up the ice!



3) Edea Motivo Figure Ice Skates

This figure skate allow for advancement into intermediate level skating, with a mid stiffness rating. This boot also allows for a custom-foot fit with thermoformable material.



2) Jackson Mystique Figure Skates

The Jackson Mystique Figure Skates are our leading-brand choice of skates. With an added flexibility in design and a leather upper polyurethane coat, it's suitable for all levels of skating including the NISA Skate Course up to badge 10.



1) Edea Overture Figure Skates

The Edea boot is unapologetically top of the line. An ideal choice for a broader foot as it is a little wider in design. The Ultima MK IV Blades come factory sharpened and ready to skate, but we advise that you have these sharpened by us before taking them to the ice.



Interested in getting some ice-skates for your child or teenager? Save some money by checking out our [ice skate bundles](#) - fit with everything you need for a budding ice skater.

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