

SPECIFICATIONS

HDC-DX1



HDC-SD1



HDC-DX1/SD1

GENERAL	
Power Supply	DX1: DC 7.3 V/7.2 V SD1: DC9.3V/7.2V
Power Consumption	DX1: 11.4W SD1: 8.0W
Weight (w/o Battery)	DX1: 680g SD1: 430g
Dimensions (W x H x D)	DX1: 91.5 x 90.2 x 162.4mm SD1: 74.1 x 67 x 137mm
Recording Format	AVCHD (Moving Picture) / JPEG (Still Picture)
LENS SECTION	
Image Sensor	DX1: 1/4" CCD x 3 [560k x 3pixel Total/ 520k x 3[16.9]Moving Picture/ Still Picture Effective] SD1: 1/4" CCD x 3 [560k x 3pixel Total/ 520k x 3[16.9]Moving Picture/ Still Picture Effective]
F Value	F1.8 (WIDE) — F2.8 (TELE)
Optical Zoom	12x Variable Speed Zoom
Focal Length	4.0 — 48.0 mm
Filter Diameter	43 mm
35mm Film Camera Equivalent	38.5 — 462mm[16.9] [Moving Picture/ Still Picture]
Lens Brand	Leica Dicomar
CAMERA SECTION	
Minimum Illumination	2 Lux (Colour Night View)
Focus	AF/Manual
White Balance	Auto/Indoor/Outdoor/White Set
Shutter Speed	1/50 — 1/8000 sec.[Moving Picture], 1/50 — 1/8000 sec.[Still Picture]
Iris	Auto/Manual
Backlight Compensation	Yes
EVF	DX1: 0.44" Wide [180k pixels] SD1: —
Monitor	3.0" Wide LCD[250 k pixels]
Microphone	Stereo SECM, 5.1-Ch Surround Sound, Zoom Mic, Wind Noise Reduction
Date Recording	Auto Date (in Data Code)
OSD Language	English/German/French/Italian/Spanish/Dutch/Swedish/Polish/Czech
Image Stabilizer	O.I.S.
Digital Zoom	30x/700x
Flash	1m — 2.5m (approx.)

FUNCTIONS

- HD Crystal Engine •Focus Assist •Composition Guide Lines •Tele Macro •Soft Skin •Simultaneous Recording (Moving Pictures/Still Pictures)
- Colour Night View •0Lux Colour Night View (DX1) •One-Touch Navigation •Help Mode •Auto Lens Cover
- Built-in Flash •Thumbnail View •Easy on/off •Quick Start (SD1) •AGS (Anti-Ground Shooting)

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS (HDC-SD1)

	HD Writer Ver 1.0E for SD1	Card Reader Function (Mass Storage)
Interface	USB port (Hi-Speed USB (USB2.0) recommended)	USB port
Windows® 2000	○[SP4]	○[SP4]
Windows® XP	○[SP2]	○[SP1/SP2]
CPU	Intel® Pentium® III 1.0GHz or higher	Intel® Pentium® III 450MHz or higher

- About HD Writer Ver 1.0E
- This software is not compatible with a multi-boot environment.
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3CCD HD VIDEO CAMERA
HIGH DEFINITION



HDC-DX1

HDC-SD1

**FULL
HD
1080**

*The term full HD as applied to Panasonic video cameras for home use refers to images recorded with 1,080 vertical pixels (scanning lines).

A New Peak in HD Image Quality

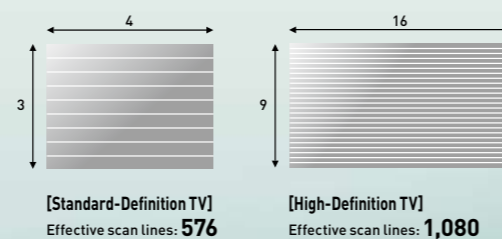
3CCD High-Definition Video Camera

High-definition video cameras deliver incredibly realistic images that draw the viewer into an exciting new world, and proprietary Panasonic technologies have reached new heights in HD quality. The beautiful images recorded by a Panasonic high-definition video camera will bring back the emotion of the moment again and again, even years from now. A new peak in HD image quality — Experience it in DVD or SD/SDHC Memory Card style.



High-Definition vs. Conventional Images

Are HD [High-definition] images from a video camera really different from images recorded with a conventional video camera? HD images contain 4 times as much information as conventional standard-definition images. For starters, compare the number of scan lines. HDTV has 1,080 horizontal scan lines, SDTV has 576. That translates into much higher resolution and much finer detail. Pictures are so clear and sharp, you can see the textures in an image. Also, HD uses a 16:9 aspect ratio, so the pictures you record have proportions that more closely match the human field of vision. This means that viewing is more natural and comfortable. The HD revolution is well under way, and Panasonic is helping to lead the way with HD video cameras, TVs, and PC applications that can serve as the starting point to a beautiful new digital lifestyle.



AVCHD is a standard developed jointly by Sony and Panasonic for HD digital video cameras. Using highly efficient codec technologies, it records 1080i high-definition signals onto media such as 8-cm DVD discs and SD/SDHC Memory Cards. AVCHD allows an HD video camera to make long-time recordings of high-density video information onto a DVD disc or SD/SDHC Memory Card.

*As of December 8, 2006

HDC-DX1

■ Easy-to-use DVDs

There's no need to find blank disc space, so you can start shooting right away, and it's easy to play or edit the results right on the camera.

■ High-definition recording on 8 cm DVD discs in AVCHD format

In the AVCHD format you can record onto a RAM, RW, R, or R-DL (Dual Layer) disc and get up to about 60 minutes* of continuous recording.
*When recording on a DL disc with HE mode (6 Mbps).

■ DVD discs allow easy, convenient archiving

The discs are easy to store and manage, save space, and can be played on a Blu-ray Disc player.

HDC-SD1

■ Compact and stylish

The compact design makes the HDC-SD1 easy to carry about, and with its smart styling you'll want to take it everywhere.

■ High-definition recording on an SD/SDHC Memory Card in AVCHD format

In the AVCHD format you can record onto an SD or SDHC Memory Card and get up to about 90 minutes* of continuous recording.
*When recording with HE mode (6 Mbps).

■ Quick start-up — 1.7 sec

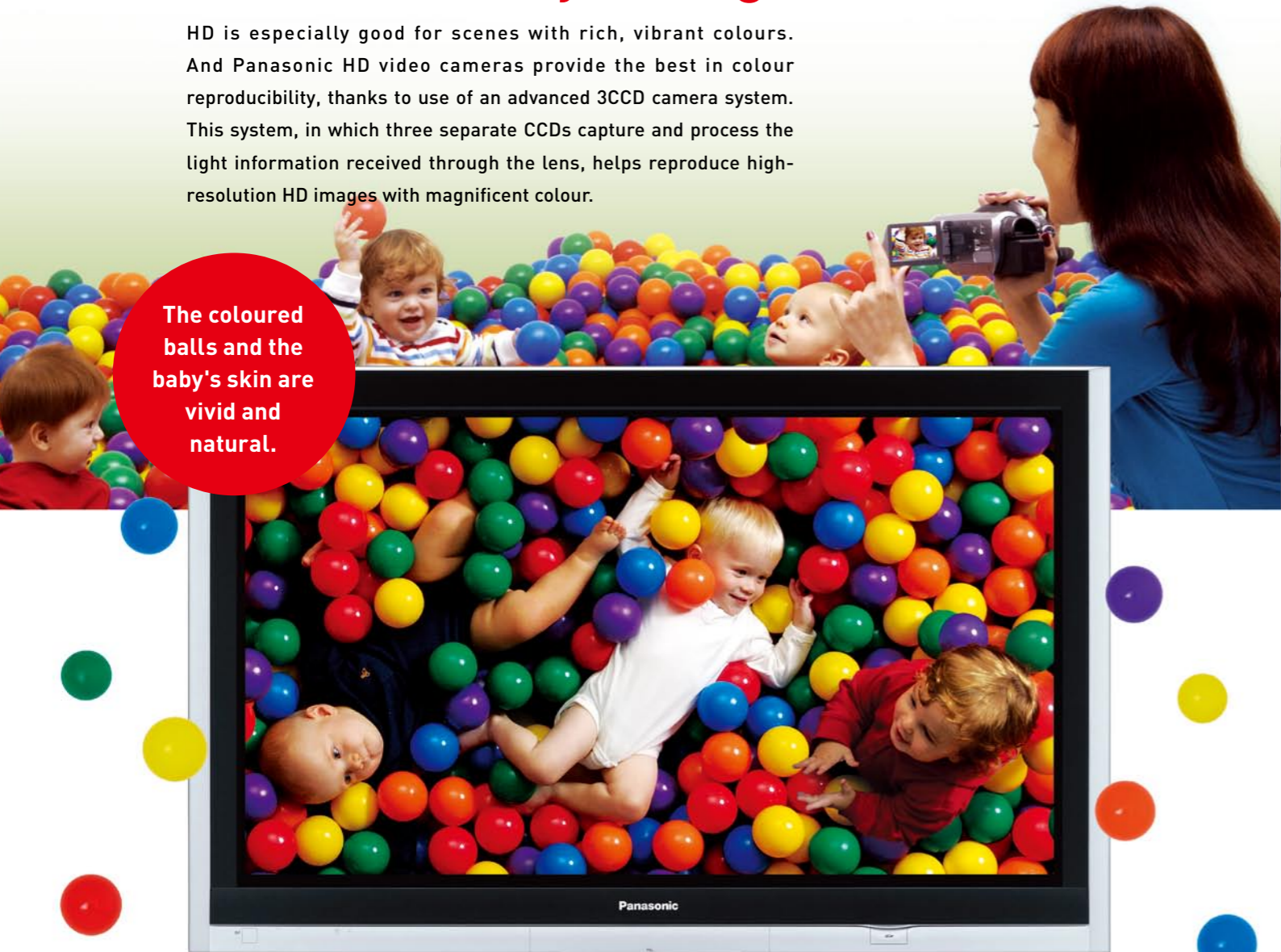
In Quick Start mode*, the SD1 begins recording in just 1.7 seconds from the time the LCD is opened. This lets you shoot those sudden shooting opportunities.
*This mode can be selected from the menu.

HD × 3CCD

Rich, Vivid Colours Bring Out All the Beauty of High Definition

HD is especially good for scenes with rich, vibrant colours. And Panasonic HD video cameras provide the best in colour reproducibility, thanks to use of an advanced 3CCD camera system. This system, in which three separate CCDs capture and process the light information received through the lens, helps reproduce high-resolution HD images with magnificent colour.

The coloured balls and the baby's skin are vivid and natural.



HD × O.I.S.

Suppresses Camera Shake, So Images Appear Sharp, Even on a Big-Screen TV

Imagine taking video shots on a moving boat and then viewing them on a large-screen TV. They're likely to appear blurry from the boat's movement and unsteady hands. Panasonic solves this problem with our O.I.S. (Optical Image Stabilizer). O.I.S. is an optical system, so image quality is in no way degraded. If you plan to view the videos you record on a big-screen TV, be sure to get a camera with an O.I.S. system.

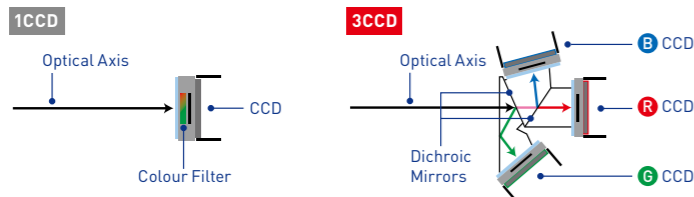
Even images shot from a moving boat are clear and beautiful.



3CCD Camera System



Most professional broadcasting cameras use the 3CCD system, with its superior colour reproduction. In a 1CCD system, all of the incoming light information is processed by the same CCD. The more advanced 3CCD system uses three distinct CCDs for processing, so there is absolutely no light loss. The 3CCD camera system draws out the full potential of HD image quality.



1CCD
The baby's skin and flowers don't look natural, they look artificial.

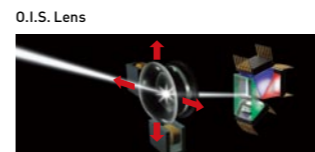


3CCD Both baby's skin and flowers have natural colour and look real.

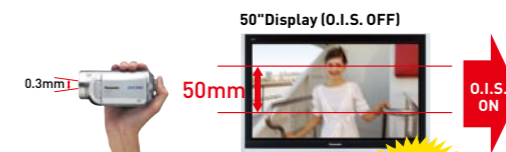
O.I.S. (Optical Image Stabilizer)



Panasonic's O.I.S. minimises hand-shake. O.I.S. is extremely effective in situations where hand-shake is most often a problem, such as with zoom shots. The system is optical, so there is no quality loss. Images look clear and beautiful on a TV screen.



The lens moves up/down or left/right and bends the incoming light to correct hand-shake.



When you're shooting, moving the camera even a tiny bit - just 0.3 mm - results in an image blur of 50 mm when the recording is viewed on a 50-inch screen.

CLEAR!!

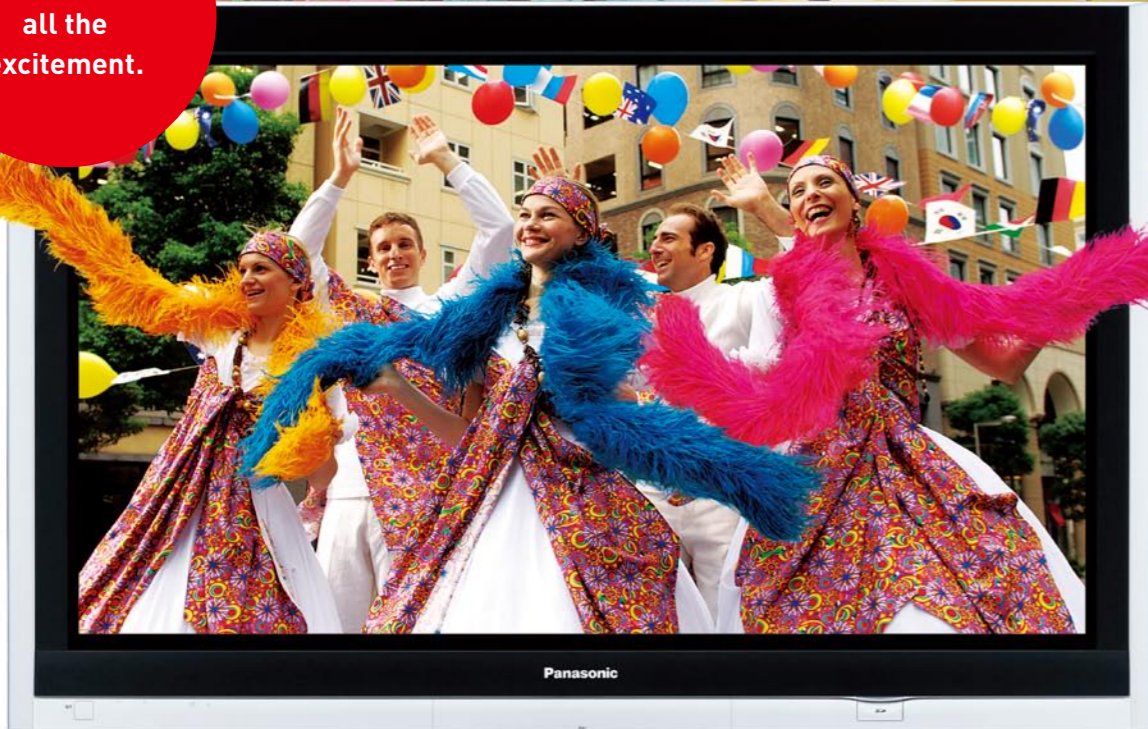


Images look sharp and crisp, with minimal blurring, even on a large-screen TV.

HD × 5 Microphones and 5.1-Ch Surround Sound Capturing Voices Over a Wide Area for a More Lifelike Sound

The festival is really starting to rock. The trumpets are out. People are singing. At times like this, you want to record the best sound possible. Panasonic high-definition video cameras let you do this with five built-in microphones. They capture sounds from just about anywhere. And they record in 5.1-channel surround, so you get a truly lifelike sound on a Dolby Digital 5.1-channel system.

You can capture all the excitement.



5 Microphones and 5.1-Channel Surround Sound



Panasonic high-definition video cameras have five electret condenser microphones, one each to capture sounds from the front, back, right, left and centre. The centre mic helps capture the sound source and distance more accurately. This provides a more 3-dimensional effect than conventional systems, which capture all sounds from the front. It creates a true-to-life sound space that's a great match for the HD image quality.

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Five electret condenser microphones



Five mics capture each of the sounds from the different sound source directions.

HD × Zoom Microphones Bring Distant Sounds Right Up Close

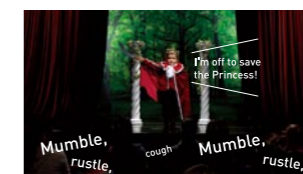
When you zoom in to a performer on stage, you want the sound to zoom in at the same time. Panasonic high-definition video cameras do exactly that, linking the microphone zoom with the lens zoom. With this innovative feature, voices come through loud and clear even when you're using the zoom to record someone at a distance.

Zoom in on the actor's voice!



Zoom Microphones

In Zoom mode the microphones are linked to the lens action. When you zoom in on a subject, the microphones focus on the sound in that same direction, minimizing the capture of incidental sounds. This level of sound localisation — made possible by the five-mic configuration — is ideal for shooting a scene onstage or a conversation.



1x WIDE MODE



12x ZOOM MODE

Every scene deserves the beauty of high definition

“Leica Dicomar lens” for truly beautiful HD video images

**LEICA
DICOMAR**

The DX1 and the SD1 boast a Leica Dicomar lens. Developed specifically for HD digital video cameras, these lens systems are made using a multi-coating process that prevents light reflection and glare, which can make colours bleed and images appear washed out. It also prevents rings of light, or “ghosts.”



Washed-out image due to strong light



Multi-coated lens: clear image with no colour bleeding

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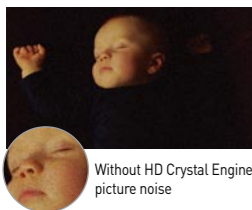
“HD Crystal Engine” developed specifically for high-resolution HD video cameras

**HD CRYSTAL
ENGINE**

The HD Crystal Engine is a special image processing circuit for the 3CCD HD video camera. Able to process large amounts of data with high speed and precision, this engine achieves truly superb colour reproduction for high-quality pictures.



HD Crystal Engine



Without HD Crystal Engine: picture noise



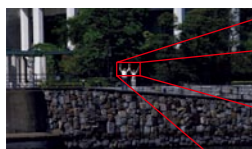
With HD Crystal Engine: smooth from corner to corner

“12x Optical Zoom” to bring distant subjects up close while maintaining exceptional HD image quality



1x
38.5mm
(35mm film camera equivalent)

This 12x zoom can fill the screen with even a distant subject. Because it's optical, there is no quality loss — you get HD images in all their natural beauty. And focusing is fast even when zooming, so you catch all the best shots.



12x
462mm (35mm film camera equivalent)



Image quality is preserved. Even facial expressions are clear.

“High 6Lux Sensitivity” for sharp, clear images even in dim lighting

The pixels are more than twice the ordinary size, so you can shoot in light as low as 6 lux. You get natural-looking shots even in dim rooms or at dusk.



This would be a nice shot — but it's too dark to see.



High 6Lux Sensitivity captures great shots even by candlelight.

“Focus Assist” for more accurate manual focusing

This function enlarges the centre of the image, making it easier for you to get a clear, sharp shot when focusing manually.



Enlarged image centre makes it easier to focus



A clear, perfectly focused shot!

“Composition Guide Lines” to help you take level shots

With wide LCD monitors, it's hard to keep images perfectly level. The DX1 and SD1 solve this by displaying horizontal and vertical Composition Guide Lines that make it easy to keep the subject straight and level.



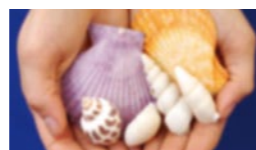
It's hard to get level shots when using a wide LCD monitor.



Images are level, with no slanted horizontal lines.

“Tele-Macro” for sharp focusing, even at 60 cm

Using the zoom at full magnification, you can shoot macro close-ups while maintaining a distance of 60 cm from your subject. This makes it much easier to capture extreme close-ups without your body or camera casting a shadow on the subject and while keeping the background in soft focus.



With no macro mode, focusing is poor



Crisp, sharp shots from just 60 cm away

It's easy to shoot in high definition — even if it's your first time



Easy-to-See
3.0"
Wide-Screen
LCD

The LCD shows the amount of recording time remaining, so you don't have to worry about it

Displays remaining battery power (4 levels)

50 min

Displays remaining recording time (minutes)

One-Touch Navigation linked with the joystick

Buttons and levers positioned for easy, comfortable one-hand operation

Dial for smooth Power ON and mode switching

Just turn the dial and you're ready to shoot or to view the images afterward. Just rotate the dial with your fingertip to select the icon that corresponds to the mode you want.

One-Touch
Navigation



- Recording Mode** Use this mode when recording moving pictures and still pictures.
- Playback Mode** Use this mode when playing back scenes recorded onto a DVD disc or SD/SDHC Memory Card.
- PC Mode** Use this mode when you want to connect the video camera to your personal computer.

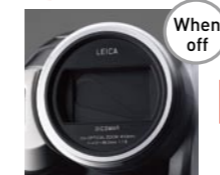


Joy Stick Control

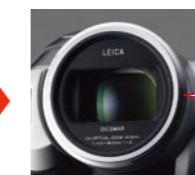


And...

The lens cover opens or closes when the power is turned on or off. No more worries about losing a lens cap.



When turned on...

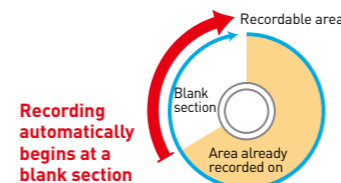


Open!

Power turns on automatically when you open the LCD!

Begin recording right away on DVD disc or SD/SDHC Memory Card – no need to find blank space

Simply press the Record button, and the DX1 and SD1 automatically find a blank memory area and begin recording. You get easy, error-free recording without having to worry about accidentally recording over previous footage.



Recording automatically begins at a blank section

“One-Touch Navigation” for easy, intuitive setting and shooting without taking your eyes off the subject

With One-Touch Navigation, just press the centre of the joystick to display an operating menu. The operations you use most often are right on the monitor, so it's easy to change settings or operate the camera without looking away from your subject.



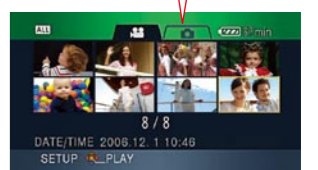
In Help Mode there's an on-screen explanation of the icons.

Operation Icon Examples

	Backlight Compensation		FadeIN/FadeOUT
	Help Mode		Soft Skin Detail
	Tele Macro Mode		Night Mode

“Thumbnail View” for quick, easy playback

The video camera LCD screen displays a list of the recorded scenes for quick and easy searching. You can do some polished editing using just the camera itself.



Easy searching!
Big letters for easier navigation.

“Large 3.0" Wide-Screen LCD” makes it easy to picture how images will look on a TV

The large, 3-inch LCD monitor displays bright, clear images with 250,000-pixel resolution. You can see even tiny details. It's more fun to shoot and view images on a wide monitor, and it's easier to picture just how the images will look on a TV screen.



Large, easy-to-view LCD screen

Enjoy high-definition video and superb sound on an HD home cinema



OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES

POWER															
Rechargeable Lithium-Ion Battery Pack*1 (For DX1) 7.2V/2640mAh VW-VBG260 (For SD1) 7.2V/1320mAh VW-VBG130		AC Adaptor (For DX1) VW-AD20-K (For SD1) VW-AD21-K													
SHOOTING															
Shoe Adaptor Foldable design & compact size VW-SK12-K	Filter Kit Shooting under strong light and lens protection VW-LF43N-K	Video DC Light Video shooting in the dark VW-LDC102-S	Tripod Continuous fixed-position shooting VW-CT45												
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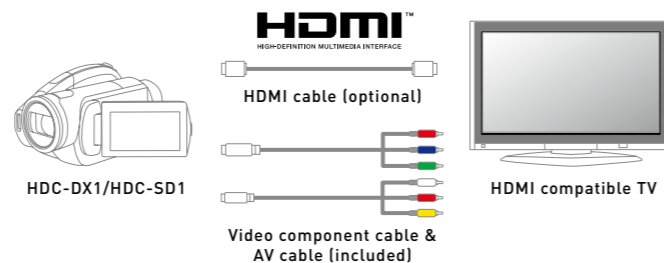
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 •Please confirm the latest information about battery on the following website: <http://panasonic.co.jp/pavc/global/cs/info/battery.html> [This website is in English only].
 *2 Usable capacity will be less.

Easy playback for TV viewing

•Connecting with a cable

Just connect your video camera to an HDTV and you're ready for high-definition viewing. If your TV is HDMI* compatible, a single HDMI cable is all you need. When using a video component cable, you need a separate audio cable.

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•Using a Blu-ray Disc player (for DVD)

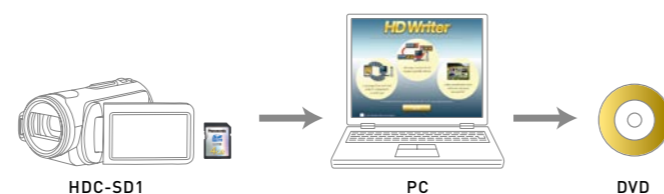
Simply take the DVD disc from the camera and slip it in the Blu-ray Disc player. There are no cables to connect. It's that easy.

*The disc must be finalised prior to playback.
 ♦ When using an SD/SDHC Memory Card: Use the included software to burn the images to a DVD disc, then use the disc in the Blu-ray Disc player.



Archiving on DVD (HDC-SD1)

The included software HD writer Ver 1.0E lets you burn images from an SD/SDHC Memory Card to a DVD disc. Just download the images from the memory card to a PC, then follow the software instructions. When finished, you can use the DVD disc right away in a Blu-ray Disc player.



■ Moving Picture Recording Times (approx.)

Mode	HDC-DX1		
	HF (13Mbps)	HN (9Mbps)	HE (6Mbps)
DVD-RAM (dual-sided)	28 min.	42 min.	62 min.
DVD-RW (dual-sided)	28 min.	42 min.	62 min.
DVD-R DL (dual-layer)	26 min.	40 min.	60 min.
DVD-R (single-sided)	14 min.	21 min.	31 min.

■ Number of Recordable Still Pictures (approx.)

Image Quality	HDC-DX1				
	Capacity	SDHC Memory Card	SD Memory Card		
		4GB*	2GB*	1GB*	512MB*
1920 x 1080 pixels [16:9]		3290	1680	820	410
		5170	2630	1290	650

• High Picture Quality • Normal Picture Quality
 • These figures vary depending on the subject being photographed.
 *Usable capacity will be less.

HDC-SD1

Mode	Capacity	SDHC Memory Card			
		4GB*	2GB*	1GB*	512MB*
HF (13Mbps)		40 min.	20 min.	10 min.	5 min.
HN (9Mbps)		60 min.	30 min.	15 min.	7 min.
HE (6Mbps)		90 min.	45 min.	22 min.	10 min.

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		4GB*	2GB*	1GB*	512MB*
1920 x 1080 pixels [16:9]		3290	1670	820	410
		5160	2630	1290	640

*We recommend using the DVD disc made by Panasonic for moving picture recording.
 *We recommend using SD Memory Cards and SDHC Memory cards conforming to class2 or higher of the SD Speed Class Rating or the following SD Memory Cards made by Panasonic for motion picture recording.
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