

Bare Bones Guide to using the Panasonic DVX-100B miniDV Camcorder.



1. Power on.
2. Insert tape. Eject button is just above the power button. (note the 'close this first' warning inside - wait until the carriage has completed it's action before you close the cover)
3. Open the LCD monitor.
4. Press the AUTO button.

5. Remove the lens cap. It stores nicely if you slide it onto the end of the handgrip cover.

6. Plug in your headphones. Open the cover just below the power switch to locate the headphone jack.



7. Check the Audio CH 1 SELECT and CH 2 SELECT switches. The default setting is INT(L) and INT(R) which is the built-in stereo mic just above the lens. (when you put away the camera, be sure to restore these default settings if you've changed them)

If you want to use the shotgun mic, connect the 3-ft mic cable from the microphone to INPUT 2 (in front of the handgrip) and set both CH1 and CH2 SELECT switches to INPUT 2. The switches labeled MIC POWER +48V provide phantom power to the microphone and are not normally required. The Rode NTG-2 shotgun mic has an internal battery to provide power. If the sound quality starts to deteriorate, the mic's internal AA battery may be failing and you can switch INPUT 2 MIC POWER +48V to ON. (when you put away the camera, be sure to restore the default settings - OFF & OFF)

8. Adjusting your audio level. Use the dials on the side of the camera just below where the LCD panel stores. If the audio meter on the bottom of the LCD panel shows any red, turn it down a little.

