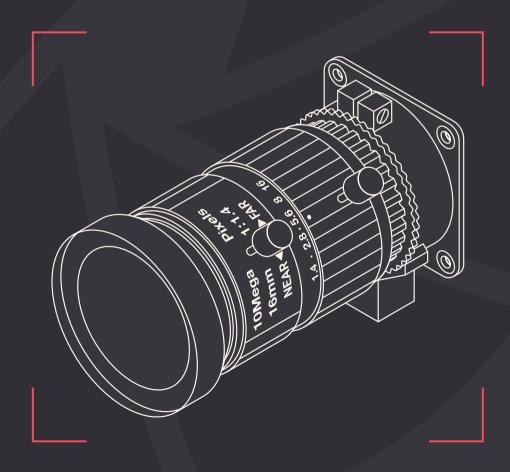
THE OFFICIAL RASPBERRY PI

CAMERA GUIDE



Chapter 1

Getting started

Find out how to connect your High Quality Camera or Camera Module, enable it, and take your first shots

n this chapter, we show you how to connect the High Quality Camera or Camera Module to your Raspberry Pi using the supplied ribbon cable. We will then enable it in Raspbian, before entering some commands in a Terminal window to start shooting photos and video. Let's get started...

01. High Quality Camera

The High Quality Camera (HQ Camera for short) can capture higher-resolution images than the standard Camera Module. Unlike the latter, it doesn't have a lens already attached. Instead, it can be used with any standard C- or CS-mount lens; 6 mm and 16 mm lenses are available to purchase with the camera to help you get started.

6 mm CS-mount lens

A low-cost 6 mm lens is available for the HQ Camera. This lens is suitable for basic photography. It can also be used for macro photography because it can focus objects at very short distances.





The dust cap should be used when a lens is not attached, as the camera sensor is sensitive to dust

> Supplied with the camera, the C-CS adapter should be used when attaching a C-mount lens

Use this screw to lock the back focus adjustment ring in position

> This ring can be used to adjust the focus when using a fixed-focus lens, or to alter the focal range of an attached adjustable-focus lens

The tripod mount enables you to mount the camera on a standard tripod: take care not to damage the ribbon when screwing the tripod into the camera. The mount may be unscrewed when it is not needed

> The camera is supplied with a 20 cm ribbon cable to connect it to Raspberry Pi's Camera port, but longer cables are available if needed



The 6 mm lens is a CS-mount device, so it has a short back focus and does not need the C-CS adapter that comes with the HQ Camera. Rotate the lens clockwise all the way into the back focus adjustment ring.

Back focus adjustment ring and lock screw

The back focus adjustment ring should be screwed in fully for the shortest possible backfocal length. Use the back focus lock screw to make sure it does not move out of this position when adjusting the aperture or focus.





Aperture

To adjust the aperture, hold the camera with the lens facing away from you. Turn the middle ring while holding the outer ring, furthest from the camera, steady. Turn clockwise to close the aperture and reduce image brightness. Turn anti-clockwise to open the aperture. Once you are happy with the light level, tighten the screw on the side of the lens to lock the aperture.



To adjust focus, hold the camera with the lens facing away from you. Hold the outer two rings of the lens; this is easier if the aperture is locked as described above. Turn the camera and the inner ring anti-clockwise relative to the two outer rings to focus on a nearby object. Turn them clockwise to focus on a distant object. You may find you need to adjust the aperture again after this.

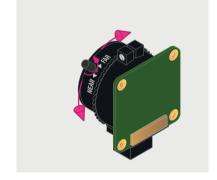


The 16 mm lens provides a higher-quality image than the 6 mm lens. It has a narrow angle of view which is more suited to viewing distant objects.

O1 Fitting the C-CS adapter

Ensure the C-CS adapter that comes with the HQ Camera is fitted to the 16 mm lens. The lens is a C-mount device, so it has a longer back focus than the 6 mm lens and therefore requires the adapter.









O2 Fitting the lens to the camera

Rotate the 16 mm lens and C-CS adapter clockwise all the way into the back focus adjustment ring.



Back focus adjustment ring and lock screw

The back focus adjustment ring should be screwed in fully. Use the back focus lock screw to make sure it does not move out of this position when adjusting the aperture or focus.



Aperture

To adjust the aperture, hold the camera with the lens facing away from you. Turn the inner ring, closest to the camera, while holding the camera steady. Turn clockwise to close the aperture and reduce image brightness. Turn anticlockwise to open the aperture. When happy with the light level, tighten the screw on the side of the lens to lock the aperture into position.



To adjust focus, hold the camera with the lens facing away from you. Turn the focus ring, labelled 'NEAR ◀▶ FAR', anti-clockwise to focus on a nearby object. Turn it clockwise to focus on a distant object. You may find you need to adjust the aperture again after this.

