

Canon

EOS C500

4K



CINEMA EOS

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The EOS C500 4K Digital Cinema Camera is a camera with few competitors. It capitalizes on the superb ergonomic design and incorporates the same Canon-developed Super 35mm 4K CMOS image sensor as the C300, retaining identical capabilities in terms of in-camera recording of HD video onto Compact Flash (CF) cards. But it is there that the similarities end.

The EOS C500 offers significantly more contemporary high-resolution motion imaging choices. The camera supports uncompressed 2K or HD 4:4:4 RGB video components – with an additional choice of 12-bit or 10-bit depth for each – at up to 60 progressive fps, which are externally recorded. By employing the YCbCr component video set at a 10-bit depth, the EOS C500 can extend that picture capture rate up to 120 fps.

In addition, anticipating the inexorable march of 4K production, this same camera can be switched to a 4K imaging mode that is user-selectable between the cinema-centric 4096x2160 format, or the television-centric 3840x2160 UHD-TV format (sometimes called QuadHD). In this Imaging mode, the camera delivers a 4K RAW

“How much can I push the envelope with the C500? I really had nothing that stopped me in the most dramatic way I could.”

Jeff Cronenweth, ASC / Director of Photography for “Man & Beast”

Above: Behind the scenes on the set of the 4K short film “Man & Beast.”

on picture production and HD television production arenas, as well as in the steadily emerging 4K motion imaging arenas. With that in mind, Canon launched a large Cinema EOS project that encompassed a parallel development of four Cinema EOS cameras and a family of Cinema Prime and Zoom lenses. The latter have been carefully designed to meet the optical performance expectations of 4K imaging. This unique strategy ensures the exceptional creation of HD and 2K lenses, as well as the production of a flexible 4K lens-camera motion imaging system without peer.

PL camera mount is recognized as the industry standard for large-format cinematography — for both motion picture film digital cameras. Cinema Zoom lenses are all available in PL mount and, accordingly, provide the most contemporary optical performance to all Super 35mm digital and film cameras, as well as the Canon Cinema EOS C500 and C300 cameras. Canon also recognized the existence of a huge global constituency of still-image photographers using the extensive range of Canon EF lenses, with many aspiring to transition to digital motion imaging. Therefore, Canon chose to make the Cinema Zoom lenses available with the alternative EF mount, and has also developed a range of EF mount 4K Cinema lenses. In concert with this strategy, the EOS C500 camera is also available in PL mount or EF mount.

Canon Cinema Lenses

Canon offers a complete line of cinema lenses, including Zooms, Compact Zooms and Primes. All of these lenses fulfill contemporary production standards, further enhancing the performance of any imaging system. And each lens features an 11-blade aperture diaphragm to help ensure beautiful bokeh. Markings on both sides of the lens barrel simplify focus reading and aperture setting from front and on either side of the camera, while torque of the control ring maintains proper resistance. To enable film crews to change lenses quickly and without adjusting the rig setup, each category of Cinema Lenses shares a uniform front diameter, rotation angle for manual controls, and gear positions.

Canon Cinema Zoom and Compact Zoom Lenses

Canon Cinema Zoom and Compact Zoom Lenses use new optical materials, new optical coatings and powerful new design techniques to offer extraordinary 4K optical performance. All Zoom lenses feature large aspherical lens elements that help achieve sharp, consistent images, and a geared inner-focusing mechanism that minimizes focus-induced changes in the angle-of-view, greatly reducing focus breathing. All of these lenses are available with industry-standard PL-mount or Canon's EF-mount.

The wide-angle Cinema Zoom CN-E14.5–60mm T2.8 L S/SP represents a masterpiece of contemporary optical design, with a focal range that was chosen to meet a wide range of needs for movie-making and high-end television production, and a resolution that exceeds 4K. The Cinema Zoom telephoto CN-E30–300mm T2.95–3.7 L S/SP lens rivals best-in-class zoom lenses, in a surprisingly low-weight, opto-mechanical housing.

Canon Cinema Compact Zoom Lenses offer 4K resolution in factors that enable more flexible, less intrusive shooting. The CN-E15.5–47mm T2.8 L S/SP delivers a wide to medium range of focal lengths, while the CN-E30–105mm T2.8 L S/SP offers wide to modest telephoto shots. Both zoom lenses are available for Steadicam™ and hand-held shooting.

Canon Cinema Prime Lenses

The flexible series of Canon Cinema Prime Lenses offers spectacular image quality and a full-frame image circle, in lightweight, compact designs. This family of lenses features high optical speed, advanced conventional, ultra-low dispersion, and super-contrast and

entire image plane. In addition to offering full compatibility with existing lenses, the EOS C500's EF mount opens new, creative possibilities with Canon specialty lenses, including Tilt-Shift, Macro and Canon's exhilarating EF 8–15mm f/4L Fisheye USM zoom lens.

Tilt-Shift Lenses — TS-E lenses incorporate tilt and shift functions to extend the shooting advantages of technical cameras to the EOS system. Tilt movements alter the angle of the focal plane between the lens and image sensor, modifying depth-of-field independently of the lens aperture. Shift movements slide the lens' optical axis along the plane of the image sensor, enabling photographers to correct perspective to almost any angle, and help add unimagined drama to a scene.

Macro Lenses — By revealing the finest detail and achieving extraordinary edge-to-edge accuracy at very shallow depth-of-field, macro photography can be an ultimate optical performance. Canon EF specialty lenses include ultra-precise macro lenses and three screw-on, close-up lenses. Accompanied by the Life-Size Converter EF and Extension Tube accessories, Canon's macro lens array provides valuable imaging options for the EOS C500 camera.

Fisheye Zoom Lens — Super wide-angle and special-angle photography let you capture each subject from a unique perspective. The Canon EF 8–15mm f/4L Fisheye USM is the world's first fisheye zoom lens to create circular images at a 180-degree angle-of-view on full-frame DSLRs.

Canon L-Series Lenses

Canon L-series Lenses are highly regarded by video professionals who demand uncompromising optical performance. The specialty lenses incorporate a number of innovative Canon technologies, including Ultra-low Dispersion (UD) glass, fluorite and aspherical lens elements, plus Super Spectra Multi Coating.



Canon specifically for high frame rate motion imaging. The 8.85 Megapixel sensor's performance has been claimed in the EOS C300 for its outstanding sensitivity, and that same range of ISO 320 to ISO 200000 product of the novel photodiode design and the larger photosite area – is fully maintained in the EOS C500 for 2K/HD and 4K operation. The uniquely organic nature of the image sensor noise (devoid of any pattern noise) at high ISO settings has been widely commented upon as being evocative of motion picture film grain. The 12-stop dynamic range imparts a superb tonal reproduction, as well as an exposure latitude that helps ensure clarity in deeply shadowed areas of a scene while also preserving details in overexposed portions. The rich color reproduction is a product of Canon's mastery of Color Filter Array (CFA) design and image sensor spectral response.

2K and 2K Origination

Central design goal for the EOS C500 was to ensure that this 4K-format single-sensor camera would produce the highest possible quality HD or 2K over a broad range of frame rates. EOS C500 originates 1920x1080 HD in the same unique sensor as in the EOS C300. This entails direct readout of the image sensor (operating in a 3840x2160 Quad-HD sampling mode), not as the traditional singular RAW signal but rather as parallel 1920x1080 video components. This capability immediately creates an RGrGbB, 4-4-4-4 12-bit component set without any debayering process whatsoever, thus totally eliminating any reconstruction errors associated with that process.

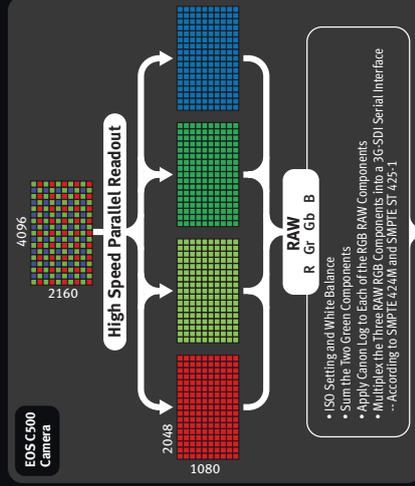
Subsequent summation of the two green video components – Gr and Gb – creates a uniquely enhanced sensor that has exceptionally high sharpness and virtually no horizontal and vertical aliasing. This summed green component is also endowed with an increased effective dynamic range. The EOS C500 thus prepares an exceptionally wide 12-bit 1920x1080 RGB 4-4-4 HD component set having excellent overall image performance.

The alternative cinematic 2K mode, this component set is derived from the 4096x2160 photosite sampling of the image sensor, and becomes a 2048x1080 RGB 4-4-4 set, each component at full 12-bit depth.



Canon Log – Ensures tonal reproduction for both highlight and lowlight regions during post-production.

2K/HD RAW Data Signal Processing



External Digital Recorder	Recording Formats:		
	12-bit or 10-bit	RGB	up to 60P
	10-bit	HD/2K YCrCb	from 62 – 120P

2K Multiple Output Formats

Mode	Resolution	Frame Rate
2K RGB 4-4-4 12-bit	2048 x 1080 / 1920 x 1080	59.94p / 29.97p / 23.98p / 50.00p / 25.00p / 24.00p
2K RGB 4-4-4 10-bit	2048 x 1080 / 1920 x 1080	59.94p / 29.97p / 23.98p / 50.00p / 25.00p / 24.00p

2K Slow and Fast Motion Recording Chart

Mode	Resolution	Frame Rate
2K Slow	2048 x 1080 / 1920 x 1080	59.94p / 29.97p / 23.98p / 50.00p / 25.00p / 24.00p
2K Fast	2048 x 1080 / 1920 x 1080	59.94p / 29.97p / 23.98p / 50.00p / 25.00p / 24.00p

operate at high frame rates. The only processing baked into these RAW signals are two gain settings: one related to camera ISO setting, and the second related to white balance. Canon Raw is stored as file clips, and each frame is in a Media Format file. A specific take within a shooting project is stored in a folder containing multiple file clips. From origin within the image sensor to final playback through the display, there is no loss in overall picture quality in either HD or 2K modes. Full color space and exposure latitude is preserved, and downstream digital image manipulations are superbly supported.

Canon Log

One of the critical design goals of the EOS C500 was to ensure that the uncompressed 2K or HD component video set could be interfaced with multiple well-known digital recorders via a standard serial digital interface. As such, the total data rate over this interface had to be carefully managed. A key element is that Canon Log is applied to the three R component-video signals, as is ensuring that the full 12 stop of dynamic range are protected in that recording process.

It is important to note that this is the only form of video processing applied to these signals and, accordingly, the RAW integrity is ensured. The associated mathematics at coding levels of Canon Log are published on the Cinema website; this information allows restoration in post-production of the RGB components to three linear video component bit depths of 14 or 16 bits. Traditional RGB video processing is subsequently applied in the grading and finishing process.

HD and 2K Recording

Because the Canon RAW signals are, in fact, a 4-4-4 RGB component-video set, they are carefully multiplexed in the EOS C500 in strict accordance with the SMPTE 424M and SMPTE ST 425-1 3G-SDI video standards. (This standardization is how to multiplex four component RGB+A into a single serial stream.) The EOS C500 features two separate 3G-SDI interface connectors. At the internationally standardized progressive picture capture rates of 23.97/24.0/25/29.7/50 only one of the 3G-SDI interfaces is required to transport 12-bit 4-4-4 RGB video components to the relevant external recorder's.

When higher frame rate operation is desired for slow motion effects – up to a limit of 120P – then the two 3G-SDI interfaces are required in order to transport the far higher data rate entailed. And here, the component set will be switched to 12-bit RGB to 10-bit YCrCb. The EOS C500 can also be switched to deliver an alternative 10-bit RGB via the single 3G-SDI output serial interface if either the image recorder or the post-production system operates at this lower bit depth.

Slow and Fast Motion Recording

In addition to the EOS C500's operation over the range of fixed, worldwide picture capture rates listed above, creative

two-frame steps; and from 62 to 120 fps the system switches to Half-RAW format and the picture capture rate is selectable in two-frame steps.

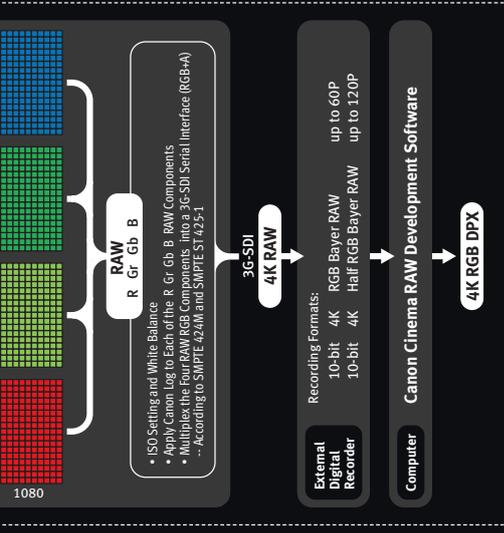
Proxy Video Recording In-camera

While the EOS C500 camera is recording 4K, 2K or HD the external recorder, the internal MPEG-2 codec always records an 8-bit 4:2:2 1920x1080 HD video conversion 50 Mbps to create a high-quality proxy file. This data is recorded to two Compact Flash (CF) cards using the industry standard Material Exchange Format (MXF) wrapper format.

4K Interval Recording and Frame Recording

The EOS C500 incorporates an Interval Recording function that facilitates programming the camera to record a specified number of frames at specified intervals for time-lapse capture. For stop-motion animation and other effects, the Frame Recording mode enables the EOS C500 to record a selectable preset number of video frames each time the record button is pressed.

Mode	Resolution	Frame Rate
4K RAW 10-bit	4096x2160 / 3840x2160	59.94p / 29.97p / 23.98p / 50.00p / 25.00p / 24.00p
	1920x1080	59.94p / 29.98p / 23.98p / 50p / 25p / True 24 (24.00)
50 Mbps (CBR) 4:2:2 4:2:1@HL	1280x720	59.94p / 29.98p / 23.98p / 50p / 25p / True 24 (24.00)
	1920x1080	59.94p / 29.98p / 23.98p / 50p / 25p
35 Mbps (VBR) 4:2:0 MP@HL	1280x720	59.94p / 29.98p / 23.98p / 50p / 25p
	1920x1080	59.94p / 29.98p / 23.98p / 50p / 25p



records its RAW file as a multiplex of four separate 2K components.

readout of the 4K image sensor is always a direct function of a 4:4:4 RGB+B component set – each being 12-bit. Those 12-bit parallel signals fully retain all of the color-coded information from the 4096x2160 photosites which utilize a classic Bayer CFA).

RAW Power

These four 2K signals form the basis of Canon's RGB Bayer RAW information. The high bit rate components are first reformatted by a Canon Log transfer function to 10-bit signals. This step effectively protects the camera's 12-stop dynamic range capability, while also contributing to the bit reduction strategy required to create a viable RAW total frame data rate for the external digital 4K recorders.

These four components are then multiplexed in the EOS C500 according to the SMPTE 424M and SMPTE ST 425-1 3G-SDI video standards by slotting the four GbB components into the four RGB+A channels stipulated in those standards. The resulting single serial digital file comprises the Canon RAW output file.

The file has embedded audio files, complying with the BWF standard, and an associated management file that contains information about the RAW file, the audio file and Metadata tags, etc. All details of the Canon 4K RAW file have been shared with all collaborating recording manufacturers. This RAW signal like no other in the 4K world, and it is powered with some stellar attributes – not the least of which is that it constitutes a highly robust, uncompressed signal for recording.

Recording

Canon RGB Bayer RAW serial interface is accepted by plus image recorders that operate with the EOS C500. One of these external recorders has its own unique design associated data-management strategy. Some recorders compressed, some apply mild compression, while others decode to other industry formats prior to recording. With a recording strategy, there is an associated workflow carries through to editing and final grading in post-production. This diversity of workflows helps facilitate the plus workflow preferences for moviemaking, high-end television origination, and TV commercial production.

EOS C500 sends the 10-bit 4K RAW (in either format) via the 3G-SDI interface connections at picture capture rates of 23.97/24.0/25/29.7P. Because of the high overall frame rate necessary for 50P and 60P, two 3G-SDI interfaces are required. Picture capture rates up to 120P are also possible using two interfaces, but here the vertical is limited to 1080 lines to create a Half-RAW file that stays in the total required 6 Gbps limit. These vertical lines are restored in post-production.

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operating with the camera at either 2K/HD or 4K. In the case of the former, there is an essentially seamless transfer of 2K/HD component 4:4:4 RGB into the post-production suite – the primary variable being the choice of 12-bit or 10-bit system operation. Transcoding to other industry file formats may be required, and some external recorders can handle this function; some deliver DPX files as their output. In the case of 4K shooting, the unique four-component Canon RGB Bayer RAW signal faithfully transports the 4K Bayer color encoding via 3G-SDI interfaces to the recorders. Within the various recorders, these Canon files are managed in different ways.

Workflow varies between moviemaking and television production, and is even more dependent upon innovation and practices of all involved. How file backups are implemented, dailies prepared, whether initial workflow is preferred on set or near set – all of these decisions are based upon technical and creative philosophies. Flexibility is the key, and Canon reached out to the established recording manufacturers. Each has quite different implementations within the recorders themselves. They offer different outputs, and some have ancillary media-management stations.

Innovative Approach to 4K RAW Systemization

A fact that Canon chose to structure the 4K RAW file in complete accordance with the universal 3G-SDI interface standard adds a truly unique systemization strength to the C500 system. The 4K serial RGB Bayer RAW signal can be passed directly through any digital router that embodies a 3G-SDI SMPTE interface, and can be input to any production recorder that also utilizes such an interface.

In mobile hand-held shooting is used, the RAW signal can be connected to a miniature wireless transmitter mounted on the camera and the RAW file can be sent to a recorder elsewhere on the set. In addition, the RAW signal can be sent over a fiber link using 3G-SDI compatible output encoders, and also sent to a transmission recorder that accepts 3G-SDI inputs and then sent via satellite, cable, or Telco link, depending upon the nature of the encoder.

In live television production, the ability to pass the 4K RAW signal through an existing 3G broadcast infrastructure opens significant systemization degrees of freedom.

RAW Workflow

In this, it is the choice of 4K RAW recorder that will determine much of the overall workflow. One recorder transcodes the Canon files to 4K high level ProRes and a proxy data rate proxy, with both recorded on an SSD card. A card reader takes these files directly into post-production. In an alternative, this recorder will also record and play back the Canon 4K file and output this via a Thunderbolt interface to a Mac or PC workstation loaded with Canon's RAW development software. The latter application debayers these 4K files and converts them to RGB DPX files that then can go directly to post-production.

Another recorder records the Canon 4K files to SSD cards



Digital Recorders – The Nerve Center of 2K/HD and 4K Workflows

File-based workflows have become the norm in contemporary digital production, closely emulating Digital Intermediate workflows developed for motion picture film origination. This has been scanned to digital. Canon is presently working closely with six international digital recording manufacturers to optimize 4K/2K/HD acquisition systems. These recorders come in many flavors – some record the files directly uncompressed and output the same upon playback, others transcode the files to other alternatives like ProRes, while still others debayer within the recorder and deliver RGB DPX files.

In the case where the Canon 4K files themselves are delivered, they can be played into a computer with Canon Development Application software that will debayer and output 4K, RGB as DPX files.

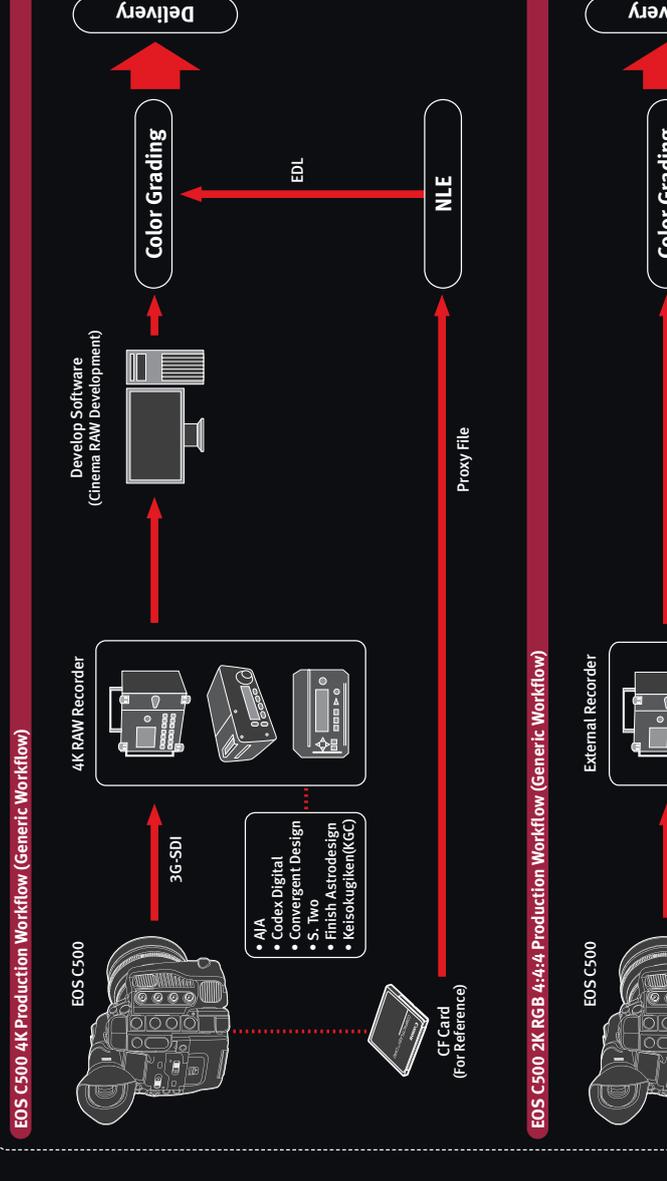
2K or HD 4:4:4 Recording workflows

Production generally starts with a decision to work with either of the 12-bit or 10-bit depth RGB outputs that can be selected on the EOS C500 camera. Canon Log has been applied to either format to ensure faithful capture of the camera's total 12-stop dynamic range. An external recorder accepts this RGB 4:4:4 2K or HD output via a 3G-SDI interface and records it as DPX files onto SSD cards. The cards are subsequently loaded into a reader that transmits these files via fast Thunderbolt, Firewire or USB to a Mac or PC workstation.

Another recorder directly records the RGB 4:4:4 to SSD cards and then loads these into a compact, on-set media management station that can, in turn, perform a variety of transcodes and play back the programming as DPX files to ProRes, and Open EXR, all of which can then go directly to the grading process. Yet another recorder internally transcodes the input to ProRes at a high level and records those files and a secondary lower data rate proxy version. Their associated reader plays these back into the post-production grading system.

“From camera to mobile to DI bank the look is controlled the whole way through and we get to start coloring right away creatively.”

John Daro / Senior Colorist for “Man & Beast”



...t, first and foremost, supported both mobility and superb hand-held maneuverability in order to facilitate shooting from fast moving vehicles and in very confined spaces, as well as allow dramatic low

...ts and flexible Steadicam™ operation. Conceptual model was the compact 16mm film camera that had been honed after decades of design at the digital cine camera of today has been given far more powerful 2K/4K digital imaging capabilities. The low weight was a particular priority, it was tempered by the need for an exceedingly rugged

...ign that anticipates multiple shooting modes in challenging environments. The central camera body is accompanied by accessories that can quickly empower the camera operator to manage a diverse range of shooting modes. A high-resolution EVF, electronic focus aids, a waveform monitor to aid exposure, a vectorscope and wireless remote control all add to that empowerment.



Impact, Modular, Lightweight Design
EOS C500 features a compact, fully-modular design for enhanced mobility and expandability; the robust, splash-resistant body features a special magnesium alloy for additional rigidity and toughness. In addition to a low-angle Era-Handle Extension, a removable LCD Monitor and Control Panel with XLR audio inputs help ensure maximum maneuverability.

Compatibility with Third-party Accessories
Canon has collaborated with a number of third-party vendors to help ensure full plug-and-play compatibility with a range of accessories, including control rings, marking discs and alignment knobs. Geared control rings are a must-have for wind-up lenses; a wind-around gear mounted on the focus ring lets the chosen lens function with similar follow-focus rigs. A marking disk provides space for measured positions when shifting focus.

and PL Mount versions

EOS C500 is available with the industry-standard PL mount that accepts a wide range of options from the global inventory of cinematography lenses, especially

EF and PL Mount

Wireless File Transmitter WFT-E6A

...mixing between the two source channels; channel reversal is also provided. Switchable mic-level trim is available at -6dB, 0dB or +12dB, plus 48V phantom power for condenser microphones. A built-in limiter controls sudden signal peaks that can cause overload and distortion. A 1kHz test tone switchable to -12, -18 or -20dB levels enables system setup and alignment.

Full Manual Control with Customization

The EOS C500 offers full manual control of all functions including iris, shutter speed, gain, zoom, focus and audio levels, thereby allowing the camera operators to adapt to both technical and artistic challenges during shooting. For maximum customization, access is provided to Custom Picture Settings, Custom Functions and Custom Display Options to tailor the EOS C500 precisely to specific shooting needs.

Ultra-high Resolution EVF, Focus Aids, Waveform Monitor, Vectorscope and Edge Monitor

The EOS C500 features an ultra-high resolution 0.52-inch Megapixel electronic viewfinder/EVF with a widescreen aspect ratio. An approximately 100% field-of-view coverage ensures comfortable and accurate image composition, and color adjustment. The supplied Monitor Unit's 4.0-inch LCD panel offers a 1.23 Megapixel resolution for enhanced viewing convenience; it rotates forwards and backwards through 270 degrees with an optimal position for shoulder-mounted shoots. Enabling easy checking of scene composition while using the camera at low angles, the LCD panel can also be rotated for monitoring from one side of the camera.

For added flexibility, the LCD panel can also be mounted in various positions to accommodate different viewing positions required by the operator, director or producer. Such flexibility and ease of movement makes the display easier to use in a rigid design, which can be easily bumped or jarred during shoot.

Two peaking modes and a magnify-focus assist that are available in both standby and record mode make it extremely easy to check and confirm critical focus. An Edge Monitor Focus Assist system, which was first introduced with the Canon XF series camcorders, shows overall focus of the image plus focus status of focus-check boxes.

A versatile waveform monitor provides detailed analysis of both overall image brightness and RGB components, while an on-board vectorscope displays real-time image hue and saturation analysis while checking color balance, and lets you view the effects of white balance adjustments.

Wireless File Transmitter WFT-E6A Unit with Remote Capabilities

To provide unique capabilities, the EOS C500 can be used

duction, and television commercial shoots. Built to withstand the most adverse conditions encountered during film and video shoots, the EOS C500 delivers pristine-quality images and full-fidelity audio. The camera body is compact and lightweight – yet superbly rugged and durable – and can be taken where and mounted in countless configurations that open up endless creative possibilities. This is the camera intended to meet the most imaginative aspirations of the creative community. Reliably dependable in capturing the highest possible HD or 2K digital imagery for today's programming needs, the EOS C500 also future-proofs your investment by embodying full 4K capabilities. This is a camera the production team can depend on. With its complete range of 50 and 60Hz based frame rates (up to 24 fps) for all its formats, it is ready to shoot anywhere in the world. And because it is supported by multiple international recording manufacturers, the EOS C500 is not bound to any recording format or recording media – that choice remains squarely in the hands of the production team.

Rugged, Durable and Quiet

To help ensure reliable operation, the EOS C500 features a splash-resistant, splash-proof design intended to withstand the harshest environments when in use in the field, with sealing around edges of access covers, and control dials fitted with a sealing O-ring on the axis of rotation. Button key-tops are also sealed with rubber boots to keep out moisture.

The EOS C500 also features a carefully designed cooling system with fans and vents at separate positions on the side of the camera draw to help prevent unwanted heat out of the EOS C500's body.

for continuous shoots. The second CF card takes over automatically after the first becomes full.

To further help reduce your workload during editing, Canon's free Data Import Utility software application – available in both Windows®- and Macintosh®-compatible formats – automatically recognizes divided media as a single continuous file. A 64GB card offers 160 minutes of recording time at a 50 Mbps record data rate.

Terminals

The EOS C500 comes complete with essential I/O interfaces via professional-grade BNC, XLR and multi-pin connectors. A pair of 3G-SDI connectors output the Canon Log Gamma data and audio signals at resolutions and frame rates established within the EOS C500's 4K/2K priority mode settings. Two additional Monitor BNC connectors can be used to connect a 2K/HD video signal to an external monitor mounted on the camera, as well as possibly to an on-set master monitor, with a choice of either Rec709 or Wide color-adjustment look-up tables (LUTs).

A Sync Out connection carries a choice of HD Sync/HD-SDI black burst/composite signals, while a Genlock Input allows the EOS C500 to synchronize with external video systems. A dedicated timecode In/Out connector enables the camera to either lock to external timecode or feed its internally generated timecode to an external system.

Designed to be fully Local Application Control Bus/LANC-compatible, the EOS C500 can be remotely controlled during situations where the operator cannot secure access to user controls and functions, or when using a tripod handle or jib arm that places the camera body beyond convenient reach.

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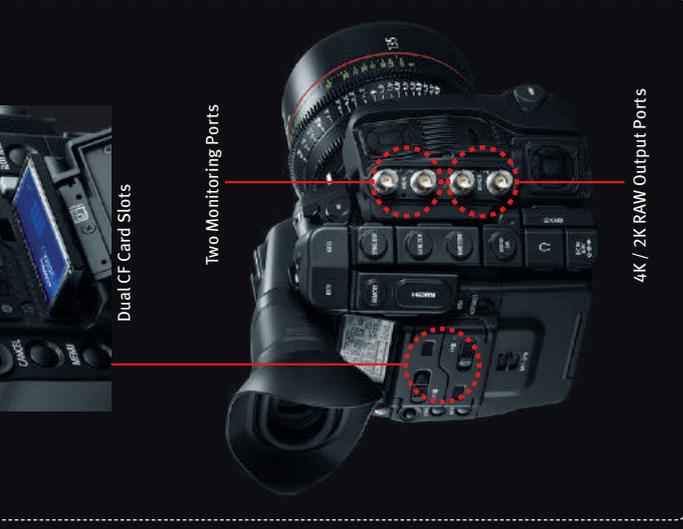
Pre-Record/PreRec mode constantly records approximately three seconds of video images to the EOS C500's internal buffer memory, helping ensure that you never miss a unique shooting opportunity on location.

Custom Pictures

In addition to full manual control of all functions, including iris, shutter speed, gain, zoom and focus, the EOS C500 provides access to Custom Picture Settings, Custom Functions and Custom Display Options that let users customize the camera to precisely their specific needs.

Black Balance Adjustment

If RGB black levels incur minor offsets – due perhaps to operation in very high environmental temperatures – they are automatically rebalanced when the lens is capped and the camera powered up.



4K / 2K RAW Output Ports



budgets, profit requirements and inevitable deadlines. Professionals want to know they are dealing with professionals; while dealing with Canon, you can count on a proven creative partner. Our service is world-class, with Canon support programs specially customized to meet your needs. And, to help ensure that you remain current with new technologies and techniques, our educational commitment spans the range of live and online resources.



Professional **SERVICE & SUPPORT** *Speed. Quality. Excellence.*

Dedicated Service for Professionals

Canon Hollywood Professional Technology & Support Center was established to bring our world-class service directly to motion picture studios, the television industry, independent producers and videographers. Located in the heart of Hollywood, CA, our facility is staffed with expert technicians who are fully prepared to take care of all your Cinema EOS products. We can accurately adjust cameras and lenses, repair both cinema and still-photography equipment, meet the needs of professionals like yourself who are working with tight and often inflexible deadlines.

For our industry-leading turnaround times and substantial in-stock parts inventories, we aim to get you back in action as quickly as possible. And while working on location, you can count on Canon's nationwide service centers for factory-quality repairs and immediate 24/7 Call Center support. And this is just part of our two-way relationship with you, the end user. Canon not only makes certain that all of your equipment is functioning perfectly when delivered, but we also use your valuable feedback and suggestions to help develop new and even better products. In fact, the Cinema EOS system was developed as a direct result of such industry feedback.

Support Programs Customized for Your Needs

For cinematographers, production companies, film schools and other industry professionals can take advantage of optional service programs tailored to meet their specialized needs. We offer service partnerships for full-service dealers as well as rental houses, thereby providing additional flexibility to our industry partners. We tailor our custom training programs to the needs of your specific film and TV productions



CANON **LIVE LEARNING**

Unsurpassed Educational Resources

Education is another important cornerstone of Canon's commitment to professional cinematographers. Whether working online, at a production lot or as part of a remote shoot, we are here to provide you with all the essential resources that you need to remain current and keep your creative passion alive.

Canon Live Learning (CLL) seminars and workshops are conducted nationwide and in our Hollywood Professional Technology and Support Center, with classes taught by industry experts as well as Canon's renowned and experienced Explorers of Light. Covering a wide range of still and cinema topics, ranging from techniques through equipment selection to in-depth system configuration, CLL events offer professional and enthusiasts alike the opportunity to sharpen their skills in a number of immersive hands-on settings.

Schedules are available at: usa.canon.com/canonlivelearning



CANON DIGITAL **LEARNING CENTER**



The **Canon Digital Learning Center**, our web-based education and information portal, is targeted at busy, working professionals. It is widely recognized for its depth of available information, which is presented in a friendly, compelling format. The Canon Digital Learning Center's comprehensive online resources include tutorials, interviews, QuickGuides and downloadable White Papers; it continues to grow with the addition of information in support of the new Cinema EOS family of video products. Available assets range from comprehensive system FAQs, technical articles by professional cinematographers, interactive menu and button simulation tutorials, sample videos, behind the scenes and much more. And because the Canon Digital Learning Center is

SYSTEM
 interchangeable lens system. Choice of PL- or EF-mounts for compatibility with a wide variety of lenses.
Focus Preset: Not Available
Less Zoom: Not Available
Teleconverter: Not Available
Inter-Mechanical ND Filter System: With option of Clear, 2, 4, and 6 stops
is Dial: Located on camera body for use with EOS EF Lenses with electronic internal (EF Camera version only)
erial Illumination Correction: Available on EF-mount Model only

ASURE AND METERING
ing Modes: Manual
ing Modes: Available
 Normal Setting: 6 dB to 30 dB / Fine Setting: 0 dB to 24 dB in 0.5 dB increments
 20 to 20000
ain Control (AGC): Not Available
less Gain: Not Available
er Compensation/AE Shift: Not Available
er Modes: 5 Modes: OFF, Speed, Angle, Slow Shutter, Clear Scan
Mode: Selected in 1/3- or 1/4-stop increments
Speed Range:
 1/5999-1/60 to 1/2000 in 1/4 or 1/3 stops; SL: 1/4, 1/8, 1/15, 1/30; CS: 1/924Hz - 250.27Hz
 P: 1/30 to 1/2000 in 1/4 or 1/3 stops; SL: 1/4, 1/8, 1/15; CS: 29.97Hz - 250.27Hz
 B: 1/24-1/24 to 1/2000 in 1/4 or 1/3 stops; SL: 1/3, 1/6, 1/12; CS: 23.97Hz - 250.27Hz
 1/150 to 1/2000 in 1/4 or 1/3 stops; SL: 1/3, 1/6, 1/12, 1/25; CS: 50.00Hz - 250.78Hz
 1/25 to 1/2000 in 1/4 or 1/3 stops; SL: 1/3, 1/6, 1/12; CS: 25.00Hz - 250.78Hz
er Angle Settings:
 1/5999-1/60, 216, 180, 120, 90, 60, 45, 30, 22.5, 15, 11.25
 P: 360, 240, 216, 180, 120, 108, 90, 60, 45, 30, 22.5, 15, 11.25
 1/24-1/360, 345.6, 288, 240, 180, 172.8, 144, 120, 90, 86.4, 72, 60, 45, 30, 22.5, 15, 11.25
 1/60, 300, 240, 180, 150, 120, 90, 60, 45, 30, 22.50, 15, 11.25
 1/60, 300, 240, 180, 150, 120, 90, 75, 60, 45, 30, 22.50, 15, 11.25
erture) Range: EF Lenses only - 1/2, 1/3-stop or fine setting can be selected
 In Manual Control on Cinema Lenses

INTERNAL RECORDING OUTPUT

Resolution	Frame Rate
4096x 2160 / 3840x 2160	59.94p / 29.97p / 23.98p / 50.00p / 25.00p / 24.00p
2048 x 1080 / 1920 x 1080	59.94p / 29.97p / 23.98p / 50.00p / 25.00p / 24.00p
2048 x 1080 / 1920 x 1080	59.94p / 29.97p / 23.98p / 50.00p / 25.00p / 24.00p

Space: 4:2:2 or 4:4:4
 Log: Yes

CORDING/CODES (INTERNAL)

System: 59.94Hz and 50Hz
 Session: 8-bit MPEG-2 Long GOP
 Space: 4:2:2
 um Bit rate: 50 Mbps (CNR)
 Log: Available
 ing Options:

Resolution	Frame Rate	Bit Rate (MB/s)
1920 x 1080	59.94 / 29.98p / 23.98p 50p / 25p True 24 (24.00)	35 Mbps
1280 x 720	59.94 / 29.98p / 23.98p 50p / 25p True 24 (24.00)	5 Mbps
1920 x 1080	59.94 / 29.98p / 23.98p 50p / 25p	5 Minutes
1280 x 720	59.94 / 29.98p / 23.98p 50p / 25p	10 Minutes
1440 x 1080	59.94 / 29.98p / 23.98p 50p / 25p	20 Minutes
		25 Minutes
		40 Minutes
		55 Minutes
		1 Hour 20 Min.
		1 Hour 50 Min.
		2 Hours 35 Min.
		3 Hours 45 Min.
		5 Hours 10 Min.

INPUT/OUTPUT
HD/SD SDI: Yes (with embedded audio);
 HD 8-bit 4:2:2 (YpPb) 1920 x 1080: 59.94i/50p/23.98/24.00i, 1280 x 720: 59.94i/50p/23.98/24.00i
 SD 8-bit 4:2:2 (YpPb) 480i: 59.94i, 57.6i: 50i BNC Connector, output only
SD-SDI:
 NTSC 480i/PAL 57.6i: Compliant with SMPTE 259M
 Embedded Audio: Compliant with SMPTE 272M
Timecode Standard: (VITC/LTC) SMTPE 12M
 HD-SDI: Compliant with SMPTE 292M
 1080i/720p: Compliant with SMPTE 292M
 Embedded Audio: Compliant with SMPTE 299M
Timecode Standard: (VITC/LTC) SMTPE 12M
 3G-SDI: Available; 2x-BNC
Output Modes: RAW (10-bit); RGB 4:4:4 (10-bit/12-bit); YCC 4:2:2 (10-bit)
Frame Rates: 23.98p/24.00p/25.00p/29.97p/59.94p/50p
Video Monitor Out: Available; 2x-BNC
Resolution: 2048 x 1080 / 1920 x 1080
Frame Rates: 23.98p/24.00p/25.00p/29.97p/30p/59.94p/50p/60p
Color Space: YpPb; 10-bit
Timecode In/Out: Yes; BNC Connector (Input and Output)
Genlock: Yes; BNC Connector Adjustment range: -1023 to +1023
Synch Out: Yes; BNC Connector
(1) HD-level signal (HD Sync) 1920 x 1080: 59.94i/50i/23.98/24.00i, 1280 x 720: 59.94p/50p/23.98/24.00p
(2) HD-Y signals (HD-Y) 1920 x 1080: 60i, 59.94i/50i, 1280 x 720: 60p/59.94p/50p; Only the HD standard analog component Y signal is output.
(3) Black burst signal 480i: 59.94i, 57.6i: 50i; The SD standard analog composite signal with the black muted is output.
(4) Composite 480i: 59.94i, 57.6i: 50i; The SD standard analog composite signals are output.

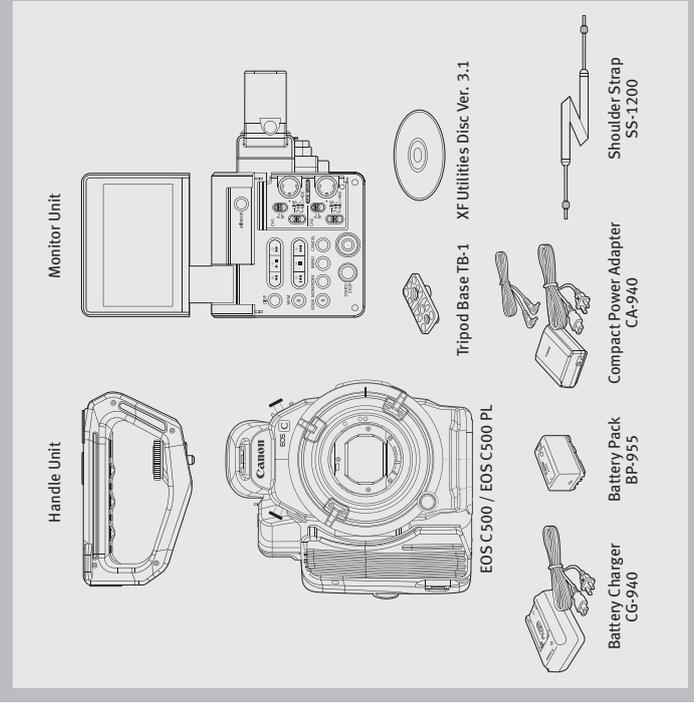
POWER
Supply: DC 7.4V (Battery Pack) / DC 8.4V (DC-in)
Power Terminal: DC-in on camera (no need for "Dummy Battery")
Battery: BP-9 Series (Excluding BP-925)
Compact Power Adapter: CA-940

ACCESSORIES
Tripod Adapter: Canon TA-100
Tripod Adapter Base: Canon TB-1
Zoom Remote Controller: Canon ZR2000
Wireless File Transmitter: WFT-E6A

OTHER
Dimensions (W x H x D):
 C500 Approx. 6.3 x 7.0 x 6.7 in. (160 x 179 x 171mm)
 C500 PL Approx. 6.3 x 7.0 x 7.0 in. (160 x 179 x 177mm)
 The following is the same for both models:
 C500 + Monitor Unit: Approx. 7.3 x 9.8 x 7.4 in. (185 x 249 x 187mm)
 C500 + Handle Unit + Monitor Unit: Approx. 7.3 x 11.2 x 11.9 in. (185 x 284 x 301mm)
Main Unit Weight:
 C500 Body: Approx. 4.0 lb. (1.820kg), C500 PL Body: Approx. 4.3 lb. (1.930kg)
 Monitor Unit: Approx. 1.4 lb. (645g), Handle Unit: Approx. 6.3 oz. (180g)
Total Equipped Weight:
 C500: Approx. 6.0 lb. (2705g)**; C500 PL: Approx. 6.2 lb. (2815g)**
 C500: Approx. 6.4 lb. (2885g)**; C500 PL: Approx. 6.6 lb. (2995g)**
 **Weights for both models include the monitor unit, BP-955, 2x CF cards.
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Temperature and Humidity: Performance requirements: 0°C to 40°C, 85% (relative humidity)
 Operating requirements: 5°C to 45°C, 60% (relative humidity)
Language Support: English, Japanese, Chinese, German, Spanish, French, Italian, Polish, Time and Date: Automatic Calendar Range: January 1st, 2010 through December 31st, 2010
selectable in American, Japanese and European Date formats.
World Clock: World Clock support - UTC time setting. Setting range: from +14:00 to -14:00

Field of View Coverage: 100%
 Display Adjustments: Brightness, Contrast, Color, Sharpness, and Backlight (Normal or Bright)
 Special Features: Black and White Display, and setting for viewing concurrent images on display

EOS C500 System



EOS C500 Kit Contents

- EOS C500 Body (with Camera Cover)
- Monitor Unit (with Microphone Holder Unit and Screws for MHU)
- BP-955 Battery Pack (with Terminal Cover)
- CG-940 Battery Charger
- CA-940 Compact Power Adapter



- XLR Mic Trimming: Available; -12, dB, -6 dB, 0 dB or +12 dB Limiter: Available
- Phantom Level Adjustment Range: -infinity to +18 dB
- Headphone Power: Available; +48V
- Headphone Adjustment: 16 Settings: Volume is muted at lowest setting
- Built-in Speaker: None
- 1kHz Tone: Available; -12, -18, or -20 dB
- Playback: Clip Display: 3x4 Index Display, Original, "OK Mark", "Check Mark", "Shot Mark", "Expand, Photo (SD Card), Clip Metadata
- Reverse Frame Advance, Record Review, Skip to Next Clip, Skip to Previous Clip
- Clip Information Display: Clip Metadata Display, Custom Picture Settings
- Clip Functions: Inter-media Copy (Single Clip, All Clips, Last Clip); Clip Delete (Single Clip, All Clips, Last Clip); Still Image Playback; Index, Single Playback, Erasure, Protect
- Slow and Fast Motion Recording:
- 4K RAW - 4096 x 2160 / 3840 x 2160 (Playback Rate: 60Hz / 24.00p) Record Rate: 1-60, 32-60 in 2 frame increments (Playback Rate: 50Hz) Record Rate: 1-50, 26-50 in 2 frame increments
- 4K HRAM - 4096 x 1080 / 3840 x 1080 (Playback Rate: 60Hz / 24.00p) Record Rate: 1-60, 62-120 in 2 frame increments (Playback Rate: 50Hz) Record Rate: 1-50, 52-100 in 2 frame increments
- 2K RGB 4444 - 2048 x 1080 / 1920 x 1080 (Playback Rate: 60Hz / 24.00p) Record Rate: 1-60, 32-60 in 2 frame increments (Playback Rate: 50Hz) Record Rate: 1-50, 26-50 in 2 frame increments
- 2K YCC 4222 - 2048 x 1080 / 1920 x 1080 (Playback Rate: 60Hz / 24.00p) Record Rate: 1-60, 62-120 in 2 frame increments (Playback Rate: 50Hz) Record Rate: 1-50, 52-100 in 2 frame increments
- 50 Mbps - 1920 x 1080 (Playback Rate: 29.97p/23.98p/24.00p) Record Rate: 1-30 (Playback Rate: 50i/25p) Record Rate: 1-25
- 50 Mbps - 1280 x 720 (Playback Rate: 59.94p/29.97p/23.98p/24.00p) Record Rate: 1-60 (Playback Rate: 50p/25p) Record Rate: 1-50
- 35 Mbps - 1920 x 1080 (Playback Rate: 29.97p/23.98p/24.00p) Record Rate: 1-30 (Playback Rate: 50i/25p) Record Rate: 1-25
- 35 Mbps - 1280 x 720 (Playback Rate: 59.94p/29.97p/23.98p/24.00p) Record Rate: 1-60 (Playback Rate: 50p/25p) Record Rate: 1-50
- 25 Mbps - 1440 x 1080 (Playback Rate: 29.97p/23.98p) Record Rate: 1-30
- Special Recording Functions: Relay Recording*; Double-Slot Recording**; Copying between Media
- ** Not available during Slow Motion 50 Mbps recording
- NOTE: Special features other than Slow and Fast Motion Recording are not available in 4K and 2K modes
- Photo Recording Mode: Available; Images captured to SD Card
- Waveform Monitor: Available; 2 Modes (Standard and RGB Component)
- Vectorscope: Available
- Exposure / Focus Aids: Peaking (2 types), Zebra Pattern*, Magnify, Edge Monitor Focus Assist, Black and White Mode (* Can be output via the SDI or HDMI back (HD Only))
- Interval Record: Available; ability to set time interval and number of frames to record
- Interval can be set in 25 levels ranging from 1 second to 10 minutes. (1s/2s/3s/4s/5s/6s/7s/8s/9s/10s/15s/20s/30s/40s/50s/1m/2m/3m/4m/5m/6m/7m/8m/9m/10m)
- 59.94p: Selectable between 2, 6, 12 frames
- 50/25p/50p: Selectable between 2, 6, 12 frames
- Frame Record: Available; Records a set number of frames each time the record button is pressed
- 59.94p/23.98p/24.00p: Selectable between 1, 3, 6, 9 frames
- 59.94p: Selectable between 2, 6, 12 frames
- 50/25p/50p: Selectable between 2, 6, 12 frames
- Pre-Record: Yes, 3 seconds cache (Audio and Video)
- Scan Reverse: When using a Depth-of-Field Converter or other lens adapters it flips or reverses the images automatically so it is recorded correctly.
- Timecode: Drop Frame (DF) and Non-Drop Frame (NDF)
- Drop Frame works with 59.94Hz mode only and is not available in 24P
- Timecode Modes: Regeneration, Record Run, Free Run and External Source
- Auto White Balance (AWB): Not Available
- White Balance: Kelvin Setting 2,000K to 15,000K in 100K increments
- White Balance Presets: Daylight (5,400K); Tungsten (3,200K);
- White balance shift is available within Presets (9 to +9)
- Auto Black Balance: Available
- Custom Picture Settings: 23 Custom Picture settings
- A total of 9 customized pictures are available in the camera and up to 20 can be saved to an SD card
- Custom pictures can be adjusted using the following settings and saved for later recall: Gamma, Black, Black Gamma, Low Key Saturation, Knees, Sharpness, Noise Reduction, Skin Detail, Selective Noise Reduction, Color Matrix, White Balance, Color Correction, Setup Level
- Custom Pictures CP8 and CP9 ship with the following presets:
- C8: Cinema - Suited for giving recorded media a film tone
- C9: EOS Standard - Used to match the quality of DSLR video shot in EOS standard mode
- Custom Functions: Available, 9 total functions
- Custom Displays: Available; LCD panel and EVF information display can be customized
- Total of 27 display and icons that can be turned on and off
- Assign Buttons: 1-5; can be assigned functions as desired (37 functions Available)
- Color Bars: Color bars compliant with SMPTE, EBU, or ARB standards can be selected.

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