

# HotGrip USER MANUAL

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# INTRODUCTION



Thank you for choosing the **HotGrip** by Owlkrown.

This is the first thumb grip designed for the Leica M10 and M11 that gives

you both comfort and flash access, without compromise. Engineered for photographers who want grip and flexibility in one.





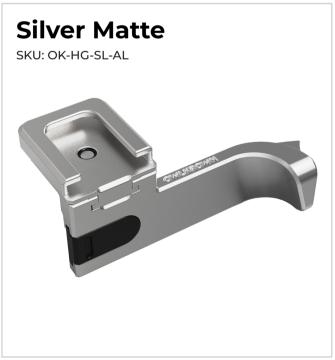




# **AVAILABLE COLORS**







## SAFETY & COMPATIBILITY

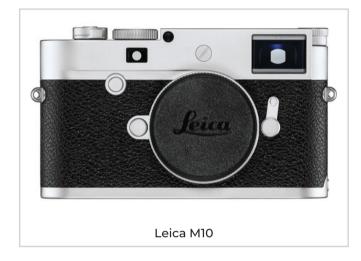




### **WARNING – READ BEFORE INSTALLING**

USE ONLY MANUAL FLASHES WITH A SINGLE CENTER PIN. INSERTING FLASHES WITH MULTIPLE PINS CAN CAUSE A SHORT CIRCUIT AND DAMAGE YOUR FLASH.

- Designed for Leica M10 & M11 series models only.
- Do Not Force onto other camera systems.
- Do not expose terminals to moisture or extreme hi-temperatures.
- Use only manual flashes with center pin triggers.
- Fully compatible with hot shoe-mounted optical viewfinders. No interference, full visibility.





# PARTS OVERVIEW





- Thumb Grip: Slides into Leica hot shoe for ergonomic support.
- **Sliding Lid:** Protects electrical contacts when not in use.
- Pass-Through Shoe Adapter:
  For mounting compatible manual flashes and optical viewfinders.
- Lid Storage Slot: Front-facing slot to store the sliding lid.

# PASS-THROUGH HOT SHOE ADAPTER



The Pass-Through Hot Shoe Adapter is a precision-machined accessory that allows you to mount a flash unit while keeping the HotGrip Thumb Grip installed.

#### **Functionality:**

- Maintains full electrical contact between the camera and flash through a center-pin connection.
- Enables flash use without removing the HotGrip.
- Designed for manual flash operation only (center-pin trigger).

#### Design & Build:

- Low-profile form factor for a stable and balanced setup.
- Aircraft-grade aluminum body with matte finish to match your HotGrip.
- Locking mechanism ensures secure attachment to the flash and camera.

#### **Usage Tip:**

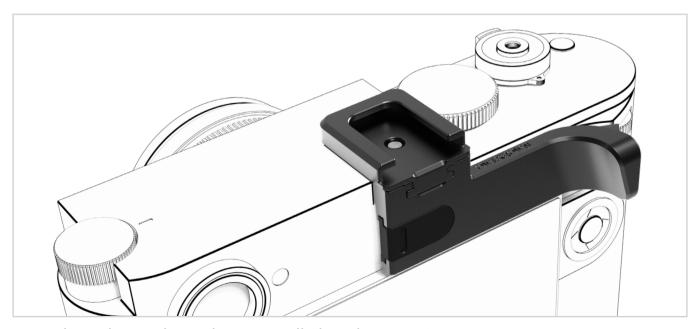
For faster workflow, many photographers leave the Pass-Through Adapter permanently attached to their flash unit. This allows quick installation by sliding the flash into the HotGrip without extra adjustments.



Pass-Through Hot Shoe Adapter



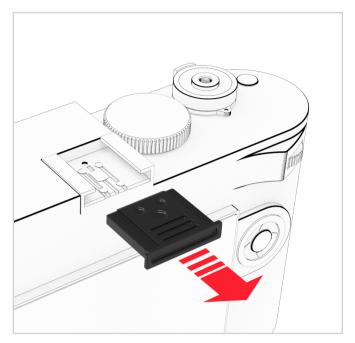
Hot Shoe Adapter Bottom View



Pass-Through Hot Shoe Adapter installed on the HotGrip.

# **INSTALLATION GUIDE**

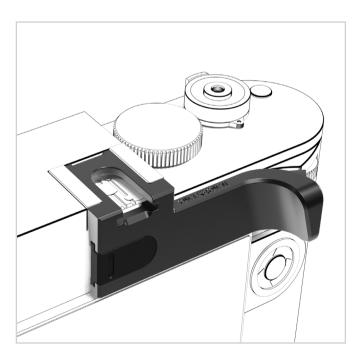




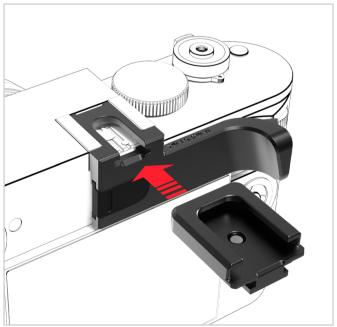
1. Remove Camera's Hot Shoe Cover
If your Leica has a protective hot shoe cover, slide and remove it first.



2. Slide in the Thumb Grip
Align the Thumb Grip with the camera's
hot shoe and slide it in until you feel a
secure fit.



**3. Check the installation**The Thumb Grip should sit flush against the back of your camera.

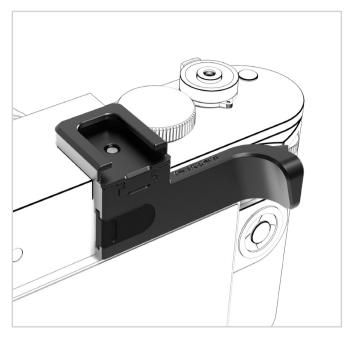


**4. Attach the Flash**Slide the included Pass-Through Shoe adapter into your flash.

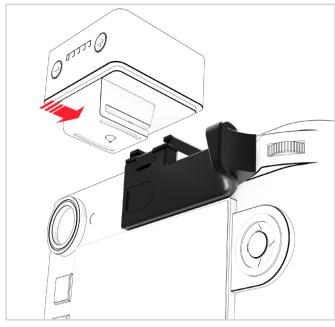
**Tip:** Some flashes use a twist-lock or lever to secure. Always confirm the flash is tightly mounted.

# FLASH ADAPTER USE

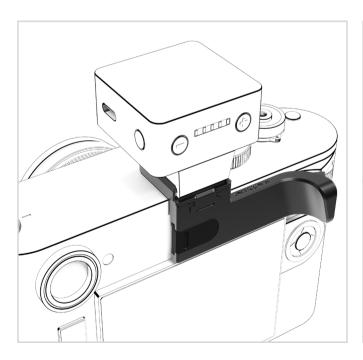




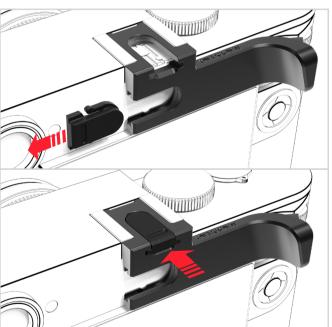
5. Insert the adapter into the Thumb Grip until it clicks securely in place.



6. Slide in the Flash
Insert the Flash into the Pass-Through
Hot Shoe Adapter until it clicks securely
in place.



7. Flash ready to use
Once the Flash is connected, it can be used in synchronization with your Leica camera's shutter release.



If you're not using a flash, keep the Sliding Lid closed to protect the contacts. Or remove it and store it visibly in the front slot to reveal the HotGrip logo and camera engravings.

# **CARE & MAINTENANCE**



- 1. Wipe with a soft, dry cloth after use.
- 2. Do not submerge or use cleaning sprays.
- 3. Avoid dropping or forcing parts.

# **WARRANTY & SUPPORT**



Owlkrown products are backed by a limited warranty covering manufacturing defects.

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