

The Marauder 🔀 Process Book



THE **PITCH**

If I build a "demo" frame that just happens to be your size, what can we swing for a review?

Kristofer Henry on Fri, Apr 24, 2015 at 12:00 PM

THE **RESPONSE** HELL YES DUDE!

John Watson on Apr 24, 2015, at 1:11 PM

ABOUT THE BUILD

THE MARAUDER is my take on a New England hard tail mountain bike. Traditionally speaking from my point of view, these are low slung, aggressive trail bikes built specifically for the East Coast's technically demanding terrain. Rocks, roots, steep punchy climbs, brutal rock gardens, hair raising descents. The East Coast sports it all and then some. So a platform to match this demanding environment needs realization. This is not to say that The Marauder is exclusive to the East Coast. It takes it's design cues from the terrain. So if any of this sounds familiar, continue reading.

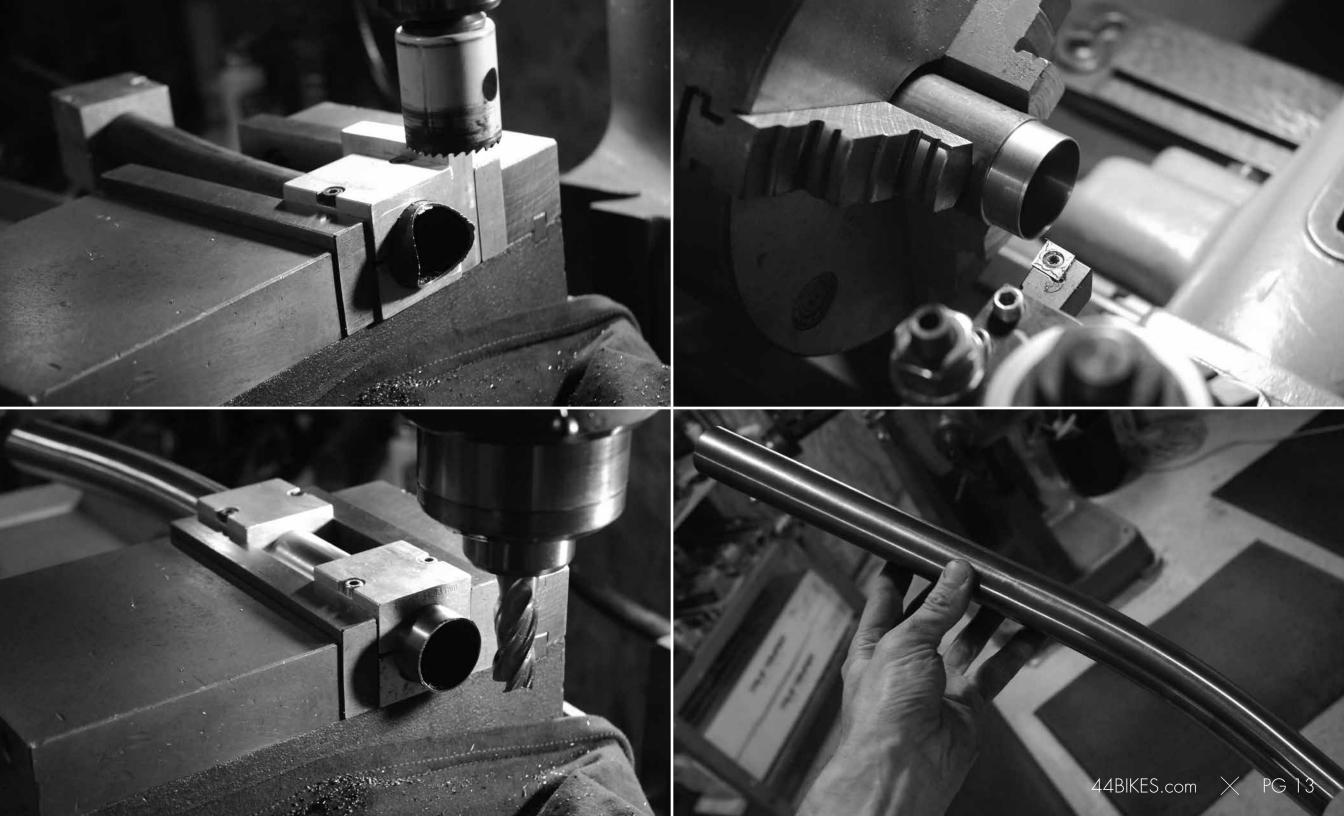
Over the years, this bicycle has taken many forms from many different builders and East Coast specific companies. Thus with over 25 years of experience out on the trails of this locale, the Marauder was born from the pure technical trail experience. Low slung, short stays, aggressive geometry with modern touches like a tapered compatible head tube, radius seat tube, disk brakes, dropper routing, 1x11 drivetrain, 29" wheels and many more details define the Marauder as the quintessential 21st century hard tail mountain bike. Many have left their mark on this icon. This is mine.

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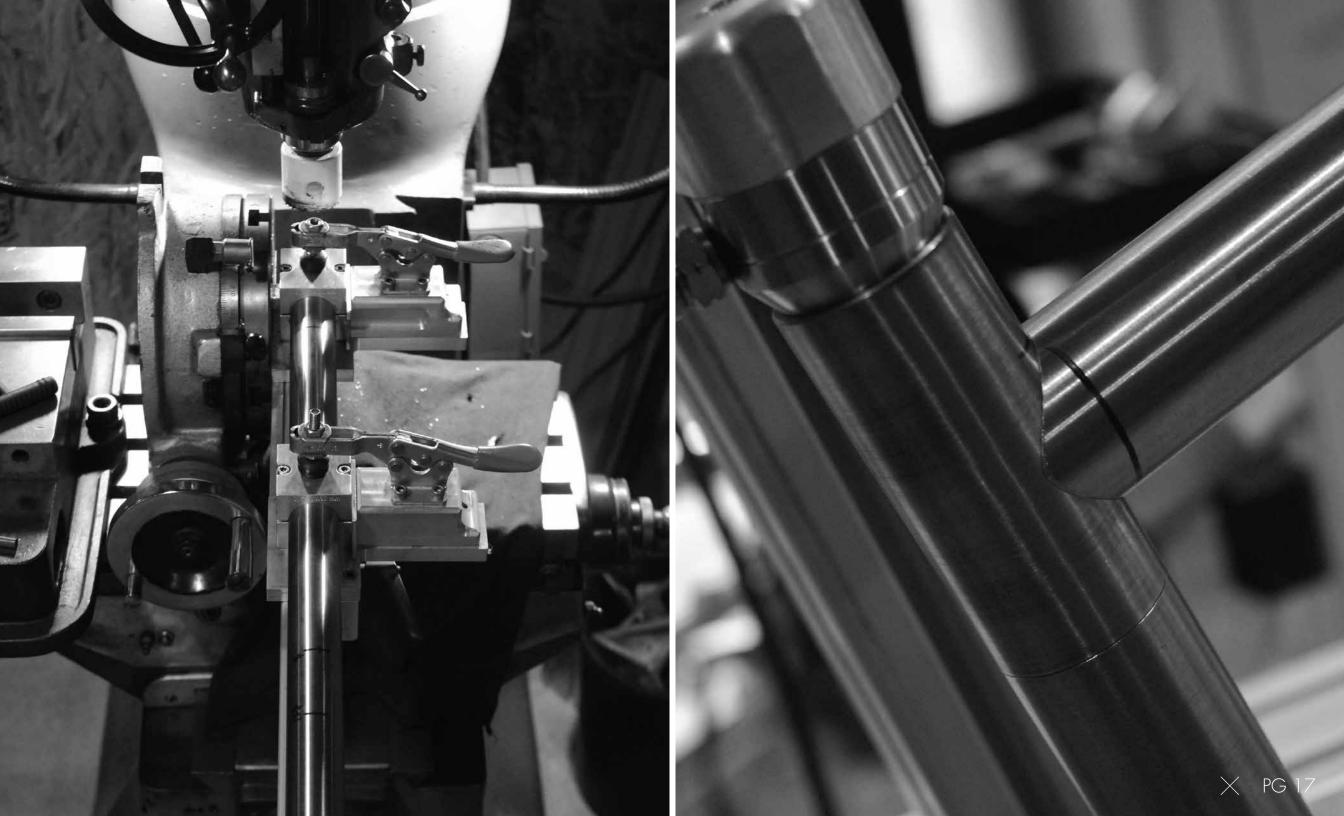
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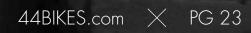




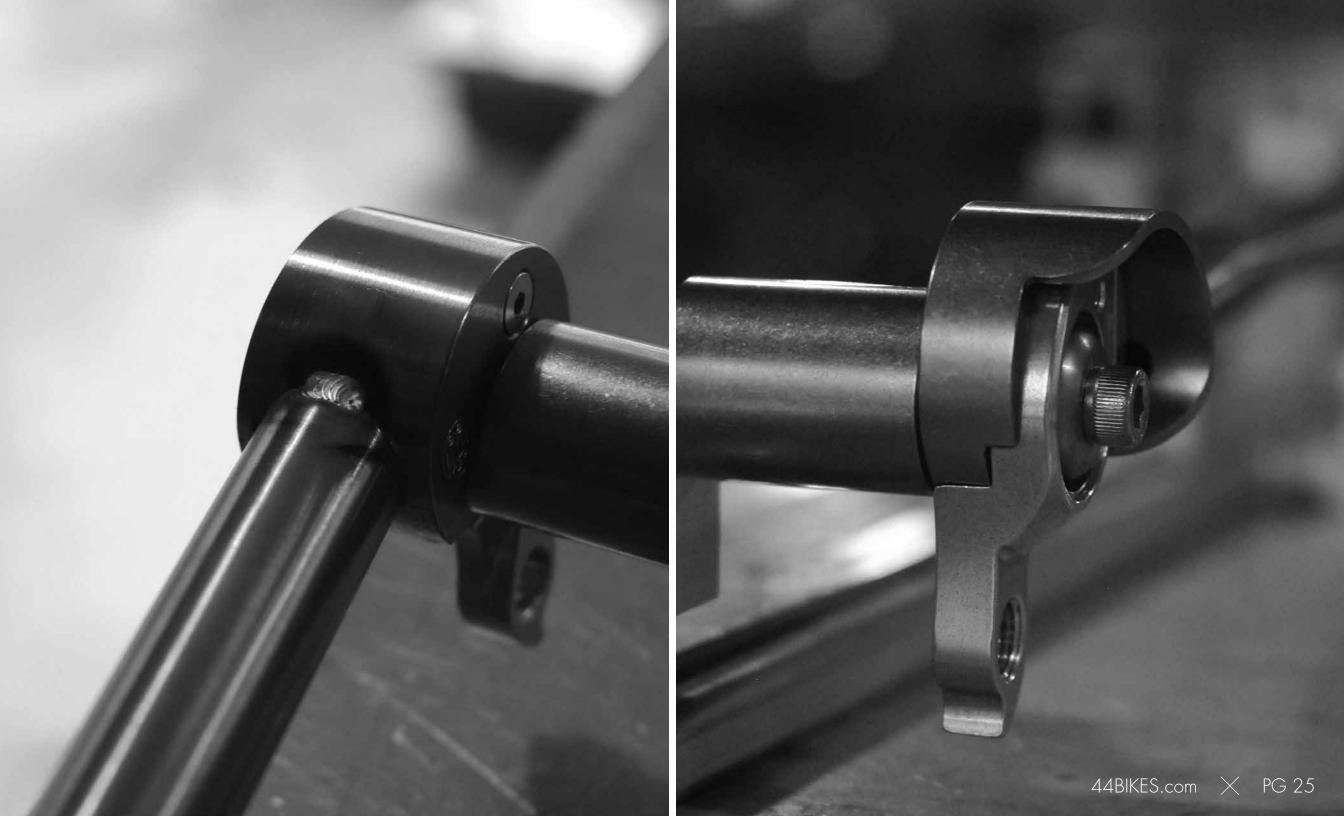


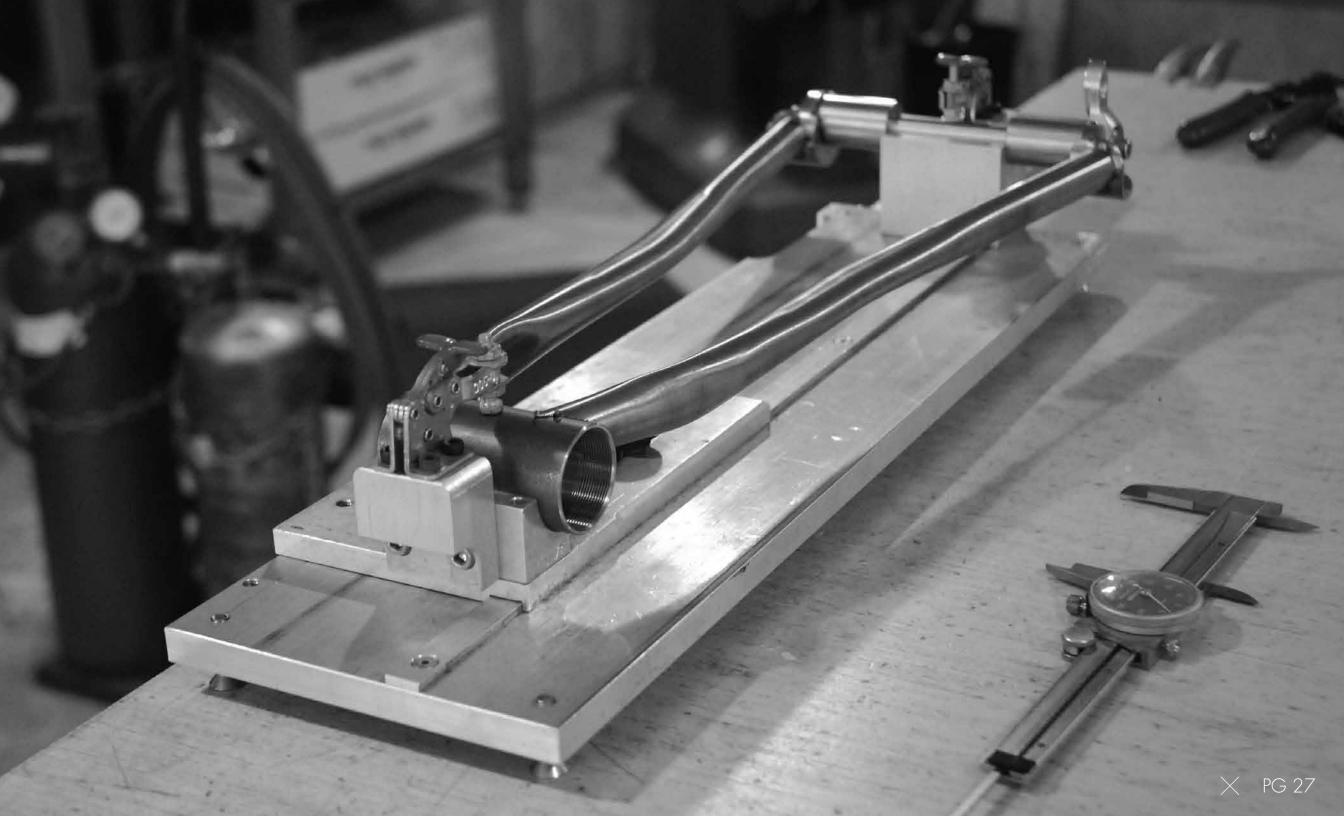






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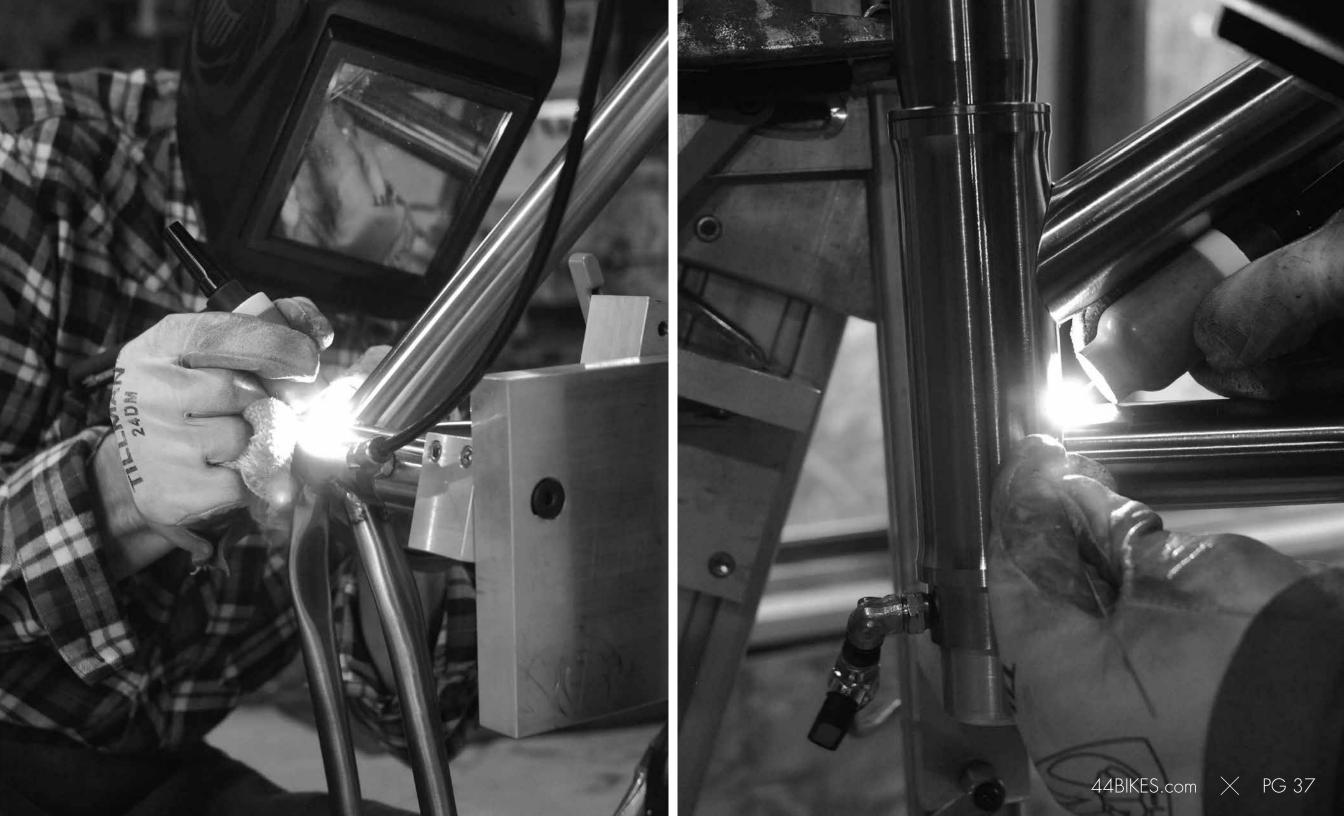




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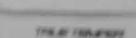












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On Aug 5, 2015, at 12:04 AM: "DUUUUUUUUUE FIRE FIRE FIRE" John's reaction to the studio shots.

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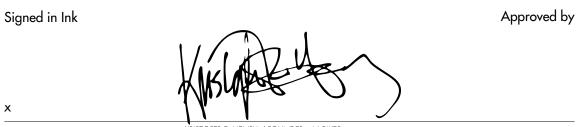


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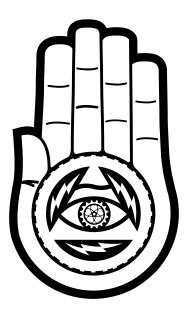
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