

EYEBALL

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Thank you for your purchase of the Eyeball, the first USB webcam with both HD audio and video.

The Eyeball has been designed to be used in a variety of positions, from mounting on the top of most laptops to sitting on a desk or other raised surface. To open the Eyeball from its protective travel container, just grasp the opposite ends of the container and gently pull them apart. The Eyeball can now be set up in a variety of positions, as shown in the pictures below.



ON A LAPTOP



ON A DESKTOP



OR ANYWHERE!

When you're ready to take the Eyeball on the road, simply retract the Eyeball's camera (more on that in a minute), coil the USB cable back inside the housing and snap both pieces back together. Presto! The Eyeball is ready to go mobile!



Note: When transporting or storing the Eyeball, rotate the head down, so that the metal grill faces into the Eyeball's container (this will keep dust and debris from interfering with the Eyeball's sensitive audio components). Keep the Eyeball away from intense heat and moisture!

The Eyeball is shipped with its retractable camera in the open position. To close the camera, hold the Eyeball's head with one hand and push the camera extension in with your finger until it clicks shut. To bring the camera out again, gently push in on the end of the extension and the camera will spring back out to its open position. The Eyeball's head can swivel in almost any direction, but be careful not to overtwist the Eyeball, as this can lead to excessive wear and void your warranty.



For mounting the Eyeball onto monitors thicker than the Eyeball's reach, use the handy included monitor adapter. Just slip the adapter as shown over the back of the Eyeball until it's snug with the back of the monitor, and you're all set to go!



Now that you're familiar with the Eyeball's setup, here's a quick guide to hooking it up with your computer.

Before you begin, please make sure you that your computer uses Windows Vista, Windows XP/SP2, or Mac OS 10.4.11 or higher.

- 1** Connect the Eyeball using the included USB cable to a USB port on your computer. The small end of the USB cable goes into the back of the head of the Eyeball, while the larger end goes into your computer's USB port.
- 2** Position the Eyeball on top of your computer monitor, on your desktop, or wherever it can capture an image of you
- 3** Your computer will automatically detect the Eyeball and load the appropriate drivers
- 4** Restart your computer, and the Eyeball is ready to go! The Eyeball is instantly ready to use with such popular software applications as *Skype, iChat, ooVoo, Windows Live Messenger, AOL, Yahoo, Google Talk*, and more.
- 5** Once you have chosen the software application to use with the Eyeball, position the Eyeball's video camera to capture the best image of you, live and on-screen!

TIPS FOR USE

- For best results, use the Eyeball in a quiet controlled space, where loud background noise can be kept at a minimum, to best capture your voice.
- The Eyeball's microphone can be used for much more than just chatting – try recording your favorite instrument, or perhaps your best solo. Experiment with the distance between the microphone and the sound source for optimal results – the Eyeball is tuned for moderate conversational volumes at a distance of 1-2 feet (0.3-0.6m). For louder sources, try increasing the distance to the Eyeball or adjusting the system input volume of the Eyeball.

TIPS FOR USE continued

- Like any webcam, the Eyeball is sensitive to lighting conditions. The video image may not appear as clear in dark or over exposed conditions. Experiment with your room's lighting and the positioning of the Eyeball for best results.
- Try positioning your Eyeball around eye-level, with the light source above the camera, for a sharp, well-lit image.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- Q:** Do I need to install any drivers to use my Eyeball?
A: No. The Eyeball is designed to be simple. You can use it with any video host program which recognizes and accepts USB webcams.
- Q:** Why is my Eyeball so sensitive to light?
A: The Eyeball utilizes an "Auto Adjustment" feature for best performance in a wide range of lighting conditions. As a result, when you open or expose the Eyeball to new lighting, allow about 10 seconds for the camera to adjust to your new lighting conditions.
- Q:** How can I maximize the video quality of my Eyeball?
A: Depending on the version of software you are using with the Eyeball, you may be able to adjust the brightness, contrast, and saturation. Check your software's documentation for further details.
- Q:** How do I adjust the input volume of the Eyeball's audio?
A: Access your computer's audio settings located in the Control Panel (XP & Vista) or System Preferences (Mac) to adjust the Eyeball's microphone input level.

For more information and the latest news on the Eyeball, please visit us at:

<http://www.bluemic.com/products/eyeball>

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