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Subject: Re: file\_search windows problem  
Posted by [R.G. Stockwell](#) on Wed, 14 May 2003 14:27:29 GMT  
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"Jacques Basson" <basson@cyclopsNoSpAmnu.ac.za> wrote in message  
news:1052909384.778379@osprey.und.ac.za...

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In some circles it would be called a "feature" rather than a bug... I was hoping that there may be a more elegant solution than searching the returned array, but I'll go with that for now.

Thanks,  
Jacques

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