Wildlife and Nature Photography Equipment Recommendations

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Full Frame Cameras

Sony A7RIV FX Mirrorless Camera

ILCE-7RM4
61 MP FX-Format CMOS Sensor
35.7 x 23.8 mm sensor size
NP-FZ100 Lithium-ion Battery
Max Resolution 9504 x 6336
Pixel width = 35.7 / 9504 = 0.00376 = 3.76 microns
Pixel height = 23.8 / 6336 = 0.00376 = 3.76 microns
\$3,200
23.50 oz. (1.47 pounds)

Full Frame Lenses

Sony Vario-Tessar T* FE 16-35 mm F4 ZA OSS Wide Angle Zoom Lens

107 - 63 degrees
Filter 72 mm
Minimum Focus Distance 11.02"
Image Stabilized
ALC-SH134 Lens Hood
3-1/2" x 4-7/8"
\$1,350
18.27 oz (1.14 pounds)

Sony FE 24-105 mm F4 G OSS Lens

SEL24105G 84-23 degrees Filter: 77 mm Minimum Focus Distance 1.25 ft Image Stabilized ALC-SH152 Lens Hood 3-3/8 x 4-1/2 in \$1,400 23.4 oz (1.46 pounds)

Sony FE 28-70 mm f/3.5-5.6 OSS Lens

Filter 55 mm
75 - 34 degrees FX FOV
Minimum Focus Distance 11.81"
Image Stabilized
ALC-SH132 plastic bayonet hood
2-7/8 x 3-3/8"
\$400
10.41 oz. (0.65 pounds)

Sony FE 70-300 mm F4.5-5.6 G OSS Lens

34 - 8 degrees
Filter 72 mm
Minimum Focus Distance 2.96 ft
Image Stabilized
ALC-SH144 Lens Hood
3 3/8 x 5 3/4"
\$1,200
30.2 oz (1.89 pounds)

Sony FE 90 mm F2.8 Macro G OSS Lens

27 degrees
Filter 62 mm
Minimum Focus Distance 11.02"
Image Stabilized
ALC-SH138 Lens Hood
3-1/8 x 5-1/4"
\$1,100
21.3 oz (1.33 pounds)

Sony G Master FE 100-400mm super-telephoto zoom lens

SEL100400GM

24° -6° 10'

FILTER: 77 mm

MINIMUM FOCUS DISTANCE 3.22 ft

Image Stabilized

9" x 4.5"

Can be used with 1.4x and 2x teleconverters

\$2500

WEIGHT 49.3 oz (3.1 pounds)

Sony FE 200-600mm f/5.6-6.3 G OSS Lens

SEL200600G

12° 30' to 4° 10'

FILTER: 95 mm

MINIMUM FOCUS DISTANCE 7.87 ft

Image Stabilized

4.39 x 12.52"

Can be used with 1.4x and 2x teleconverters

\$2000

WEIGHT 74.4 oz (4.65 pounds)

Sony 1.4x Teleconverter Lens

SEL14TC

DIMENSIONS (DIAMETER X LENGTH) 62.4 x 42.7 mm

\$550

WEIGHT 7.3 oz

Sony 2x Teleconverter Lens

SEL20TC

DIMENSIONS (DIAMETER X LENGTH) 62.4 x 42.7 mm

\$550

WEIGHT 7.3 oz

APS-C Cameras

Sony Alpha a6500 Mirrorless Digital Camera

ILCE6500/B
24.2 MP DX-Format CMOS Sensor
23.5 x 15.6 mm sensor size
Max Resolution 6000 x 4000
Pixel width = 23.5 / 6000 = 0.0039 = 3.9 microns
Pixel height = 15.6 / 4000 = 0.0039 - 3.9 microns
Guide No. 19 ft. at ISO 100
\$900
15.98 oz. (1 pound)

APS-C Lenses

Sony E 10-18mm f/4 OSS Lens

Filter Thread 62 mm 109°-76° Minimum Focus Distance 9.84" Image Stabilized \$750 Nikon CL-0815 Soft Lens Case 8 oz. (0.5 pounds)

Sony E PZ 16-50 mm F3.5-5.6 OSS Lens

Filter 40.5 mm
Angle of View 83° - 32°
Minimum Focus Distance 9.84"
Image Stabilized
\$400
4.1 oz. (0.26 pounds)

Sony E 18-135mm f/3.5-5.6 OSS Lens

Filter Thread 55 mm
76°-12°
Minimum Focus Distance 17.76"
Image Stabilized
\$500
SEL18135
11.5 oz. (0.72 pounds)

Sony E 55-210 mm F4.5-6.3 OSS Lens

Filter 49 mm 29°-7°40' Minimum Focus Distance 39.32" Image Stabilized \$350 Nikon CL-1020 Soft Case 12.2 oz. (0.8 pounds)

Sony E 70-350 mm F4.5-6.3 G OSS

SEL70350G
Filter Thread 67 mm
22°-4° at 40 feet
MINIMUM FOCUS DISTANCE 3.61–4.93 ft
Image Stabilized
DIMENSIONS 3-1/8 x 5-5/8"
\$900
22.1 oz (1.4 pounds)

Cases

Tenba Solstice 20L Camera Backpack (Blue)

Interior Dimensions: 9.5 x 18.5 x 6.5" Exterior Dimensions: 11 x 19 x 9"

\$170

Weight 2.25 lbs

Tenba Solstice 12L Camera Backpack (Blue)

Interior Dimensions: 7.5 x 17.5 x 6" Exterior Dimensions: 9 x 18 x 8"

\$125

Weight 2.0 lbs

Tenba Solstice Sling Bag (10L, Blue)

Exterior Dimensions: 9.5 x 17.5 x 7"

\$75

Weight: 1.6 lbs

Think Tank Photo Digital Holster 30 V2.0 Camera Bag

Interior Dimensions: 7.3" W x 11.3-14.3" H x 5" D Exterior Dimensions: 8" W x 13–16" H x 5.5" D

\$80

Weight: 1.2 lbs

Think Tank SKIN™ 50 V3.0 Pouch

Attaches to Digital Holster above. Fits small water bottle and more.

Internal Dimensions: 5.5" W x 7" H x 4" D

\$40

Weight: 0.4 lb (0.2 kg)

Camera Straps

Peak Design Black Slide Camera Strap SL-BK-3

For heavy cameras and lenses

max length: 57" min length: 39" width 1.8" \$65

Weight: 5.2 oz.

Add double-sided 2 inch wide velcro around the metal buckles to protect the camera

Peak Design Black Slide Light SLL-BK-3

For mid-weight cameras and lenses

max length: 57" min length: 39" width 1.3" \$50

Weight: 3.7 oz.

Add double-sided 2 inch wide velcro around the metal buckles to protect the camera

Peak Design L-2 Leash Camera Strap (Original)

For light weight cameras and lenses

max length: 60" min length: 19" width 0.75"

\$40

Weight: 2.9 oz.

Add double-sided 2 inch wide velcro around the metal buckles to protect the camera

Tripod / Monopod / Head

Manfrotto Element Traveller Tripod Big with Ball Head, Carbon Fiber

MKELEB5CF-BH

Load Capacity: 17.64 lb Max Height: 64.57" Folded Length: 16.34"

Leg Sections: 5 Twist Leg Locks

Aluminum Ball Head with Arca-type quick release plate

\$200

Weight: 3.1 lb

Sirui P-326 Carbon Fiber Monopod

Load Capacity: 22 lb Max Height: 61.4" Closed Length: 15.6"

Sections: 6 \$100

Weight: 14.4 oz (0.9 lb)

Really Right Stuff BH-30 Ball Head with Compact Lever-Release Clamp

15 lb Load Capacity

Max Height: 3"

Arca-type quick release plate

Panning Base with Engraved Degree Marks

Base Diameter 1.6", Ball Diameter 1.2"

\$295

Weight 11.2 oz

Neewer 2 Pieces Metal PU-60 60 Millimeter Universal Quick Shoe Plate with 1/4 inch Screw, Fits Arca-Swiss Standard for Camera Tripod Ball Head(Black)

\$15 at Amazon

Camera and Lens Size and Weight Combinations

Approximate sizes and weights:

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Sony A6500: 5.25 x 2.75", 15.98 oz (1 pound)
Sony A6500 + 16-50 mm: 3.5" long, 18.4 oz (1.2 pounds)
Sony A6500 + 10-18 mm: 4.75" long, 5.5" with hood, 22.3 oz (1.5 pounds)
Sony A6500 + 18-135 mm: 5.75 long", 6.75" with hood, 25.8 oz (1.6 pounds)
Sony A6500 + 55-210 mm: 6.5" long, 8" with hood, 26.5 oz (1.7 pounds)
Sony A6500 + 70-350 mm: 8" long, 9.125" with hood, 38.1 oz (2.4 pounds)
Sony A7RIV: 5.1 x 3.1", 23.50 oz. (1.47 pounds)
Sony A7RIV + 28-70 mm: 6.9" long, 8.4" with hood, 33.91 oz. (2.1 pounds)
Sony A7RIV + 16-35 mm: 8" long, 9.25" with hood, 41.77 oz (2.6 pounds)
Sony A7RIV + 90 mm: 8.4" long, 10.65" with hood, 44.8 oz (2.8 pounds)
Sony A7RIV + 24-105 mm: 7.6" long, 9.1" with hood, 46.9 oz (2.9 pounds)
Sony A7RIV + 70-300 mm: 8.9" long, 11.4" with hood, 53.7 oz (3.4 pounds)
Sony A7RIV + 100-400 mm: 12.1 long", 15.1" with hood, 72.8 oz (4.6 pounds)
Sony A7RIV + 100-400 mm + 2x: 13.1" long, 16.1" with hood, 80.1 oz (5 pounds)
Sony A7RIV + 200-600 mm: 15.6 long", 19.7" with hood, 100 oz (6.2 pounds)
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