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Easy VHS to DVD

Getting Started Guide

Getting started with Roxio Easy VHS to DVD



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Welcome to Roxio Easy VHS to DVD

Roxio Easy VHS to DVD is the best solution yet for preserving your cherished VHS recordings. With Easy VHS to DVD, you can easily transfer video from VHS tape to your computer and archive it on DVDs.

With Easy VHS to DVD you can also digitize your record collection, rip and burn audio CDs, and create disc labels.

About this guide

This guide provides an overview of Easy VHS to DVD to help you get started. It includes instructions on how to use the included capture device, which you will use to transfer the contents of your VHS tapes onto your computer, and describes the easiest way to create a DVD.

For detailed information about how to use all of the features of Easy VHS to DVD, see the online Help described in *Where to find more information* on page 15.


Installing Easy VHS to DVD

Installing your software:

- 1 Connect the Roxio Video Capture USB device to a USB 2.0 port on your computer.



- 2 Insert the Easy VHS to DVD installation disc into your disc drive. The setup program starts automatically, or you can double-click setup.exe on the disc.
- 3 Follow the on-screen instructions to install the program software.

Once the installation process is complete, you can start Easy VHS to DVD by double-clicking the Easy VHS to DVD icon  on your desktop.

Note Windows Vista may ask for your permission during various steps of the installation process. Please grant your permission when requested so the installation can be completed.

Transferring video from VHS tapes to DVDs

Note VHS tape is generally recorded at a lower quality than we have come to expect in the age of digital video, and degrades over time. Roxio Easy VHS to DVD will faithfully transfer your video to DVD. The resulting video quality of the DVD will depend entirely on the quality of the source material. Low quality VHS video can not be converted to high quality video by transferring it to a DVD disc.

To connect a VCR to your computer:

- 1 Connect the Roxio Video Capture USB device to a USB 2.0 port on your computer. A USB extension cord is included, if needed.

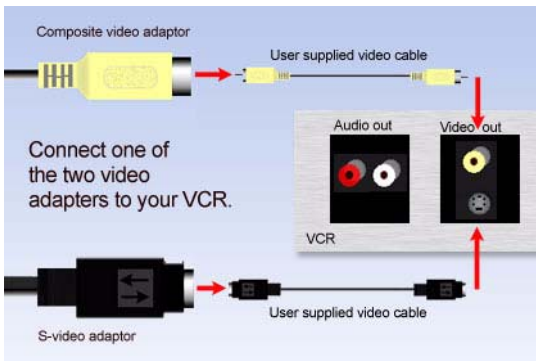


- 2 Connect the Roxio adapter to the video capture device as shown in the illustration below.

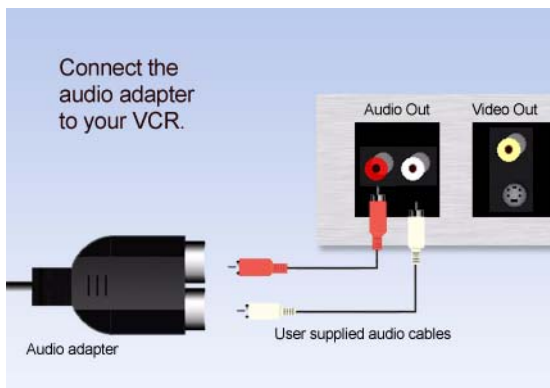


- 3 Using the RCA cable provided with your VCR, connect the video Line Out connector on your VCR to one of the two video plugs on the Roxio adapter. (The cable is not included with Easy VHS to DVD.)


Which connector should I use? Depending on the VCR, you'll have a choice of using either the Composite video connector (the yellow plug) or the higher quality S-Video connector (the single, black plug). Whenever possible, we recommend using S-Video.

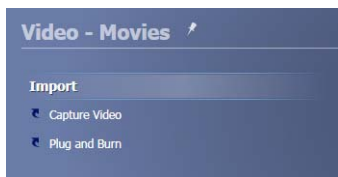


- 4 In addition to the video connection above, you must also connect the two Audio Out connectors on your VCR to the audio adapter attached to your Roxio USB capture device, as shown in the illustration below.



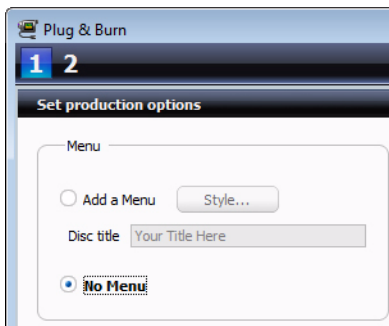
Create a DVD:

- 1 Start Easy VHS to DVD by double-clicking the Easy VHS to DVD icon  on your computer desktop. Select the **Video - Movies** project category, and click **Plug and Burn**.

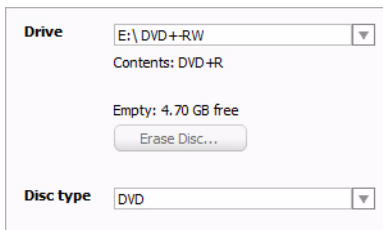


- 2 Insert a blank DVD into your DVD drive.

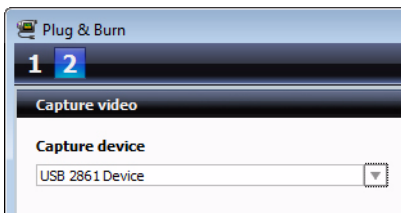
- Under Set production options, select **No Menu**.



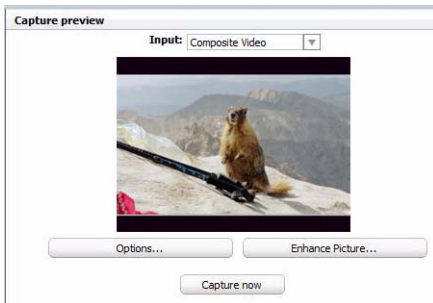
- Choose your DVD drive from the Drive drop-down menu.



- Select **DVD** as the disc type.
- Click **Next**.
- Select **USB 2861 Device** from the Capture device drop-down menu.



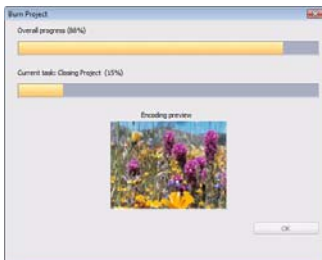
- 8 Fast forward or rewind your VHS tape to the position where you want to begin recording.
- 9 Press the **Play** button on your VCR.
- 10 Click **Capture now**. You can capture the entire tape, or stop the capture at any time by clicking the **Stop** button. To capture several sections of tape on a single disc, stop the capture at the desired point, then repeat steps 8-10.



- 11 After all the desired video is captured, click **Finish**.



The Burn Project dialog appears while the disc is being created.

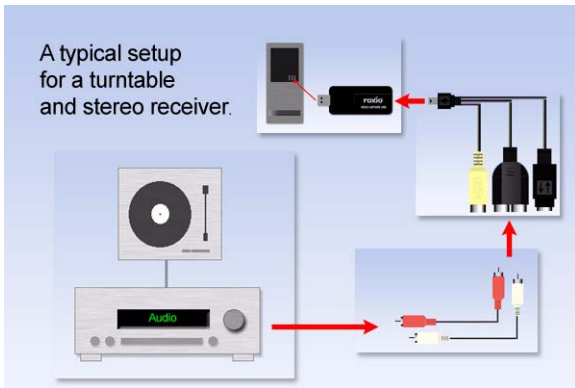


- 12 After the progress indicators both reach 100 percent, click **OK**.
- 13 Eject your disc.

Transferring audio from LPs and tapes

Connect your audio system to your computer:

You'll begin by connecting your audio system to your computer using the Video Capture USB device provided with Easy VHS to DVD. The illustration below shows a typical setup.



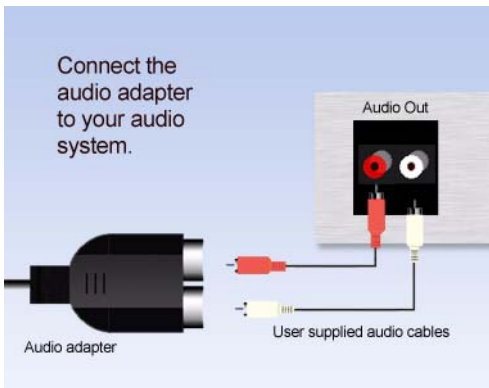
- 1 Connect the Roxio Video Capture USB device to a USB 2.0 port on your computer. An optional USB extension cord is included.




- 2 Connect the Roxio adapter to the capture device.

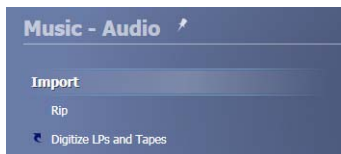


- 3 Connect the audio player to the large two-prong plug using the cables supplied with your player. (The cables needed to connect your audio system to the Roxio adaptor are not included with Easy VHS to DVD.)



To digitize LPs and tapes:

- 1 Start Easy VHS to DVD by double-clicking the Easy VHS to DVD icon  on your desktop.
- 2 Select the **Music - Audio** project category, and click **Digitize LPs and Tapes**.



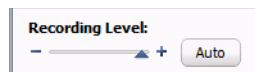
- 3 In the **Capture From** drop-down list, select **Line In (3- USB 2861 Device)**.





- 4 In the **Input** box, select the audio input channel.

Note Under the Windows Vista operating system, the **Input** box is not available.

- 5 To optimize the recording volume, play a loud portion of the audio from your audio source and click **Auto**.

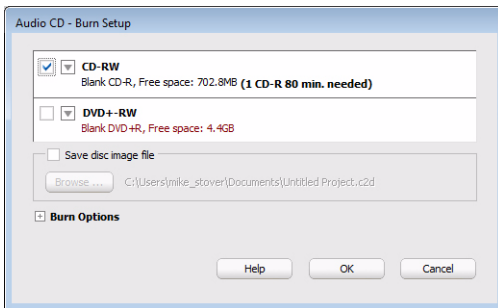


- 6 Reset your LP or tape to a position just before the point where you want to begin recording, and start playing.
- 7 In Easy VHS to DVD, click **Record** () to begin recording.
- 8 When you are finished recording, click **Stop**. ()
- 9 Click **Next**.

- 10 Tools to identify and enhance your audio recordings are displayed. Click **Help** to learn more about them.
- 11 Click **Next** when you are ready to burn your recordings onto a CD.

To burn your audio files onto a CD:

- 1 Select the tracks you want to output.
- 2 Insert a blank CD into your recorder, and, in the task area, click **Burn Audio CD**.
- 3 Select the recorder from the Burn Setup dialog box.



- 4 Click **OK** to burn your disc.

Note Click **Help** on the Burn Setup dialog to learn more about the available disc burning options.

Where to find more information

This guide provides an overview of Easy VHS to DVD to help you get started. For detailed information about how to use all of the features of Easy VHS to DVD, see the online Help described below.

Online Help

Most Easy VHS to DVD components include a separate Help file with step-by-step procedures and answers to frequently asked questions.

Use the Help menu to access the Help. To view context-sensitive Help for the activity you are currently doing, press **F1**.

Roxio online support

If you can't find the answers you are looking for in the online Help or this guide, you can get the most current information from our Web site. Go to <http://support.roxio.com>.

Easy VHS to DVD support options

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