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Product Information

The Zenmuse X5 is a high-performance, robust gimbal and camera system with an M4/3 interchangeable lens. It features a Type 4/3 CMOS sensor that supports video recording in 4K and captures 16MP still photos. The camera can be mounted onto designated DJI devices, such as the Inspire 1. The Zenmuse X5 lens kit includes the DJI MFT 15mm f/1.7 ASPH lens, which provides a 72-degree field of view and a manually adjustable aperture range of f/1.7 to f/16. It supports burst shooting, AEB (Auto Exposure Bracketing), time-lapse photography in JPEG and DNG RAW formats, and video output in MP4 and MOV formats. Live HD video from the camera can be viewed on a mobile device through the DJI GO app.

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Using this manual

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Before Flight

Read the following documents before using the Zenmuse X5:

- 1. Zenmuse X5 In the Box
- 2. Zenmuse X5 User Manual
- 3. Zenmuse X5 Safety Guidelines and Disclaimer

Check that all of the items are included in the package. We recommend that you watch all tutorial videos on the official DJI website and read the Disclaimer and Safety Guidelines before you fly. Refer to the User Manual for more detailed information.

Watch the video tutorials

Please watch the tutorial videos at the link below, which demonstrates how to use Zenmuse X5 safely: http://www.dji.com/product/zenmuse-x5s/video



Product Profile

Overview

The Zenmuse X5 offers advanced photographers a high-performance, robust gimbal and camera system with an M4/3 interchangeable lens. The Type 4/3 CMOS sensor supports video recording in 4K and 16MP still photos. It can be mounted onto designated DJI devices such as the Inspire 1. The Zenmuse X5 lens kit comes with the DJI MFT 15mm f/1.7 ASPH that provides a 72-degree field of view and a manually adjustable f/1.7-f/16 aperture range. The camera can shoot burst, AEB or time-lapse in JPEG and DNG RAW, and output video in MP4 and MOV formats. Live HD video from the camera can be viewed on your mobile device through the DJI GO app . The 3-axis gimbal provides an incredibly stable platform for the camera to capture clear shots even during high speed maneuvers. The gimbal tilts the camera across a -90° to +30° pitch angle and pans a full 360 degrees, independent of its carrier's movement.

In the Box

Check that all of the following items are in your package. If any items are missing, please contact DJI or your local dealer.

Gimbal and Camera Body ×1

DJI MFT 15mm f/1.7 ASPH Lens* ×1 Balancing Ring* ×1







Lens Hood* x1

16GB Micro SD Card ×1

Manuals







ZENMUSE X5 In the Box

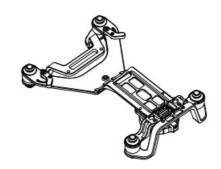
ZENMUSE X5 Disclaimer and Safety Guidelines

The original lens, balancing ring and lens hood are only included in the Zenmuse X5 lens kit. Accessories for other supported lenses can be purchased separately on the DJI Store.

Optional Accessories

The Zenmuse X5 can be mounted on the Inspire 1 aircraft with the following accessory which is available on the DJI Store.

Inspire 1 Gimbal Mounting Plate ×1



Components

Zenmuse X5 Gimbal and Camera

Pan Motor

Gimbal Connector

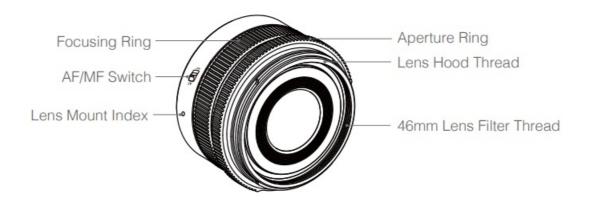
Micro SD Card Slot/Micro USB Port

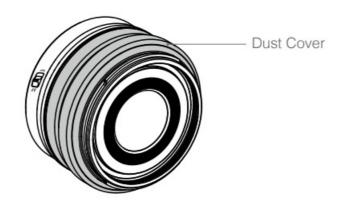
Lens Lock

Lens Mount Index

- Lens Release Button

DJI MFT 15mm f/1.7 ASPH Lens





Getting Started

Read the information below before setting up your Zenmuse X5

• Supported Devices

The Zenmuse X5 can be attached to the following device: DJI Inspire 1

• Supported Lenses for the Inspire 1

- The Zenmuse X5 currently supports the following lenses, and will support more lenses in the future.
- DJI MFT 15mm f/1.7 ASPH
- Panasonic Lumix G Leica DG Summilux 15mm f/1.7 ASPH
- Olympus M.Zuiko Digital ED 12mm f/2.0
- Olympus M.Zuiko 17mm f1.8 (Balancing ring will be available on the DJI Store soon)

Supported Filters

Filters must have a weight of 7-11 g, with those weighing 10-11 g performing the best. Outside this range, the filter will decrease gimbal performance. DJI MFT 15mm f/1.7 ASPH supports filters with a size of 46mm. The Balancing Ring must be installed on the camera lens when a filter is not used.

Supported Micro SD Cards

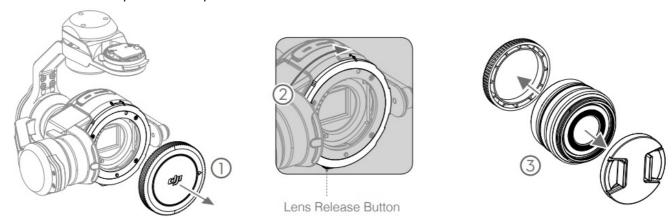
The Zenmuse X5 comes with a 16GB Micro SD card, but also supports Micro SD cards with a capacity of up to 64GB. We recommend using a UHS-1 Micro SD card to minimize the delay when reading and writing high resolution video data.

DO NOT remove the Micro SD card from the Zenmuse X5 when it is powered on.

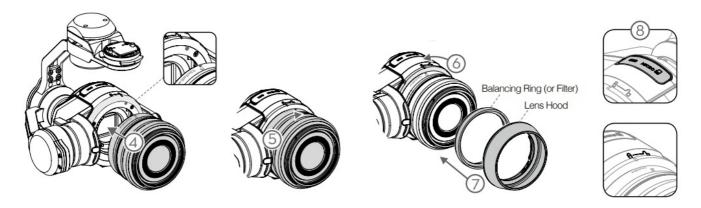
Installing the Camera Lens

The following steps use the DJI MFT 15mm f/1.7 ASPH as illustration of how to mount the camera lens to the camera body. Be sure to power off the battery before installation.

- 1. Remove the camera body cap.
- 2. While holding down the Lens Release Button, rotate the Lens Lock clockwise to unlock it.
- 3. Remove the lens cap and rear cap.

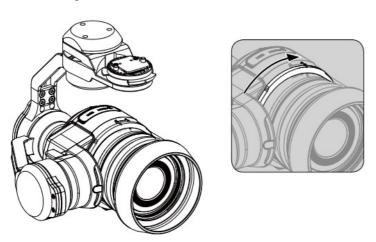


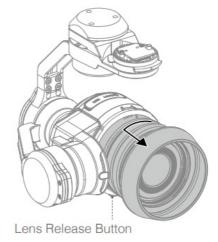
- 4. Align the two Lens Mount Indexes on the camera body and camera lens, and insert the camera lens into the body of the camera.
- 5. Rotate the camera lens clockwise until you hear a click.
- 6. Rotate the Lens Lock counterclockwise to lock it.
- 7. Mount the Balancing Ring (or a filter) and the Lens Hood.
- 8. Insert the Micro SD card.



To remove the camera lens, power off the battery and then:

- 1. While holding down the Lens Release Button, rotate the Lens Lock clockwise to unlock it.
- 2. While holding down the Lens Release Button, rotate the camera lens counterclockwise to detach it.



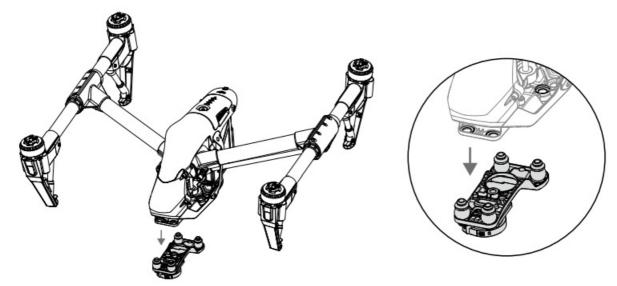


- It is recommended to wrap the dust cover around the lens for aerial applications. The DJI specified dust cover
 can be installed on the DJI MFT 15mm f/1.7 ASPH and the Panasonic Lumix G Leica DG Summilux 15mm
 f/1.7 ASPH. Purchase an appropriate dust cover for the Olympus M.Zuiko Digital ED 12mm f/2.0 if necessary.
- It is important to tighten the Lens Lock after attaching the camera lens, as this can reduce the vibrations of the lens when the aircraft is moving in flight. Always loosen the Lens Lock before attaching and detaching the camera lens.
- A filter can be installed in place of the Camera Balancing Ring. Remember to use a filter that fulfills the weight requirement.
- The Lens Hood can only be installed on the DJI MFT 15mm f/1.7 ASPH or Panasonic Lumix G Leica DG Summilux 15mm f/1.7 ASPH. DO NOT install the Lens Hood on the Olympus M.Zuiko Digital ED 12mm f/2.0.
- Be sure to set the lens to AF mode.
- Always hold down the Lens Release Button before rotating the Lens Lock to unlock it.

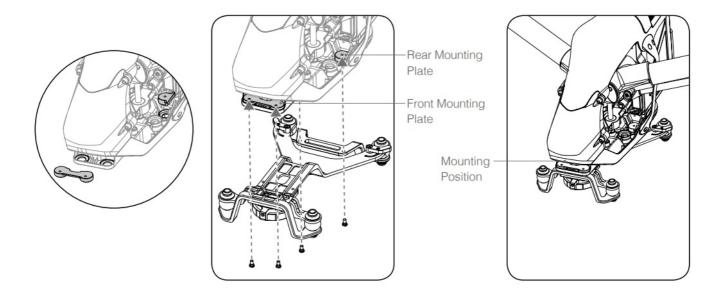
Mounting the Zenmuse X5 to the Inspire 1

(Watch Video: http://www.dji.com/product/inspire-1/video) Replace the Inspire 1 Gimbal Mounting Plate

- 1. Remove the two black dampers at the front.
- 2. Disconnect the 10-PIN cable and 8-PIN cable in order. Be careful not to damage the gimbal cables.
- 3. Remove the other two black dampers.



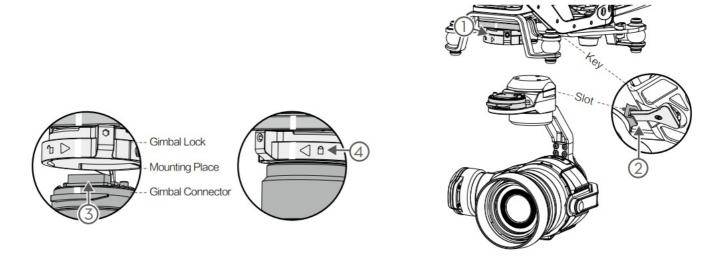
- 4. Attach the new gimbal mounting plate as shown below. With their flat sides facing outwards, align the rear mounting plates with the rear bracket's screw holes. Tighten the screws with a screwdriver.
- 5. Connect the 8-PIN cable and 10-PIN cable in order.
- 6. Place the front mounting bracket to the front bracket with its grooved side facing inwards. Adjust the 8-PIN cable and 10-PIN cable to avoid protrusion, and then tighten the screws.



Attach the Zenmuse X5

Ensure to power off the aircraft.

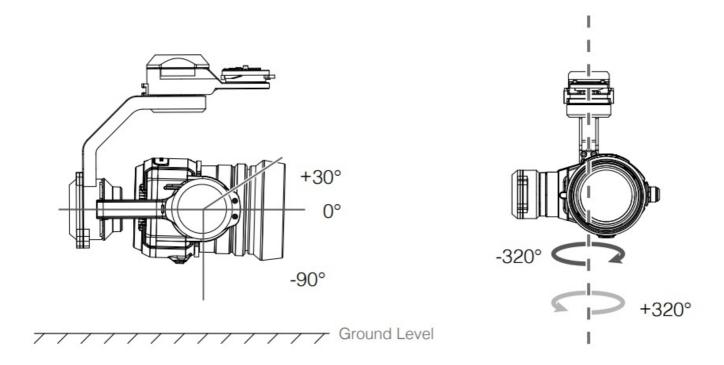
- 1. Rotate the Gimbal Lock to the unlocked position.
- 2. Align the key on the damping plate with the slot on the gimbal's pan motor.
- 3. While aligning the white lines on the Gimbal Connector and Gimbal Lock, insert the Gimbal Connector.
- 4. Rotate the Gimbal Lock to the locked position.



Be careful not to damage the Gimbal Connector and its metal contacts when attaching or storing the Zenmuse X5.

Mechanical Range

The 3-axis gimbal provides a incredibly stable and mobile platform for the camera system to capture completely smooth images and video. The gimbal can tilt the camera up to 120 degrees and pan 320 degrees in either direction, providing 640 degrees of yaw rotation.

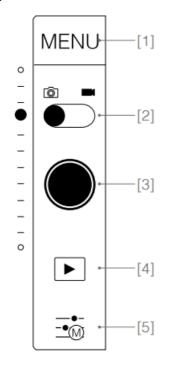


- DO NOT attach or detach the Zenmuse X5 when the aircraft is powered on.
- Take off from a flat, open area and protect the gimbal after powering up.

Operating the Camera

Camera Panel

All camera operations are done on the Camera Panel in Camera View of the DJI GO app.



- [1] Menu
- [2] Photo/Video Switch
- [3] Shutter/Record Button
- [4] Playback
- [5] Settings

Always set the camera lens to AF mode. The focus and aperture will be controlled by the DJI GO app digitally.

Basic Shooting

Taking Photos

Slide the Photo/Video Switch to the position. Tap the button or the shutter button on the remote controller to take a single photo. Choose from one of the shooting modes by tapping "MENU" -> Photo.

1. Burst Mode

Take 3, 5, or 7 shots in a row.

2. AEB (Auto Exposure Bracketing)

Take 3 or 5 bracketed frames with ±0.7EV steps for exposure compensation.

3. Time-lapse

Take photos in 5, 7, 10, 20 or 30 second intervals.

Recording Videos

Slide the Photo/Recording Switch to the position. Tap the icon or the Record Button on the remote controller to start or stop recording video.

Advanced Settings

Exposure Modes

Tap • to choose from the following exposure modes:

1. **AUTO**

The shutter speed and aperture are set automatically to obtain the correct exposure.

2. S (Shutter Priority)

Set your desired shutter speed, while the camera chooses the aperture automatically. This mode is ideal for freezing action, creating motion blur or low-light shots.

3. A (Aperture Priority)

Set your desired aperture, while the camera chooses the shutter speed automatically. This mode provides a wider depth of field and can be used to blur out backgrounds.

4. M (Manual Exposure)

In general, increase the ISO for low light environments, and decrease the ISO if the surrounding is very bright.

Photo Styles

Tap MENU -> -> Style to choose from the following styles:

1. Standard

A general-purpose style for most scenes.

2. Landscape

The camera will focus on as much of the scene as possible by using a large depth of field.

3. Soft

Suitable for scenes with natural or soft colors.

4. Custom

Sharpness: -3 to +3Contrast: -3 to +3Saturation: -3 to +3

White Balance

Tap MENU -> -> White Balance to choose from the following modes:

1. Auto

The camera adjusts the white balance automatically.

2. Sunny / Cloudy / Incandescent / Neon

Choose one of these modes if natural-looking colors cannot be achieved through photo styles.

3. Custom (2000K~10000K)

Set a value between 2000K and 10000K to compensate for a specific light source.

List of Settings

Photo	
Shooting Modes	Single shoot, Burst Mode, AEB(3/5 bracketed frames), Time-lapse
Image Format	JPEG, DNG, JPEG+DNG
Image Size	4:3, 16:9
White Balance	Auto, Sunny, Cloudy, Incandescent, Neon, Custom (2000K~10000K)
Style	Standard, Landscape, Soft, Custom (Sharpness/Contrast/ Saturation)
Color	LOG, None, Vivid, Black White, Art, Film, Beach, Dream, Classic, Nostalgia
Video	
Video Size	UHD:4K (4096×2160) 24/25p, 4K (3840×2160) 24/25/30p, 2.7K (2704×1520) 24/25/30p; FHD:1920×1080 24/25/30/48/50/60p
Video Format	MOV, MP4
NTSC/ PAL	PAL, NTSC
White Balance	Auto, Sunny, Cloudy, Incandescent, Neon, Custom (2000K~10000K)
Style	Standard, Landscape, Soft, Custom (Sharpness/Contrast/ Saturation)
Color	LOG, None, Vivid, Black White, Art, Film, Beach, Dream, Classic, Nostalgia
General	
Quick Preview	Off, 1s, 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, 6s, 7s, 8s, 9s, and 10s
Anti-Flicker	Auto, 60Hz, and 50Hz
Show Grid	Off, Grid Line, Grid + Diagonal, Center Point
File Index Mode	Reset, Continuous
Others	Show Histograms, Video Captions, Lens Profile, Reset Camera Settings, Format SD Card

Managing your Photos and Videos

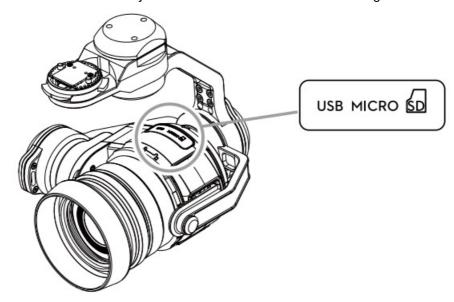
Playback

Tap In the DJI GO app or press the Playback Button on the remote controller to review photos and videos

that you have captured. Press the same button again to return to capturing images.

• Downloading your Files

Download your photo and video files to your PC via the Micro USB Port or using a Micro SD card reader.



Appendix

Specifications

General				
Name	Zenmuse X5			
Dimensions	4.7 (W) x 5.3 (H) x 5.5 (D) inches 120 (W) x 135 (H) x 140 (D) mm			
Weight	530 g (Including original lens, balancing ring, lens hood, Micro SD card)			
Operating Temperature	32° to 104° F (0° to 40° C)			
Camera				
Lens	Replaceable lens M43 mount supporting auto-focus			

Supported Lenses	DJI MFT 15mm f/1.7 ASPH Panasonic Lumix G Leica DG Summilux 15mm f/1.7 ASPH Olympus M.Zuiko Digital ED 12mm f/2.0 Olympus M.Zuiko 17mm f1.8	
Sensor	Type 4/3 CMOS sensor	
Effective Pixels	16 M	
Max Resolution	4608x3456	
ISO Range	100 to 25600	
Electronic Shutter Speed	8 to 1/8000 s	
Field of View	DJI MFT 15mm f/1.7 ASPH 72°	
Still Photography Modes	Single shot Burst shooting:3/5/7 frames Auto Exposure Bracketing (AEB):3/5 bracketed frames at 0.7EV bias Time-lapse	
Video Resolution	UHD:4K (4096×2160) 24/25p, 4K (3840×2160) 24/25/30p, 2.7K (2704×1520) 24/25/30p; FHD:1920×1080 24/25/30/48/50/60p	
Max Video Bitrate	60 Mbps	
Supported File Systems	FAT32 (≤ 32 GB), exFAT (> 32 GB)	
Photo Formats	JPEG, DNG	
VideoFormats	MP4/MOV (MPEG-4 AVC/H.264)	
Supported Storage Devices	Class 10 or UHS-1 or above Micro SD cards Max capacity of 64 GB	
Origin Lens		
Name	DJI MFT 15mm f/1.7 ASPH	
Focal length	f=15 mm (35 mm format equivalent 30 mm)	
Aperture type	7 diaphragm blades/circular aperture diaphragm	
Maximum aperture	F1.7	
Minimum aperture value	F16	
Lens construction	9 elements in 7 groups (3 aspherical lenses)	
In focus distance	$0.2 \text{ m to} \infty$ (from the focus distance reference line)	
Mount	Micro Four Thirds Mount	
Angle of view	72°	
Max. diameter	Approx. 2.26 inches (57.5 mm)	
Overall length	Approx. 1.42 inches (36 mm)	
Mass	115 g	

Gimbal	
Angular Vibration Range	±0.02°
Mount	Detachable
Controllable Range	Pitch:-90° to +30° Pan:±320°
Max Controllable Speed	Pitch:120°/s Pan:180°/s

Status LED

The Status LED describes the working status of the camera.

Status LED	Camera Status
Solid Green	Powered on; system is on standby.
Blinks Green quickly (0.1 on, 0.2s off)	System is warming up.
Blinks Green once (0.2s off)	Taking a single photo.
Blinks Green 3 times (0.2s on, 0.2s off)	Burst shooting 3 to 5 photos.
Blinks Red slowly (0.8s on, 0.8s off)	Recording video.
Blinks Green and Red alternatively (0.8s Green, 0.8s Red)	Firmware update in progress.
Blinks Red quickly (0.2s on, 0.3s off)	SD card error.
Solid Red	Firmware update failed.
Blinks Red twice (0.1s on, 0.1s off)	Camera overheated.

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