

## PRODUCT EVALUATION

# ITP HOLESHOT ATR TIRES & TYPE 7 BEADLOCK WHEELS

More hook-up and stability

*By the hooking-up and occasionally stable staff of Dirt Wheels*



*We outfitted our Rhino UTV with a set of ITP's Holeshots ATR radial tires and their styling Type 7 aluminum rims with reinforcement beadlock rims.*

There are a lot of choices available when it comes time to pick a replacement wheel and tire package for your UTV (Unlimited Terrain Vehicle) or side-by-side. Yamaha's Rhino, Polaris' Ranger and RZR, and Arctic Cat's Prowler UTV's all can stand improvement when it comes time to choose a new wheel and tire package.

One of the more popular choices for replacement rubber and wheels for these side-by-sides are ITP's line of Holeshots and Terracross tires, as well as their wide selection of aftermarket rims.

Since our stock Rhino tires were on the well worn side, we picked up a set of ITP's latest Holeshots ATR radial tires and Type 7 Beadlock wheels to outfit our machine with.

Up front, we bolted on a set of the Holeshots ATR 205/80R12 tires, and a set of 270/60R12 Holeshots went on the back of our silver-streaked steed. Both sets of Holeshots ATR's were mounted on ITP's Type 7 aluminum wheels, with candy blue powder-coated beadlocks mounted on the outside of the rims.

These new Type 7 wheels look great. The T7 Beadlock comes standard with a polished ring, but if you are interested in giving your machine a custom look, the T7 Beadlock's ring is also available in black, blue or red powdercoat finish-



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es. We opted to put the optional (\$34.95 each) blue beadlocks on our wheels. When running lower air pressures in the Holeshots ATR's, the beadlocks are a great way to help keep the tires from rolling on the rims and popping off the beads.

### TESTING. ONE. TWO. THREE

Once we bolted our new wheels and tires onto our Rhino, we headed out to put in some serious test time. We measured the distance from outside wheel to outside wheel and found that with the newer wider offset Type 7 wheels, our tires were a good four inches wider overall on the back of the Rhino (stock width 54.5 inches, mod width 58.5 inches). Up front, the ITP wheels and tires were two inches wider than the stock width (stock 54.5 inches, mod 56.5 inches).



*Our Type 7 beadlock ITP wheels came with their optional sleek "see-through" pearl blue anodized rings. Sweet.*

The wider rear offset (2+5) gave us added stability in the turns and made the machine much more comfortable when sliding. These wider radials also have a much larger contact patch than the stock Rhino tires. This helps with increased traction and better hook-up. The tires held up well in our testing and you should see longer tread life over the stockers.

The Holeshots ATR's are a radial tire and as such offer up a smoother ride with their more flexible sidewalls that help to absorb shock. Since the radials are more pliable, it helps to have the ITP Type 7 beadlock rims installed with these tires.

### CONCLUSIONS

Overall, we were very happy with the improvements in traction, hook-up, and overall handling with this set of wheels and tires installed on our Rhino.

ITP's ATR radial Holeshots and Type 7 beadlock wheels are a great replacement set of meats and metals when it comes time to replace the worn-out stockers on your UTV. They not only hook up and perform better, they look great doing it.

### PRICES

ITP Holeshots ATR 205/80R12 fr.-\$83.95 ea.  
ITP Holeshots ATR 270/60R12 rr.-\$89.95 ea.  
ITP Type 7 beadlock wheels-\$161.95 ea.  
ITP optional powdercoat rings (red, blue, black)-\$28.55 ea.

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