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Why These Vaporizers Win The Popularity Contest

Dried flower enthusiasts are loving these vaporizers right now – but what's so special about these higher price tag gadgets?

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There are many things to consider when buying a cannabis flower **vaporizer**: oven dimension, heating element, temperature control, overall size and price point. Add these considerations to the sheer number of products on the market and it would make any flower enthusiast's head spin (and not in the good way).

Here's a roundup of five of the most popular models out there on the market right now, and why weed lovers and medical consumers alike are investing in this kind of new gear.

Arizer Solo 2: Bang for your buck



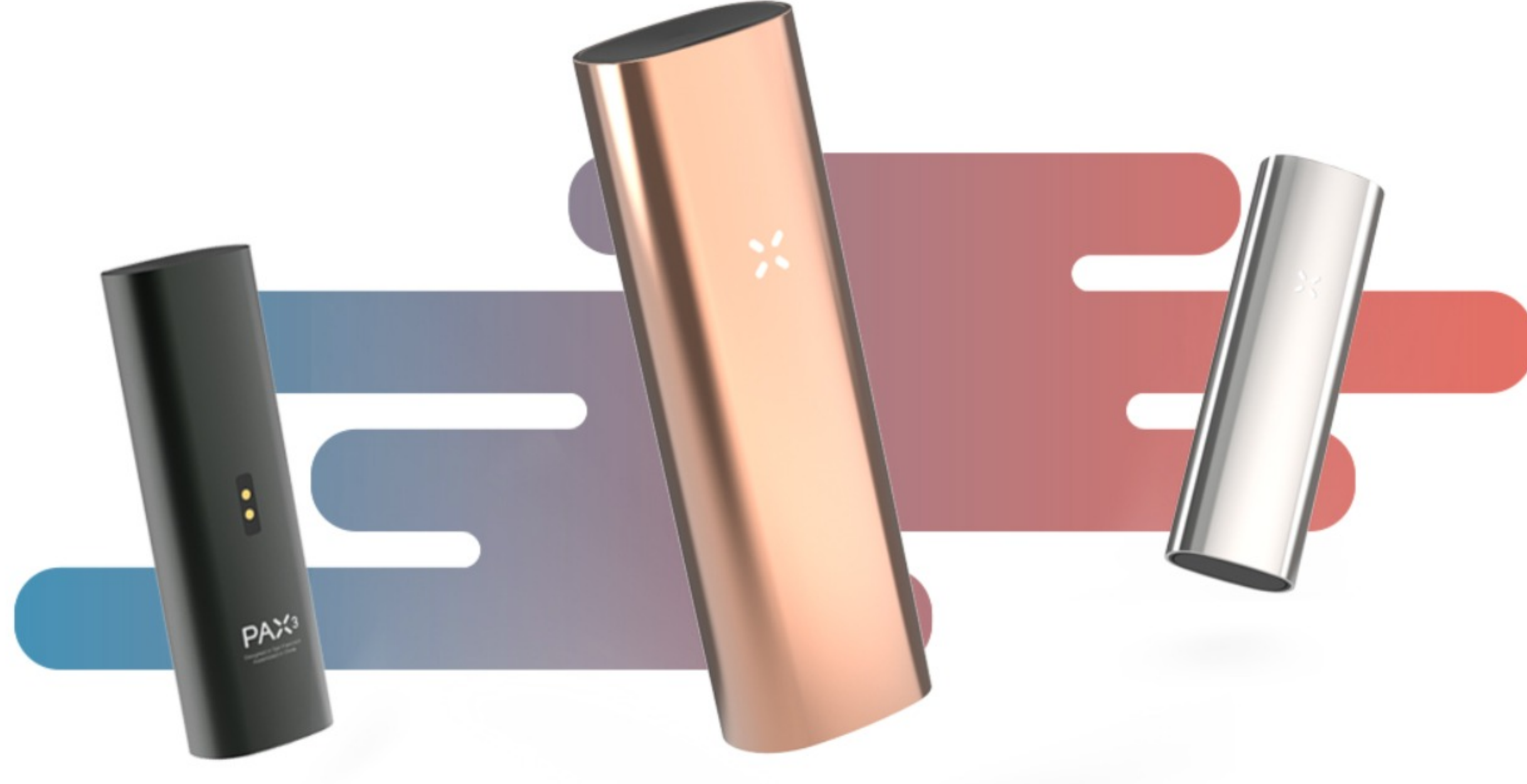
The Canadian-made and conduction-based Arizer Solo 2 is loved for its good vapour quality and impressive battery life, which clocks in at three hours. It also offers precise temperature control and quality craftsmanship, all at a reasonable middle-of-the-road price point. One drawback on the Solo is that it's not as light and sleek as other models and requires a glass stem, which knocks off a few points on the portability scale. It sells for about \$250.

Volcano: The classic at-home vaporizer



Having hit the market in 2000, the Volcano is one of the original desktop models known for its iconic detachable balloon chamber and convection heating. With many imitators on the market, the Volcano's popularity is still going strong today, with many vape enthusiasts vowing it's the best. The Classic model has nine heat settings and is a lower price point than its sister model, the Digit, which has a large screen and precise temperature control. Prices range from \$479 - \$599.

Pax 3: Sleek, sexy and highly portable



The Pax 3 is a sexy, light and discreet (read: small) conduction vaporizer that can be used with both dry-herb and concentrates. While most vape enthusiasts prefer convection heating, the trade-off with the Pax 3 is its high portability, ease of use and easy-to-clean stainless steel components. The Pax 3 also boasts customizable features and controls via its smartphone app. Prices range from \$259.99 - \$319.99.

DaVinci IQ: The new cool kid on the block



The DaVinci IQ is a stylish, design-minded vaporizer that is loved for its excellent performance, quality components, precise temperature control and portability (it can be palmed by most average sized hands).

Many would argue that its conduction technology coupled with the ceramic zirconia chamber and mouthpiece produces a vapour that's on par with many convection models. It boasts two mouthpiece options (recessed and raised), glass spacers for half-oven packing, and customizable settings with the smartphone app. It sells for \$274.99

Uttillian 721: Convection at an affordable price



The Uttillian 721 offers the quality vapour and flavour of convection heating without a lot of features that can drive price-point up. This is what makes it an excellent option for vape enthusiasts who want convection technology at an affordable price.

It is relatively small and portable, and offers eight temperature control settings with a "boost mode" that will raise the base temperature by five degrees. It also features an easy-to-use one button control and easy-to-clean stainless steel oven. Plus, the Uttillian 721 is Canadian-made and can be used with dry-herb and concentrates. It retails for about \$219.



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