

BIG GRIP

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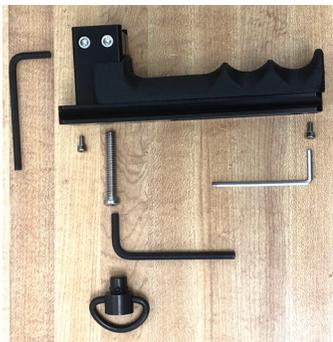
Instructions for:

Sony 100-400, Sony 200-600,
Sony 600 F4, Canon 100-400,
Nikon 500



Thank you for purchasing the **PGD BIG GRIP**™. You will soon appreciate how much easier it is to carry and hold your camera rig in addition to the built in Quick Release capability for your favorite strap. Since the **PGD BIG GRIP** also has ARCA style rail geometry built into the handle you have the option of using your **PGD BIG GRIP** equipped rig on your tripod without changing anything!

Installation Instructions



Your Big Grip includes three Allen keys, 5/32", (or 3mm for Canon), 9/64", and 2.5mm.

No other tools are needed to install the Big Grip.

1. Start by removing the factory foot from the lens collar. Refer to your lens manual if you are unsure of how it is done.

No tools are required.



2. Do a trial fit of the Big Grip on the male dovetail of the lens collar. It should slide on easily or with a very modest push. The 1/4-20 threaded hole in the lens collar needs to line up with the screw hole in the Big Grip pedestal.



3. Insert the long bolt into the bottom of the Big Grip and use the Allen key provided to turn and engage the threaded hole in the lens collar. You may need to slide the Big Grip on the dove tail a small amount back and forth for the bolt to find the hole. It should screw in easily. If any binding is felt STOP and restart the process.

Continue to turn the screw until it just begins to tighten.



4. Using the mid size Allen key, snug up the two side clamp screws until any perceived looseness of the Big Grip on the lens collar goes away. Lightly tighten one, then the other. Do a final tighten on the first then the second.

5. Now go back to the larger Allen, key and do a final firm tightening of the mount bolt.

The included small M3 screws are safety screws go on the bottom of the Big Grip, one at each end, to prevent sliding out of a tripod head in the event you do not tighten the ball head adequately. Installation of these screws is optional, but recommended. Use the smallest Allen Key in the kit, (2.5mm), if you wish to install them. Please see the Warning note below.

To use the QD release, securely attach the QD release to your preferred camera strap. To insert the QD release into the Big Grip, you need to press the center button on the QD while pushing it fully into the same hole you used for the long mount bolt. Then release the button. Practice this process! Always give a quick tug on the QD strap to make sure it is engaged before allowing the full weight of the camera and lens to bear on the QD. The QD is a very reliable device as long as it is properly inserted into the hole! Press the QD center button to release it from the Big Grip while securely gripping Big Grip.

WARNING! Use of the QD release is a user option. Failure to use the QD properly or attach it securely to your strap can lead to damage of your gear which we accept no responsibility! Use at your own risk! This also applies to the tripod mount safety screws noted above if you choose not to install them.

Contact Photo Gear Designs if you have installation questions: sales@photogd.info

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Additional Instructions for:
Sony 600 F4 (with adapter)



1. Using the 3mm Allen wrench provided, remove the factory foot from the lens collar.
2. Use the same screws to attach the PGD 203003 Big Grip Adapter.
3. Orient the Adapter, as shown in the picture.
4. Finally, tighten the screws.

To mount your Big Grip, refer to the other side of these instructions.