

COOK'S ILLUSTRATED

TESTING TRADITIONAL SKILLETS

RECOMMENDED

GOURMET Standard Tri-Ply
12-Inch Skillet Model ASI1135
Price: \$64.99 Weight: 3.25 lbs
Bottom thickness: 2.59mm
Cooking surface diameter: 9 inches
Height of sides: 2¼ inches



RATINGS

Performance: ★★★
Sauté Speed: ★★★
User-Friendliness: ★★
Durability: ★★

TESTERS' COMMENTS

At half the price of our winner, this skillet browned foods "perfectly well"—though the crêpe test revealed a slightly uneven heat pattern. While its cooking surface is smaller, testers observed that the gentle slope of the sides let food spread out nicely. The balance was slightly off, with weight overly concentrated in the pan. When whacked, the body dented.

- **Gourmet Standard 12" Skillet: \$64.99, item #GST1152, Cookware.com (888-478-4606, www.cookware.com).**