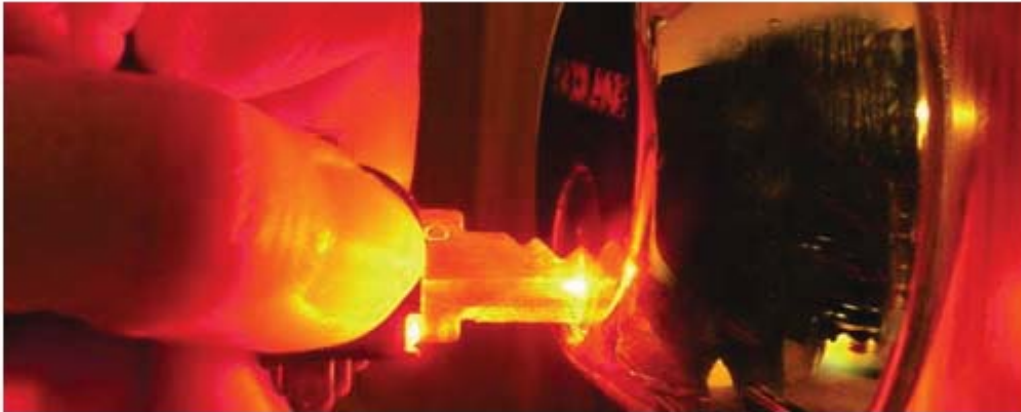


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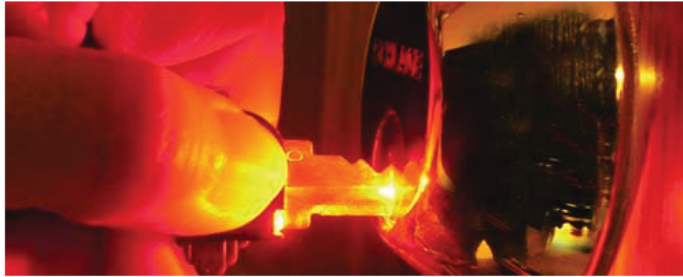
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The LED is activated by pressing and holding the button on the top of the NanoLite. It has a lithium battery inside, with a shelf life of up to 10yrs and an operating life up to three years.



To install it, you just peel off the sticker from the back of the NanoLite and press it on to your key. It is suggested that you allow the adhesive set for 2hrs before using the light.

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I've been using the NanoLite on one of my keys for the past week or so. I keep my keys in my coat pocket and I wasn't sure that the NanoLite would stay stuck to the key due to rubbing against the other keys in my pocket. But after a week, it's still there... I even tried to pull it off, but gave up because I didn't want to destroy it. The adhesive is very strong and I don't think that little light is coming off any time soon.



You might be wondering why the NanoLite's LED is Red instead of a more typical bright White. It's because Red is supposed to be better for night vision. The beam is bright and Red or not, I doubt you'll have any trouble finding the keyhole when using it. The best thing about the NanoLite is that it doesn't require an extra hand to hold it like a more typical flashlight. You use the same hand holding the key to press the button as you insert it in the lock to open it.

The only thing I would like to see improved is the thickness of the NanoLite. As is, I wouldn't want to install them on all of my keys because it would make things pretty bulky.

All in all, the NanoLite is one of those simple products that causes a person to say "Why didn't I think of that?"