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Scanners for Macintosh Computers

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TOPIC-----

Do you have a list of available scanners that can scan color slides in 35mm, 6x4, and 6x6 formats? Whether the scanner is a flatbed, a video camera or other doesn't matter.

DISCUSSION-----

We located three scanners that have transparency scanning capabilities. They are the Sharp JX-450, the Howtek Scanmaster, and the Truvel TruScan TZ-3T family.

Using a video camera to scan flat objects usually induces a small amount of curvature due to the camera lens optics. This is not noticeable when a video camera is used for scanning three-dimensional objects. However, the curvature may become unacceptable when used with two-dimensional items.

Most people feel that using the transparency to create a high-quality photographic print and then scanning the print on a color, flatbed scanner to be a more efficient method. The Howtek Scanmaster, Truvel's TruScan TZ-3C family, and the Sharp JX-300 or JX-450 work well with this technique.

For more details, search the Tech Info Library under "Truvel," "Howtek," and "Sharp."

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