

## Instructions

## ATTACHING THE PLATFORM TO A GIMBAL HEAD SWING ARM:

The Wimberley Head Version II Platform should attach easily to the Head's Swing Arm. The Wimberley Platform Assembly can be used as a alternative quick-release and lens support mechanism on gimbal heads manufactured by Really Right Stuff, Custom Brackets, Benro and others with compatible vertical arms (see **important note** below).

**Note**: we do not recommend tightening the platform wing knob unless it is mounted on the Head.

- Step 1: Align the Platform jaws properly with the dovetail grooves on the sides of the Swing Arm. Slide the Platform onto the Swing Arm of the Head. Slide the Platform all the way down until it hits the "stop" at the bottom (see Fig. 1 at right).
- **Step 2:** Tighten the Platform wing knob firmly. (The platform should lock securely to the arm without the need to apply extreme torque).

The Platform height may need to be adjusted later. Refer to the WH-200 product instructions and product use video on our website for more information on balancing your lens and camera set up on the gimbal head.

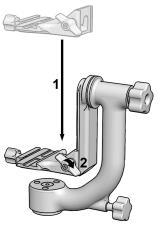


Figure 1 (Wimberley Head Version II shown)

## \*\*\* Important Note \*\*\*

The WH-200 Lens Support Platform and WH-200 Swing Arm are machined under close tolerances, which ideally result in a universal fit and consistent functionality. However, there have been a few cases in the past where machining variances caused an issue with the fit of some Platforms on some Swing Arms (most often with older units, before serial number 13485).

This Platform should slide freely onto the Swing Arm when the platform's wing knob is backed off to the end of its range (*note*: the knob is captive and should not back-off completely). The Platform should not slide on the Swing Arm once the wing knob is tightened firmly. There should be no need to over-tighten the wing knob.

If you have trouble with the way this Platform fits on the Swing Arm of your gimbal head, please contact us right away for assistance.

## Loading a Quick-Release Plate in the Clamp Jaws

Open the jaws of the clamp by turning the 5-pronged knob counter-clockwise. You can load an Arca-Swiss style quick-release plate by opening the jaws of the clamp minimally and sliding the plate in from the end (end loading). Alternatively, you can open the jaws of the clamp wide so that they clear the entire width of the plate and then load the plate from the top (top loading). If you have safety stop screws installed on your plate (Fig. 4), you will need to top load your plate.

**TIP:** when not in use, protect the Platform clamp knob from hard knocks and blows. During transport, we recommend closing the clamp jaws all the way, as well as covering the clamp knob with adequate padding or bubble wrap to prevent damage (bending) to the knob stud if it is dropped or jostled against another hard surface.

Additional features: incorporated in the integrated quick-release clamp of the Platform are innovative features found on our other clamps. Below are examples of these features shown on a standard screw-knob clamp. There is a captive screw in the end of the threaded stud of the clamp knob (Fig. 2). This screw keeps the knob and internal workings of the clamp captive, which means that the knob will not unscrew entirely and the clamp will not come apart unexpectedly. You should never need to back the knob all the way off the clamp stud.

Two shallow, finger-shaped channels have been machined into the face of the Platform clamp from the ends, stopping just short of the center (Fig. 3). These channels allow greater forward-backward adjustment when using the optional safety stop screws on Wimberley plates or other compatible quick-release lens plates that include this safety feature (Fig. 4).

