

Yoyomotion PalmViewer LT71: The smallest mini projector

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Review:

With 80 grams, this tiny USB-powered mini projector is the smallest in its category, but then PalmViewer LT71 does not offer many extras in terms of functionality either. On the other hand, it can't be easier than this.

We have already seen the second generation Pico-projectors from several manufacturers, and just when we thought the trend was to push in as much features and settings as possible, we got this little gadget to our editor.

PalmViewer LT71 from Stockholm-based Yoyomotion is a super slim mini projector that you connect directly to the PC via USB cable.



Not for Mac Users

Since the projector is powered by the USB cable there is no need for a built-in battery, thereby the manufacturer has succeeded in bringing down the weight to just 80 grams. At the same time this also means that the quality perception is not at it's best, it is plastic. But on

the other hand, we estimate that it neither takes up more room, nor is heavier, than a computer mouse, which you may carry in the laptop bag anyway.



The projector connects to your computer, or rather to your PC. Currently, there are regrettably no drivers for Mac. Installing it on our test PC, however, was swift and slick and very soon an additional screen appeared in the Display Settings of the PC. As soon as the PalmViewer LT71 is plugged into the USB port (or rather ports, two plugs are used to secure the power supply) the screen resolution is lowered to 640x480, and we get a cloned image on our white wall.

The brightness is specified at 10 ANSI Lumen and the picture is about as bright, or rather as pale, as from other LED-based models in the same segment. Nothing you pull up in a larger format than about 20 inches in a bright room. But when we turn down the lights in the conference room we can easily view PowerPoint presentations of 40-50 inches with good sharpness. The colors, however, are somewhat weak and are not quite at the same level as for instance the Mpro120 from 3M, but then we are talking about a different target group and twice the price.

Spot-on in small conference rooms

The projector comes with a tripod stand, a USB cable, an installation CD and a simple manual, and for the package you pay 1 995 kronor. Not so expensive, even though we talk much fewer features than most competitor models we've tested. If you often sit in small meetings and spin your laptop around for colleagues to follow, then the Palm Viewer LT71 is clearly a spot-on accessory to your PC. And above all, the slim format shows how easy it would be for laptop manufacturers to build in a mini projector directly into the computer.

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*Super easy to use
Lightweight and slick*

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*Does not work with Mac
Somewhat pale colors*

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A super simple and extremely lightweight mini projector that provides a perfectly OK image in dim and smaller meeting rooms.

Shape / Design: 8
Image Quality: 6
Features / Connections: 5
Ease of use: 9
Price Value: 7

Total: 7

FACTS

Yoyomotion PalmViewer LT71

Price: 1 995 kr

Manufacturer: Yoyomotion, www.yoyomotion.com

Retailer: The Phone House

Connectivity: USB

Brightness: 10 ANSI Lumen

Light source: White LED

Projector type: LCoS

Aspect ratio: 4:3

Resolution: 640x480

Controls: Manual focus

Color: White, black

Dimensions: 62x90x20 mm

Weight: 80 grams