



# NINJA BLADE

The ultimate portable HDMI recorder-monitor for filmmakers.



Camera-mounted recorder, monitor,  
WFM and deck for HDMI cameras

**Record → Monitor → Playback+Playout → Edit-Ready**

Uncompressed 8/10-bit  
↓  
ProRes | Avid DNxHD®  
↓  
HDD SSD

Ninja BLADE  
5" SuperAtom  
IPS Screen  
1280x720/ 16:9  
Monitor Assist +  
Waveform Monitor

Playback on-screen  
or external monitor  
Instantly review,  
navigate, mark and tag  
your recorded footage  
**HDMI**

BROADCAST  
10-BIT 4:2:2,  
1920 x 1080

MASTER  
CADDY  
HDD/SSD → DOCK  
via USB 3/2 → MAC & PC  
COMPATIBLE  
Mac & PC compatible



Discover Smart Production

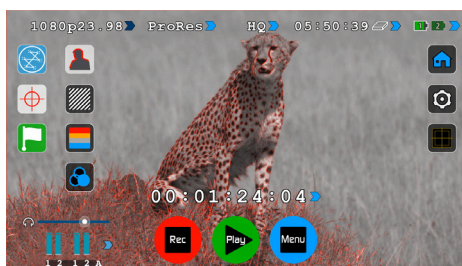
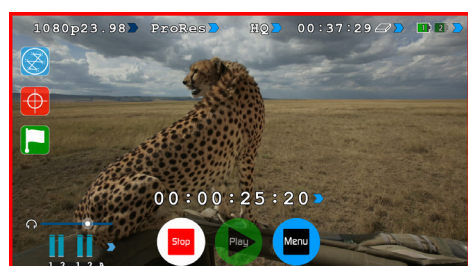
# ATOMOS NINJA BLADE

## YOUR 10-BIT HDMI SMART PRODUCTION WEAPON



# ATOMOS SMART PRODUCTION

## ALL THE FEATURES YOU'VE ASKED FOR, AND MORE...

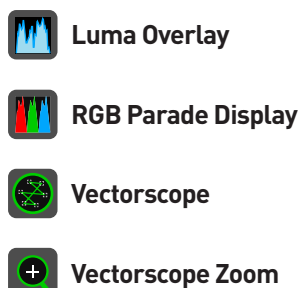


### SmartControl

Start/stop trigger from rolling timecode set by supported cameras.

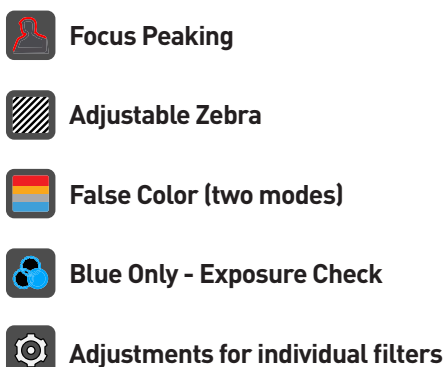
### SmartMonitor

Use Waveform monitoring with:



### SmartMonitor (continued)

Accurately assess focus and exposure with:



### SmartLog

Log in and out points on your footage and tag these clips with keywords such as 'good shot' (Favourite) or 'bad shot' (Reject).



With the Ninja Blade this part of the post production process can now be done on set, or on the move, support by Continuous Power.

SmartLog operates while in Monitor or Playback mode. It saves time, money and allows fast, collaborative pre-editing prior to final post production in Apple Final Cut Pro X.





## Online or Offline, Master or Back-up

### 10-bit 4:2:2, 220Mbps, 2.5" HDD or SSD

Professional media production is all about balancing quality, cost and time. We understand this dynamic and our aim is to redefine the digital recording workflow to maintain the highest recording quality, minimize the time taken to move video from camera to computer and lower the cost of production using affordable, high capacity, high speed media.

The Ninja Blade takes any uncompressed HD or SD source and encodes it in real-time to 10-bit, 4:2:2 Apple ProRes or Avid DNxHD at up to 220Mbps. Both are class-leading codecs for production, broadcasting, editing and post-production. Because we are portable, we can record from the ultimate image source, the sensor of the camera.

The Ninja Blade always records in 10-bit, even from an 8-bit source. We add color registries for incorporating higher bit-depth graphics from CG, animation and special effects. This avoids banding and makes editing and grading, in fact any precision effect, more accurate.

## Any or HD-SDI or HDMI source...

**DSLRs, Decks, Switchers,  
PC, Mac, iPad & iPhone**

Ninja Blade has HDMI In as standard and can accept HD/SD-SDI input with the addition of a Connect S2H or Connect-AC H2S.



## Nikon/Sony/Panasonic/Canon/RED/ARRI/JVC/GoPro

Whether you're a Hollywood DoP needing a high quality review and tagging tool from an ARRI, RED, Canon or Sony camera, or an independent filmmaker using a Nikon DSLR for end-to-end digital production, the Ninja Blade makes all types of production faster, better and easier, and at very little cost.

James Cameron used Atomos field recorders on his *Deep Sea Challenge* - need we say more? From 4 miles down to 20,000 feet up, Ninja Blade will record your adventures in super high quality - it's got you covered on land, air and sea!



## Ready to deliver, high-capacity HDD or SSD No more expensive memory cards!

Ninja Blade frees you from the financial and operational constraints of expensive Flash media (eg. SxS and P2) and aggressive compression (MPEG-2) by allowing you to use cheap, commodity storage that's available anywhere.

Choose inexpensive 2.5" hard disk drives (spinning disks) for 90% of projects and Flash-based SSDs for rough terrain or high security use. HDDs are now cheaper than tapes! Store them on a shelf or hand them to your client. Modern commodity storage is extremely reliable.

A 750GB/7200rpm drive holds up to 16 hours of high quality Apple ProRes® footage.

### Supported Drives

**HDD:** Western Digital, Hitachi, Samsung, Toshiba

**SSD:** Intel, SanDisk

**Latest recommended drives:** [atomos.com](http://atomos.com)

**HDD  
SSD  
COMPATIBLE**



## 1280x720 SuperAtom IPS screen

### Waveform Monitor, Focus Peaking, Zebra and more...



At 325 dpi and 1 million pixels (1280x720) the Ninja Blade's 5" SuperAtom IPS Panel delivers amazing resolution, super accurate colours and super deep blacks.

The Ninja Blade is the first truly professional monitor that records, offering full waveform functionality, including vectorscope, in addition to focus peaking, zebra, false colour and blue-only monitoring tools.



## Pristine Playback & Payout SmartLog - Just Mark & Tag

Use your Ninja Blade's screen to navigate through and review your footage, to mark in and out points and input XML tags. Instantly show your material to production colleagues, clients or talent, and check each shot in detail, during or after the shoot - logging their suggestions without leaving the set. Review and log an entire day's shoot on-set, or while travelling, with high-quality playback and comprehensive clip logging & navigation controls.

Just touch "Play" on the Ninja Blade screen and view your full HD recordings, with up to of 10 hours playback and editing on one battery charge (and don't forget our patent-pending Continuous Power for unlimited operation in the field).



## Instant editing on MAC or PC!

The Ninja Blade seamlessly migrates your productions to the efficient and cost-effective world of file-based workflows. By recording directly to a production-quality, edit-friendly format, it bypasses the codec in the camera and eliminates time-consuming capture and conversion.



The Ninja Blade's tight integration with Apple ProRes® and Avid DNxHD means recorded footage is instantly and natively editable in Final Cut, Media Composer, Premiere Pro, EDIUS, Vegas, Autodesk Smoke and Lightworks.

## What's in the box

Ninja Blade works right out of the box, you can be using it within minutes! We supply everything (except storage media).

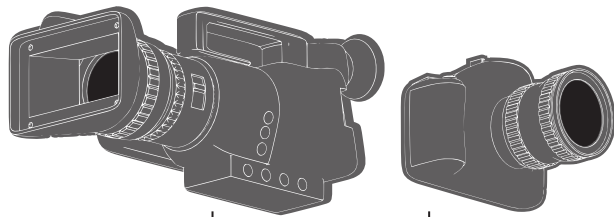
- Ninja Field Recorder
- NP Series-Compatible Battery
- Battery Charger 110-240V
- AC Adaptor
- D-Tap Adaptor
- 2 X Master Caddy Cases
- 2.5" HDD/SSD Docking Station USB 2/3



Contents may differ from those shown here.

# FROM SENSOR TO EDIT SUITE UNCOMPRESSED 10-BIT HD/SD

- Uncompressed 8/10-bit HD/SD from HDMI to Apple ProRes® or Avid DNxHD® on HDD/SSD



HDMI CAMERAS & DSLRS

**RECORD**

REAL-TIME  
PULLDOWN  
REMOVAL

## SmartMonitor

FEATURES INCLUDING  
FOCUS PEAKING AND  
ZEBRA.

## SmartLog\*

MARK AND TAG.  
READY TO EXPORT  
XML FILE.

## SmartControl<sup>®</sup>

TRIGGER SIMULTANEOUS  
NINJA-2 AND CAMERA  
RECORDING VIA START/  
STOP OR TIMECODE.

## Choice of codec

**ProRes** | **Avid DNxHD**

## HDMI PLAYOUT

1920 x 1080px  
Full HD LCD  
LED or Plasma  
DVD/BluRay  
Monitor  
Switcher  
Satellite

HDMI IN

HDMI OUT

LANC

STEREO

LINE IN

HEADPHONE

OUT

**EJECT  
MASTER  
CADDY**

FAST, EASY-TO-USE  
RESPONSIVE  
TOUCHSCREEN  
CONTROLS

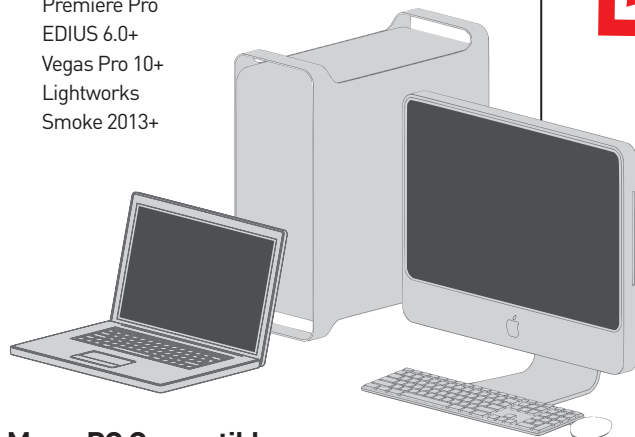
REMOVABLE LOW COST  
2 1/2" HDD/SSD CONNECTS  
VIA USB 2/3

CONNECT TO ANY  
WORKSTATION VIA  
MASTER CADDY  
DOCKING STATION

**DOCK**

## ► Ready to Edit

FCPX/FCP7+  
Media Composer 5.0+  
Premiere Pro  
EDIUS 6.0+  
Vegas Pro 10+  
Lightworks  
Smoke 2013+



Mac + PC Compatible



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## Ninja Blade Main Unit



<b>Lightweight</b>	310g / 11oz (without batteries & HDD) 595g / 21oz (with batteries & HDD)	
<b>Dimensions</b> (without batteries)	140mm (W) x 87mm (H) x 41mm (D)	
<b>Construction</b>	Aircraft-grade aluminium for durability + portability. Fanless for silent operation.	
<b>Operating Power</b>	3.3W (Monitoring Only) / 6.8W (Rec, Mon & Play)	
<b>Batteries</b> 7.2V-14.4V Battery System Compatible NP Series D-Tap and supporting accessories	<b>All 7.4v</b> 1. 2600mAh - Up to 4hrs 2. 5200mAh - Up to 8hrs 3. 7800mAh - Up to 12hrs 4. AC Power via Adapter plate (option) 5. D-Tap Adapter (cables sold separately)	
<b>Continuous Power*</b> *Patent Pending	Primary-Secondary battery system. Change batteries without losing power. Loop batteries continuously.	
<b>Touchscreen</b>	Size: 5" diagonal. Resolution: 1280x720 Aspect Ratio: 16:9 native /4:3 Letterbox. REC 709 HDTV Colour Specification Native Frame Rate Playback (48-60Hz) SuperAtom IPS (in-Plane Switching) panel	
<b>Video Input</b> Uncompressed 10/8-bit 4:2:2 Simultaneously displayed on internal 5" Ninja screen	HDMI x 1 (HD/SD-SDI x 1 with optional S2H Connect SDI -> HDMI converter)	HDMI v1.4 SMPTE 259/292/296 BNC
<b>Video Output</b> Uncompressed 10-bit 4:2:2 Simultaneously displayed on internal	HDMI x 1 (HD/SD-SDI x 1 with optional H2S Connect HDMI > SDI converter)	HDMI v1.4 SMPTE 259/292/296 BNC
<b>Supported Formats</b> (In/Out)	HD 1080i60, 1080i59.94, 1080i50, 1080p30, 1080p25, 1080p24, 1080p23.98, 1080pSF23.98, 1080pSF24, 1080pSF25, 1080pSF30, 720p60, 720p59.94, 720p50, SD 480i, 576i	
<b>Realtime Hardware Encoding</b> 1920x1080 8/10-bit 4:2:2 to:	<b>Apple ProRes®</b> HQ - 220Mbps 422 - 150Mbps LT - 100Mbps  <b>Avid DNxHD®</b> (Online activation required) Avid DNxHD-220/220x - 220Mbps (8/10-bit) Avid DNxHD-145 - 145 Mbps (8-bit) Avid DNxHD-36 - 36 Mbps (8-bit)	
<b>Onboard Processing</b> Auto detect pulldown cadence and remove	25pSF (50i) > 25p 30pSF (60i) > 30p 24p (3:2-60i) > 24p 23.98p (3:2-59.94i) > 23.98p	
<b>Audio input</b> 48kHz PCM audio	HDMI 2 Channels + 2 analogue channels with gain controls	
<b>Audio output</b> 48kHz PCM audio	HDMI 2 Channels + headphone for onboard review. (Select any pair of channels)	
<b>Remote Start and Stop</b>	Via HDMI trigger / Via HDMI timecode / Via LANC controller & LANC camera	
<b>Master Caddy Case for HDD or SSD</b> 2.5" SSD or HDD minimum 5400rpm to 10,000rpm standard 9.5mm height	75mm x 105mm x 12mm For recommended drives visit: <a href="http://www.atomos.com">www.atomos.com</a>	
<b>Master Caddy Dock</b>	2.5" internal drive SATA to USB 2.0/3.0 including USB cable	
<b>Supported Applications</b>	FCPX/FCP7+ / Media Composer 5.0+ / Premiere 5.5+ EDIUS 6.0+ / Vegas Pro 10+ / Lightworks	
<b>Accessories included</b>	• Universal Battery Charger 110-240V • AC Adapter & Car Charger • Docking station and leads • 2 x Master Caddy Cases • 1 x Atomos 2600mAh battery • Rugged Carry Case • Canon & Nikon Adapter plates • D-Tap Adapter	
<b>Optional extras</b>	• 5 x Master Caddy Cases • Sun Hood • Carry case • Canon® / Nikon® battery plates • Connect H2S converter • Connect S2H converter	

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