Transparent Insulation Collector

Best ROI for cold climate and industrial heat



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TIGI makes an advanced new breed of flat plate solar thermal collector - the Honeycomb Collector. Using proprietary transparent insulation technology, our collector generates more heat, for the least cost of ALL solar thermal solutions!

- Technology transparent insulation allows solar radiation in, blocks losses
- Performance most year round heat of ALL flat and vacuum collectors per m²
- Markets cold climate domestic hot water, space heating and industrial process heat
- Lowest cost smallest array, mid-range price per m² leads to lowest solution cost
- · Longevity collector-level overheating prevention and sealed case design
- Low maintenance never reach glycol cracking temperatures
- Components double sided AR glass, selective coated absorber, laser welded
- · Winner of multiple industry awards including the Intersolar award
- Solar Keymark certified by SPF and field proven

The Challenge that Solar Thermal Collectors Face

When solar thermal collectors work at high temperature differential from the ambient, they lose energy to the environment, resulting in reduced performance. Most losses of flat collectors occur where they have no thermal insulation - on the side facing the sun. TIGI solved this problem using transparent insulation.

The Principle of Using Transparent Insulation



1. Sunlight passes through the TI, heating the absorber

2. The TI layer suppresses convection and back radiation heat losses



X= ΔT / G

The graph shows the advantage of the honeycomb collector over high-end vacuum and flat collectors in almost all climate and application scenarios.

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Technology that ensures safety and long life of performance

Overheating prevention - the Honeycomb Collector uses an internal closed loop heat-pipe to eliminate overheating, reducing stagnation temperature from 250°C to 130°C. This patented technology dramatically simplifies implementation of systems and safeguards system integrity.

Hermetically sealed case - pressure-neutralized internal breathing eliminates accumulation of humidity and dust inside the collector, improving long term performance.



limiting energy losses to a minimum.

Technical Specifications

Dimensions			
Overall dimensions (LxWxH)	2028x1028x180 mm		
Gross area	2.084 m ²		
Aperture aera	1.8 m ²		
Absorber area	1.8 m ²		
Glazing - highly transparent anti reflection glass	t=96%		
Weight	52 kg		
Fluid volume	1L		
Inlet and outlet dimensions	22 mm		
Mounting			
Recommended inclination	20-90°		
Test report			
Performance test report	EN12975:2006		
Quality test report			
Stagnation temperature with overheating prevention	<130 °C		
Stagnation temperature without O.P.D.	250 °C		
Maximum operating pressure	8 bar		
Flow rate (Rated)	120 L/h		
Heat transfer fluid	Water/Glycol		
Operating data			
Efficiency (DIN 4757-4)			
Ŋo	0.803		
a ₁	2.4 W/m²K		
a ₂	0.0058 W/m ² K ²		
Incident angle modifier	0.91		



Competitive Advantages:

Honeycomb Vs. Flat plate & Evacuated tube

	Honeycomb	Flat Plate	Evacuated tube
Efficiency at high ΔT applications	1	X	1
Useful life	1	1	X
Cost effectiveness	1	1	X
Resilience in tough conditions	1	1	X
Performance in frost and snow	1	X	X
Sealed collector avoiding internal dust	1	X	1
Prevents overheating	1	X	X



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