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FirstLook | Vision Aids — Magnification Loupes

Panoramic Loupes

Manufacturer

Designs for Vision

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Prices

\$2,595.00-\$2,645.00

Includes:

- Frame
- Carrying case
- Side shields
- Retainer strap

Options:

- UV filter: \$100.00
- Titanium or fashion frames: \$100.00

Free Trial

45 days

Warranty

Limited lifetime



Did you ever wish you could see an entire dental arch at once, but at a highly magnified view? Well, the clever folks at Designs For Vision (DVI) have made your wish come true. The new Panoramic Loupes, which are available in 3.5x and 4.5x, are the first of their kind in dentistry. Using a breakthrough in telescopic design, the Panoramics figure to be a paradigm shift in dental magnification.

Our preview loupes were 4.5x and the field of vision is quite simply amazing compared to even the 4.5EF (expanded field) version we previously evaluated, earning 5 Stars. We were able to literally see an entire arch, whereas the 4.5EF allows you to see four teeth, which is still impressive at this power.

The Panoramic loupes have the same general ovoid shaped telescopes as the EF to increase your peripheral vision. Mounted on a cool navy blue Steam frame and with the side shields attached, they weighed 4.5oz/

127.6g on our digital scale. While this weight cannot be considered feather-like, they really don't feel heavier than other prism loupes with similar magnification levels.

As usual from DVI, the optics and resolution are excellent, along with true 4.5x magnification. And our preview loupes arrived and fit perfectly without even one adjustment!

They come to you safely sequestered in the familiar DVI silver and matte black plastic case lined with antimicrobial black foam. The case has a secure fastener that keeps the loupes well protected. The term "game changer" may be overused in the popular vernacular, but these loupes deserve the descriptor. Viewing an entire arch at 4.5x feels a little strange at first and if you use a headlight, it also has to have a wide spot or you will have shadows at the outer edges of the field of vision. Nevertheless, if you have held off going up in magnification due to the limited field of vision, the Panoramics may be your ticket to ride.





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