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Nikon Archer's Choice bowhunting rangefinder

Frank Berbuir gives his personal opinion on one of Nikon's latest bowhunting accessories.

The Nikon Archer's Choice is a compact, vertical, angle-compensating bowhunting rangefinder. It comes in a slick neoprene case that holds it in perfect position for one-hand use. It features an 18-millimetre eye relief with multicoated optics and 6X magnification. It is water as well as fog proof.

With only two modes – line-of-sight and angle-compensated – the *Archer's Choice* is simple and easy to handle and to read. One push of the button switches modes, and you have only one number in front of your eye. This eliminates any potential for confusion.

The archer's Choice does not tell you the actual angle, just the line-of-sight distance or the ballistic-compensated horizontal distance, depending on the mode. It runs on one three-volt CR-2 lithium battery.

According to the factory specs it ranges from minimum 4,57 metres to maximum 91,44 metres (5 to 100

yards). However, when I tested the minimum and maximum distances on mine it ranged from 3.8 metres to 142 metres.

The unit is olive green in colour and the neoprene case is Realtree APG. It weighs only 240 grammes with the battery, case and strap included. I like this unit and it was a good supporting device during my last bowhunt.

More information is available at http://www.nikonhunting.com.



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Specifications:

Dimensions: 1,5 x 2,7 x 5,1 inches *Weight:* 6,3 ounces without battery

Magnification: six times

Scan: yes

Modes: line-of-sight and angle-compensated

Battery: three-volt CR-2 lithium Maximum range LOS: 100 yards

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Inclination range: plus/minus 90 degrees *Minimum range:* five yards

Orientation: vertical

