

# SJCAM SJ360 Plus - A Complete 360 Degree Full HD Camera

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## In brief

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## Features

- Dual lenses, you can record video 360 degrees without dead angle
- 1080P, full HD resolution
- 1700mAh large capacity battery
- Multiple recording modes

## Specification

- General
  - Brand Name: SJCAM
  - Model: SJ360+
  - Type: Panoramic Camera
  - Type of Camera: 1080P,360°Panorama
  - Chipset: SJCAM A7S
  - Function: WiFi
  - Features: Cool
- Storage
  - Max External Card Supported: TF 64G (not included)
- Display
  - Screen: Dual Screen
  - Screen size: 0.96 inch
  - Screen resolution: 64 x 48
- Power
  - Battery Type: Built-in
  - Battery Capacity (mAh): 1700mAh
  - Charge way: USB charge by PC
  - Working Time: 130min
  - Standby time: 4h
  - Charging Time: 3h

- Primary Info.
  - Lens Diameter: 16mm
- Video/Image/Audio
  - Video format: MP4
  - Video Resolution: 1080P(30fps)
  - Video Frame Rate: 30FPS
  - Image Format : JPG
- Functions
  - WIFI: Yes
  - WiFi Distance : 10m
- Dimension/Weight
  - Product weight: 0.0870 kg
  - Package weight: 0.3560 kg
  - Product size (L x W x H): 11.00 x 4.00 x 2.80 cm / 4.33 x 1.57 x 1.1 inches
  - Package size (L x W x H): 12.00 x 7.50 x 15.00 cm / 4.72 x 2.95 x 5.91 inches
- Package Contents
  - Package Contents: 1 x Chinese / English Instruction, 1 x Tripod, 1 x Cloth Bag, 1 x Cable, 1 x VR Panoramic Camera

## Accessories

This camera comes with very few accessories. In its box, we won't find any waterproof case, nor any particular mount because, as I said before, it's not exactly an action cam we are used to reviewing on this site. So we will find only the strictly necessary:

- 1 x SJ360+
- 1 x Manual
- 1 x Manual for the software
- 1 x Mini Tripod
- 1 x Cloth Bag
- 1 x Hand Strap
- 1 x USB Data / Charging Cable
- 1 x Lens Cleaning Cloth

This is also one of those refreshing cases where a tripod is right in there with the camera - very useful to shoot perfectly stable videos or photos. It is well built, and it seems really strong. Another good feature is the cloth carrying bag. It is a must, as it enables you to carry the camera without ruining the lenses.

## Design and Build Quality

This camera is not made for using on a bike, neither on a boat nor underwater! One just runs it like any other normal camera: in your hands. In fact, the shape suggests the one-handed use. The anti-slip textured plastic makes it easier and safer to grip.

(Also see: SMS Organizer From Microsoft - The Best Application to Filter SMS)

The cam features a clean, simple stick with two buttons, two lenses and one little screen. One button is located in the middle of the camera, naturally accessible with your thumb. Its function is just "Select" and "Start" recording, or "Shoot" a photo.

The other button is located on the left side of the camera. Its functions are to "Power On / Off", and to navigate various Menus and Settings. Both buttons are backlit - and it is a beautiful, and very useful thing! The tiny screen is well made as it is very bright and perfectly visible in every situation. The only thing I find quizzical is the place chosen for the SD card:

I can't quite grasp why they had to put the SD card behind the battery! To access the card you are forced to dismantle half of the camera and it's just... hm. Technology reasons? Hardly believable. One thing speaks for this though: when you are removing the SD card, the camera is sure to be Off.

## Menu Overview

The Menu on this camera is very simple. It hasn't an awful lot of choices, and everything is clear. The Menu begins, as always, with the fast modes:

1. Video mode
2. Photo mode
3. Wifi - On/Off
4. Settings

The Settings section is composed of:

- Language - English/Chinese/Japanese/French/Spanish/Italian/Portuguese/German/Polski/
- Video Resolution - 1920x1080 / 1472x736 / 960x480
- Loop Recording - Off / 1min / 3min / 5min
- Record Audio - On / Off
- Photo Resolution - 5M / 3M
- Key Tone - On / Off
- Auto Sleep - Off / 1min / 3min / 5min
- Format
- Reset Camera - Yes / No
- Version - v0.6
- Quit

See? There is not much to explain, this camera has just a few settings, nothing peculiar about it!

(Also see: [YuppTV Review - The Best Indian Live TV Service with Unlimited Movies](#))

## Video Quality

First I want to say that this camera has good colors and works really good in different lighting conditions. It can manage everything greatly, though the quality of the video is not exactly fantastic. As I've said in other reviews, 1080p is not enough resolution to reach good quality.

I also have to say that there is a lot of difference between the videos just out of the SJCAM program and the videos uploaded on Youtube, because this one uses very strong compression... and a lot of compression ditches a lot of data.

## Photo Quality

The quality of the photos is a little bit better than the video, but only because another compression process is used for the photos, so there is a smaller loss of data. Personally I think that 360° photos are among the most interesting and immersive things these days, because with just one click you can show and share the ENTIRE view all around you without cuts or narrow panoramas!

## Audio Quality

The quality of the audio is good. Not super sensitive, but it allows you to hear everything. No problems!

## Software

This is the first time I find a dedicated software for a 360° camera. Fortunately, SJCAM thought it could be useful to use software to edit this kind of videos. However, it's nothing new as I have already used it before. For it is exactly the same software I recommended to you when I reviewed the Andoer A360I. They just re-branded it. But then... why not, if it works?

(Also see: Chromecast - The Best Streaming Media Player)

Basically the program allows you to perform some straight editing, like cutting the clips and choosing the quality. If you want to do anything more complex, you want to first render your recording with this program and after that, you can import the results into any program you prefer (I usually use After Effects). The final step is to inject the metadata with this last program.

## WiFi and App

As already known, SJCAM can develop a good App with a good WiFi quality. Both are perfectly stable and immediately ready for use. This App is very intuitive, and the camera responds great - within 10 meters.

I've had a beautiful day's walk in the city of Bologna. When I came home, I had in mind to share my 360° photos taken with the Sj360+. I turned on the WiFi and transferred some photos to my phone. And then I found that, once uploaded, the images were not really 360°. So I tried the same thing via PC but again - nothing. The results were something like this:

Two image circles next to each other. I don't need to point out how I was quite frustrated and worried. After several minutes of discouragement I found the button "Share" into the appand.. it worked!

(Also see: Cool Interesting Hidden WhatsApp Features)

This is the fastest way to share real 360° photos with your socials!

You can download the APP "SJCAMPANO" from Play Store or App Store

## Battery life

These are the results of my battery tests:

- 1920x960 - 154 minutes (7,8 Gb)
- 1472x736 - 147 minutes (6,7Gb)
- 960x480 - 180 minutes (6,7Gb)
- Recharging time - about 3 and a half hours

This camera has so much battery life! I can't hide it: sometimes I plain forget the camera is still recording.

(Also see: Datally by Google - Manage Your Mobile Data Effectively)

## Summary

This camera is perfect if you want to experiment with the 360° technology. It is easy to use, and you can have good results with a minimum of effort. It is well built, and it arrives with just a few, but proper accessories.

The only flaw with these kinds of cameras is their relatively low resolution but you can't really ask for more, considering the price. For more info about this product

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