

The Importance Of Loupes

The loupe — the iconic jeweler’s tool. Quickly inspect and appraise a stone, or easily share a magnified view with a customer while explaining or consulting. We carry a full range of loupes from brands such as Carl Zeiss®, Bausch + Lomb, GemOro®, and Hastings.

Featured Loupes FROM THE GEMOLOGICAL ISSUE



Feature	29-1300	29-2606	29-6050	29-6505	29-6500	29-4769	29-4732	29-4731	13-1840
Magnification	10X	10X	20X	n/a	10X	10X	20X	20X	10X-500X
Lens Type	Single Lens	Triplet	Triplet	Color Filter	Triplet	Single Lens	Triplet	Triplet	Microscopic
Working Distance	1"	1"	.5"	n/a	1"	1"	n/a	n/a	1"-4"
Price	\$19.00	\$111.25	\$20.00	\$35.50	\$52.95	\$44.95	\$59.95	\$48.95	\$279.00

Features EXPLAINED

Magnification: How many times the lens can magnify the view of an object

Lens Type: Style of the lens inside the loupe

Working Distance: The distance that should be kept between the loupe and object that is being observed

Working Distance EXPLAINED

We asked Tools Product Director Jason LeMaire for a quick explanation of how to determine working distance with a loupe. He simplified it with this example —

“The least distance of focus is different for every person. You can measure it by holding a ruler next to your eye (pointing away from you and the zero position lined up with your eye), then place the nail of your thumb (from the other hand) close in front of your eye. Close your other eye. You will notice that your fingernail is out of focus. Now slowly slide your thumb along the

ruler until the nail of your thumb is in sharp focus. Read the value of the ruler where the focus is full and that is your personal least distance of focus.”



The Tool Guy Talks

“Higher magnification loupes will help you view finer details, but they reduce the working distance.”

- Andy Kroungold
Stuller Bench Director



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