

Operation Manual

Desktop Video

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Mac OS X™

Windows™

Linux™

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Welcome to Desktop Video!

We hope you share our dream for the television industry to become a truly creative industry by allowing anyone to have access to the highest quality video.

Previously high end television and post production required investment in millions of dollars of hardware, however with Blackmagic video hardware, even 10 bit uncompressed is now easily affordable. We hope you get years of use from your new UltraStudio, DeckLink or Intensity and have fun working with some of the world's hottest television and design software!

This instruction manual should contain all the information you'll need on installing your Blackmagic video hardware. If you're installing a PCI Express card, it's always a good idea to ask a technical assistant for help if you have not installed hardware cards into computers before. As Blackmagic video hardware uses uncompressed video and the data rates are quite high, you'll need fast disk storage and a high-end computer.

We think it should take you approximately 10 minutes to complete installation. Before you install Blackmagic video hardware, please check our website at www.blackmagicdesign.com and click the support page to download the latest updates to this manual and Desktop Video driver software. Lastly, please register your Blackmagic video hardware when downloading software updates. We would love to keep you updated on new software updates and new features. Perhaps you can even send us your latest show reel of work completed on your Blackmagic video hardware and any suggestions for improvements to the software. We are constantly working on new features and improvements, so we would love to hear from you!

A stylized, handwritten signature of Grant Petty in black ink.

Grant Petty
CEO Blackmagic Design

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Introducing Desktop Video

Blackmagic Design's Desktop Video software works in conjunction with your UltraStudio, DeckLink, Intensity or Teranex hardware. The Desktop Video software includes drivers, plugins and applications like Blackmagic Media Express. Desktop Video also integrates seamlessly with your favorite Adobe, Apple, Autodesk and Avid software!

This manual takes you through computer system requirements, installing hardware and software and using your favorite third party software. Finally, connection diagrams are located at the end of the manual.

System Requirements

The computer requires at least 4 GB of RAM. PCIe x1 lane cards should work in any slot. PCIe x4 lane cards require a x4 lane or faster slot.

Mac OS X

Desktop Video software runs on the latest Mountain Lion and Mavericks versions of Mac OS X.

If your Blackmagic video hardware connects to your computer via a PCI Express slot, then an Intel-based Mac Pro is required.

If your Blackmagic video hardware connects to your computer via Thunderbolt, then an Intel-based Mac with a Thunderbolt™ port is required.

Windows

Desktop Video runs exclusively on 64-bit versions of Windows, with the latest service pack installed. Both Windows 7 and Windows 8 are supported.

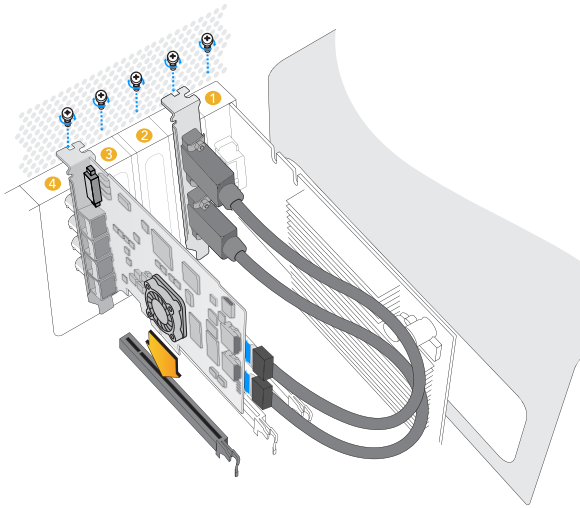
If your Blackmagic video hardware connects to your computer via Thunderbolt, an Intel-based PC with a Thunderbolt port is required.

If your Blackmagic video hardware connects to your computer via USB 3.0, a USB 3.0 port using a Renesas chipset is required.

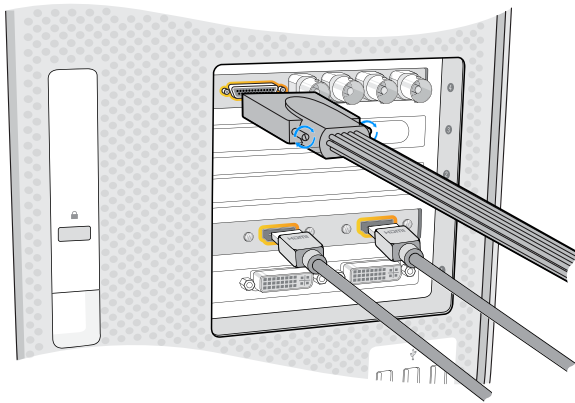
Linux

Desktop Video runs on 32-bit and 64-bit x86 computers running Linux 2.6.23 or higher. Please refer to the release notes for the latest list of supported Linux distributions, package formats and software dependencies.

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Install a Blackmagic PCIe card in a spare slot. A HDMI bracket can be installed in any spare port and connects to the rear of the card with the supplied HDMI cables.



Connect the breakout cable if one is supplied with your Blackmagic card. Some models also include a HDMI bracket as pictured above.

Installing your Blackmagic Video Hardware

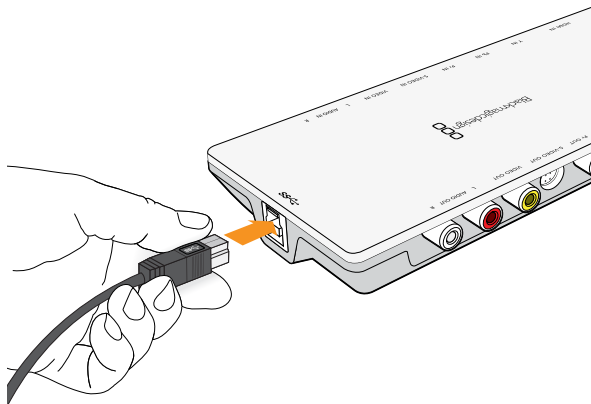
If your Blackmagic video hardware connects via Thunderbolt, go straight to the Thunderbolt section. Thunderbolt ports are found on the latest Mac OS X and Windows computers.

If your Blackmagic video hardware connects via USB 3.0, go straight to the USB 3.0 section. Blackmagic's USB 3.0 video products require a compatible Windows PC.

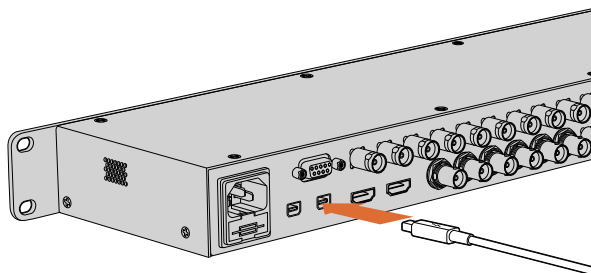
Installing a Blackmagic PCIe Card

- Step 1.** Remove the power plug from your computer and ensure that you are statically discharged.
- Step 2.** Insert your Blackmagic PCIe card into an appropriate slot in your computer and push it firmly into place. If you have a DeckLink Optical Fiber card, the fiber optic module needs to be removed prior to insertion.
- Step 3.** If your Blackmagic PCIe card includes a HDMI bracket, insert the bracket into a spare slot. Secure the PCIe card and HDMI bracket with screws and loop the HDMI cables around any other installed cards and plug them into the rear of the DeckLink card.
- Step 4.** Replace the cover of your computer and connect any supplied breakout cables. If you have a DeckLink Optical Fiber card, reinsert the fiber optic module. Reconnect the power and start up the computer.

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Thunderbolt™ and USB 3.0 products connect to your computer with a single Thunderbolt or USB 3.0 cable.



The UltraStudio 4K features two Thunderbolt 2™ ports so if your computer only has a single Thunderbolt™ port, you can use the additional port to attach a RAID or other device.

Connecting Blackmagic Video Hardware with Thunderbolt

- Step 1.** If your Blackmagic video hardware includes an external power supply, connect it to the unit and switch on the power.
- Step 2.** Connect a Thunderbolt cable between the unit and a Thunderbolt port on your computer. Alternatively, you can connect to your computer's Thunderbolt disk array.
- Step 3.** If Desktop Video software has previously been installed and offers to update the internal software, click Update and follow any onscreen instructions.
- Step 4.** If a breakout cable is supplied, connect it to the Blackmagic video hardware and plug the connectors into your video equipment.

Connecting Blackmagic Video Hardware with USB 3.0

- Step 1.** If your Blackmagic video hardware includes an external power supply, connect it to the unit and switch on the power.
- Step 2.** Connect a SuperSpeed USB 3.0 cable between the unit and a dedicated USB 3.0 port on your computer.
- Step 3.** If Desktop Video software has previously been installed and offers to update the internal software, click Update and follow any onscreen instructions.
- Step 4.** If a breakout cable is supplied, connect it to the Blackmagic video hardware and plug the connectors into your video equipment.

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Installing the Blackmagic Design Software

Applications, Plugins and Drivers

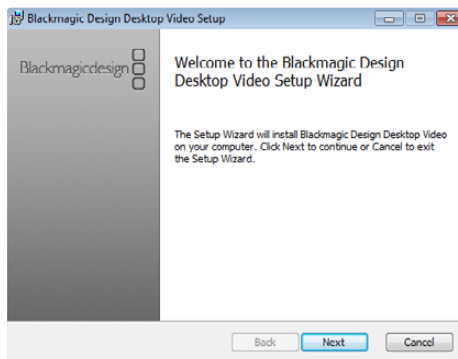
The table below lists the applications, plugins and drivers that are included when you install the desktop video software.

Mac OS X	Windows	Linux
Blackmagic Desktop Video drivers	Blackmagic Desktop Video drivers	Blackmagic Desktop Video drivers
Blackmagic Design system preference	Blackmagic Design Control Panel	Blackmagic Design Control Panel
Blackmagic Design LiveKey	Blackmagic Design LiveKey	Blackmagic Media Express
Blackmagic Media Express	Blackmagic Media Express	Blackmagic AVI codecs
Blackmagic QuickTime™ codecs	Blackmagic AVI and QuickTime™ codecs	
Blackmagic Disk Speed Test	Blackmagic Disk Speed Test	
Adobe® Premiere Pro, After Effects, Photoshop presets and plug-ins	Adobe® Premiere Pro, After Effects, Photoshop presets and plug-ins	
Apple Final Cut Pro™ X plug-ins	Avid Media Composer 7.x plug-ins	
Avid Media Composer 7.x plug-ins	eyeon Fusion plug-ins	

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Desktop Video Installer for Mac



Desktop Video Installer for Windows

Mac OS X Installation

Make sure you have administrator privileges before installing any software.

- Step 1.** Ensure you have the very latest driver. Visit www.blackmagicdesign.com/support
- Step 2.** Open the “Desktop Video Installer” folder from the disc or downloaded disk image and launch the “Desktop Video Installer” installer.
- Step 3.** Click the Continue, Agree and Install buttons to install the software.
- Step 4.** Restart your computer to enable the new software drivers.

Automatic Updates

When your Mac restarts the software will check the internal software version of your hardware. If the internal software version does not match the driver version, you will be prompted to update the internal software. Click OK to start the update and restart your Mac to complete the process.

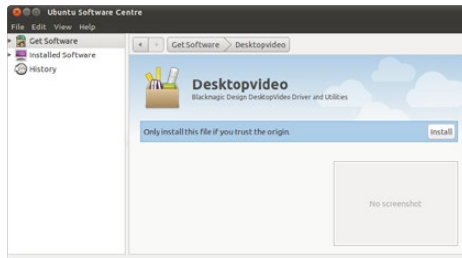
Windows Installation

- Step 1.** Ensure you have the very latest driver. Visit www.blackmagicdesign.com/support
- Step 2.** Open the “Desktop Video” folder and launch the “Desktop Video” installer.
- Step 3.** The drivers will now be installed on your system. An alert will appear: “Do you want to allow the following program to install software on this computer?” Click Yes to continue.
- Step 4.** You will see a dialog bubble saying “found new hardware” and the hardware wizard will appear. Select “install automatically” and the system will find the required Desktop Video drivers. Another dialog bubble will appear saying “your new hardware is ready for use.”
- Step 5.** Restart your computer to enable the new software drivers.

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Desktop Video software ready to be installed from the Ubuntu Software Center.

Linux Installation

- Step 1.** Download the latest Desktop Video software for Linux from www.blackmagicdesign.com/support
- Step 2.** Open the "Desktop Video" folder and locate and open the "Desktop Video" package for your Linux distribution.
- Step 3.** Click the "Install" button and wait for the progress bar to complete.
- Step 4.** If there are messages about missing dependencies, ensure they are installed first and then rerun the Desktop Video installer.
- Step 5.** When finished, the installer will return to the same screen.
- Step 6.** Restart the computer to enable the drivers or type the following command:
`# modprobe blackmagic`

If you cannot find a native Desktop Video package for your Linux distribution, or if you prefer to install from a command line, refer to the ReadMe file for detailed installation instructions.

Updates

After your computer has restarted, the drivers will check the Blackmagic video hardware to see what internal software the hardware contains. If the internal software version does not match the driver version, Desktop Video will prompt you to update. To find out the card ID of any cards that need updating, open the terminal and type the following command:

```
# BlackmagicFirmwareUpdater status
```

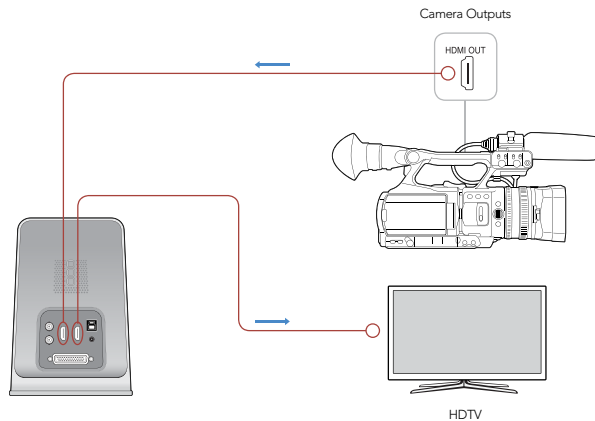
A message similar to the following will appear:

```
/dev/blackmagic/card0    [DeckLink HD Extreme 3]  UPDATED  
/dev/blackmagic/card1    [DeckLink HD Extreme 3]  NEEDS_UPDATE
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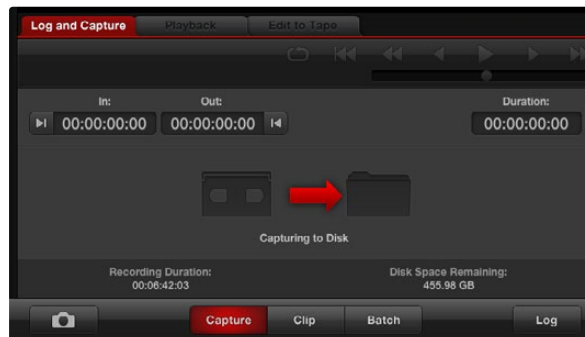
Note the ID of the card that needs to be updated and then update the firmware by typing:

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# BlackmagicFirmwareUpdater update <card_id> (1 in this case)
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Connect a video monitor and source to your Blackmagic video hardware.



Click the "Capture" button to commence recording.

Capturing and Playing back Video

It's a good idea to run a quick test to ensure you can successfully capture and play back video.

Setting-Up

- Step 1.** Connect a video monitor or TV to the video output of your Blackmagic video hardware.
- Step 2.** Connect a video source to the video input of your Blackmagic video hardware.
- Step 3.** Use the Blackmagic system preferences to set your video and audio connections for input and output. See the "Using Blackmagic System Preferences" section for details.

Testing Video Capture

- Step 1.** Go to Media Express>Preferences on Mac OS X or Edit>Preferences on Windows or Linux and select a project format that matches your video source. Also choose a capture file format and storage location.
- Step 2.** Close the Preferences and click on the Log and Capture tab. Your video source will appear in the preview pane of Media Express.
- Step 3.** Click Capture to perform the capture test. Click Capture again to finish the test.

Testing Video Playback

- Step 1.** Click on the Playback tab.
- Step 2.** Double-click the test clip and the video will appear on the monitor connected to the output of your Blackmagic video hardware. Audio output can also be monitored.

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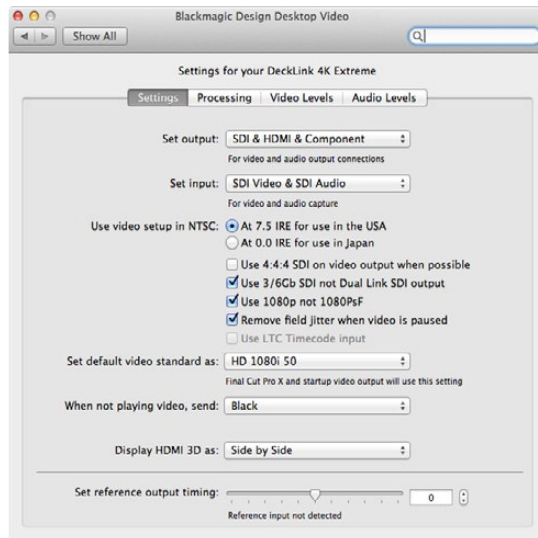
Launching Blackmagic System Preferences

Blackmagic system preferences provide a central location for configuration settings.

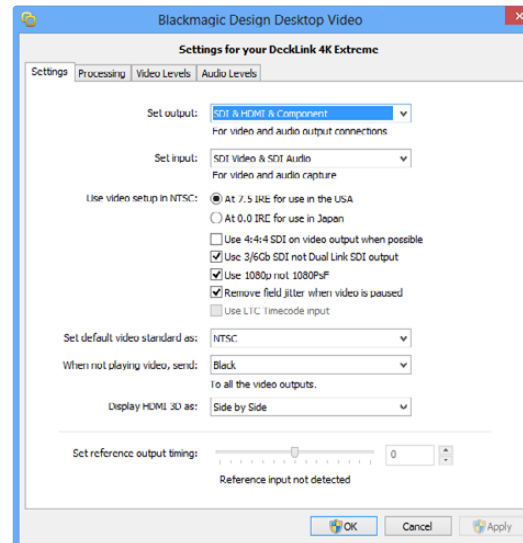
- On Mac OS X, open the System Preferences and click the Blackmagic Design icon.
- On Windows 7 and Windows 8, open the Control Panel and click on the "Hardware and Sound" category and then click the Blackmagic Design Control Panel.
- On Linux, go to "Applications" and then "Sound and Video" and double-click the Blackmagic Control Panel.

Different Blackmagic video hardware models have different features. Only those system preferences supported by your hardware model will be active.

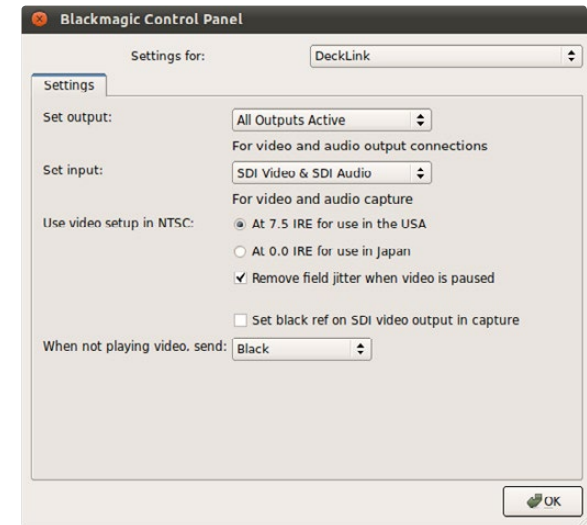
The following section guides you on adjusting the Blackmagic system preferences.



Blackmagic Design system preferences in Mac OS X

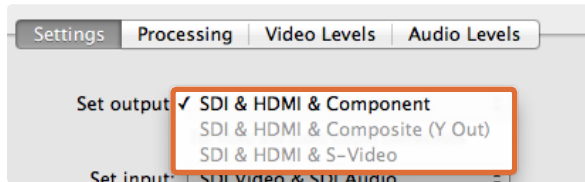


Blackmagic Design Control Panel in Windows

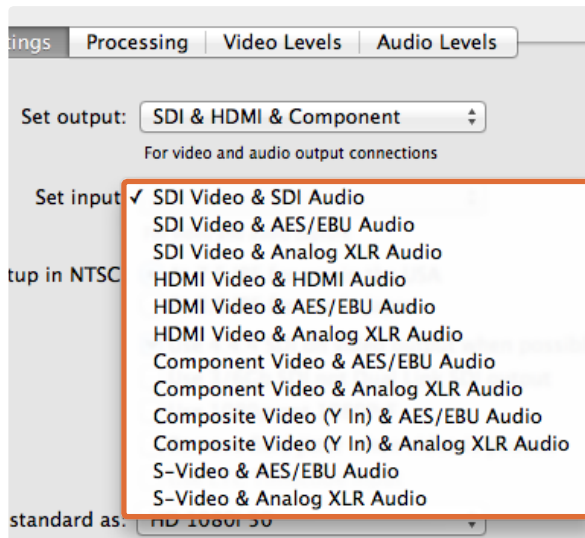


Blackmagic Design Control Panel in Ubuntu Linux

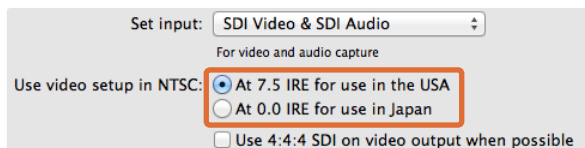
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Video and Audio output connections.



Video and Audio input connections.



Select either 7.5 IRE or 0 IRE setup for NTSC composite video.

The Settings Tab

Set output

Set the video and audio output connections for your Blackmagic video hardware. Some models allow you to choose between component analog video, S-Video or composite analog video. And some models feature switchable audio outputs which allow you to choose between analog and AES/EBU.

Set input

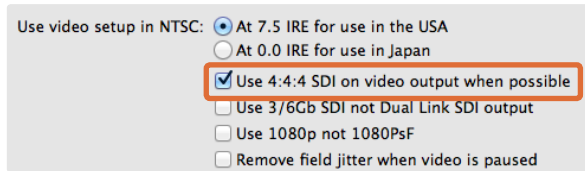
Set the video and audio output connections for your Blackmagic video hardware. Your hardware may support some or all of the following combinations:

- SDI Video & SDI Audio
- SDI Video & AES/EBU Audio
- SDI Video & Analog XLR Audio
- Optical SDI Video & Optical SDI Audio
- HDMI Video & HDMI Audio
- HDMI Video & AES/EBU Audio
- HDMI Video & Analog XLR Audio
- Component Video & AES/EBU Audio
- Component Video & Analog XLR Audio
- Composite Video (Y In) & AES/EBU Audio
- Composite Video (Y In) & Analog XLR Audio
- S-Video & AES/EBU Audio
- S-Video & Analog XLR Audio

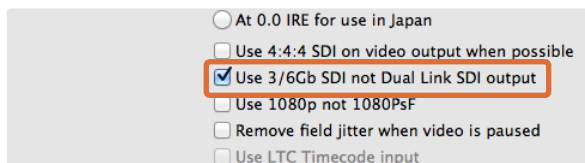
Use video setup in NTSC

Select the 7.5 IRE setup for the NTSC composite video used in the USA and some other countries. Select the 0 IRE setup if you're working in Japan or other countries that don't use the 7.5 IRE setup. PAL and high definition formats do not use this setting.

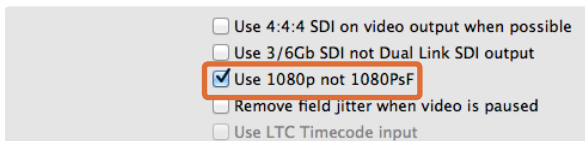
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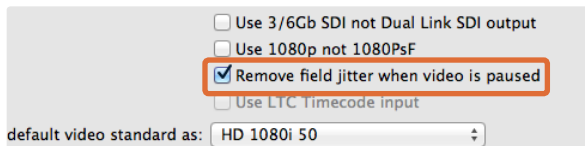
Tick the checkbox to output 4:4:4 video.



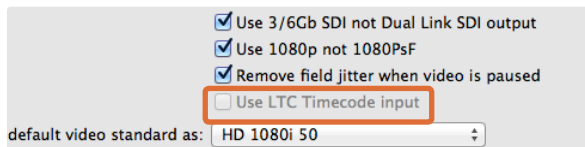
Tick the checkbox to use single link 3G or 6G SDI.



Tick the checkbox to output true 1080 progressive frame video.



Tick the checkbox to eliminate field flicker from CRT monitors.



Tick the checkbox to read timecode from the LTC input.

Use 4:4:4 SDI on video output when possible

Select this setting when outputting 4:4:4 video. 1080p50/60 video will always be output as 4:2:2. When 4:4:4 video output is enabled, the following features are not available:

- simultaneous HD and down converted SD video output
- down converted analog video output

Use 3/6Gb SDI not Dual Link SDI output

Select this setting to use single link 3G or 6G SDI when using high bandwidth formats such as 1080p60, 4:4:4 or when using 4K formats.

Use 1080p not 1080PsF

Select this setting to output true progressive frame video instead of progressive segmented frame.

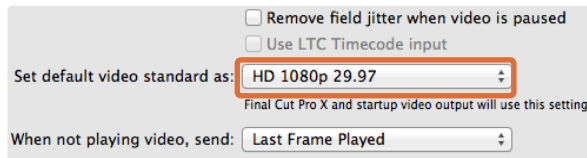
Remove field jitter when video is paused

Select this setting to eliminate field flicker when interlaced video is paused on old CRT monitors by displaying a single field. This option is not recommended for modern flat screens.

Use LTC Timecode input

Select this setting to read timecode from the LTC input instead of the SDI stream.

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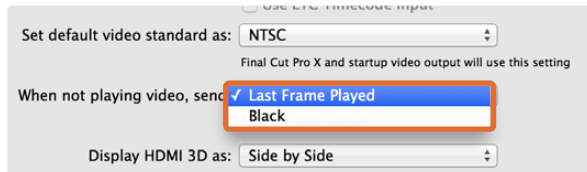


Set the default video standard to match your Final Cut Pro X project or to capture with your WDM program

Set default video standard as

To use broadcast monitoring with Final Cut Pro X, set the video standard to match your Final Cut Pro X project.

To capture video on Windows with a program supporting Windows Driver Model (WDM), set the default video standard to match the capture standard. You usually set the video standard within the preferences of the WDM program, however, try using the Blackmagic Design Control Panel if you encounter problems.

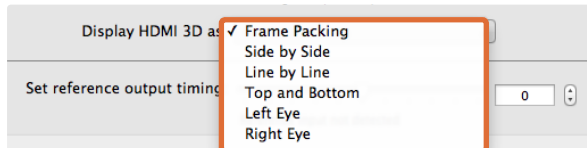


When not playing video you have the option of sending the Last Frame Played or Black.

When not playing video, send

This setting determines whether your hardware will output the Last Frame Played or Black when you switch out of an application and video is no longer being played.

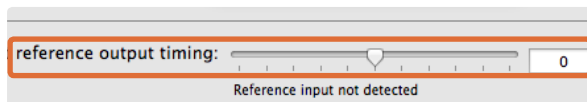
Some Blackmagic models include Look Up Tables (LUTs) and you can use the Last Played Frame option to observe the effect of any changes to the LUT. Enabling or disabling the feature requires a restart of the computer.



Select the 3D format of your HDMI monitoring.

Display HDMI 3D as

This setting determines the 3D format of your HDMI monitoring. The selections include: Frame Packing, Side by Side, Line by Line, Top and Bottom, Left Eye or Right Eye.

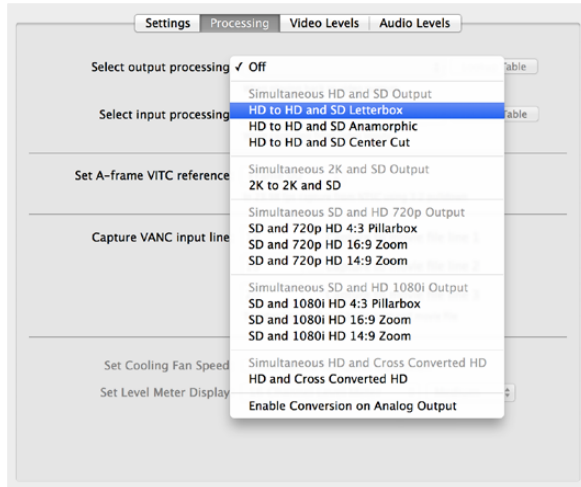


Adjust the Reference timing slider until the picture locks.

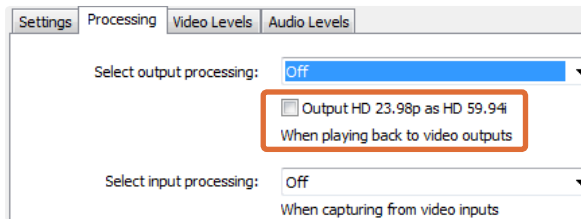
Set Reference output timing

If you have reference connected but your picture is rolling, adjust the slider until the picture locks. A reference signal may also known as genlock, black burst, house sync or tri-sync.

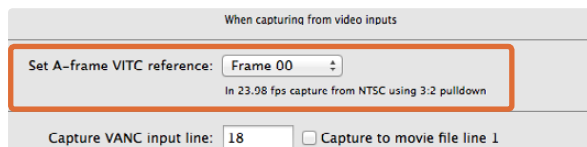
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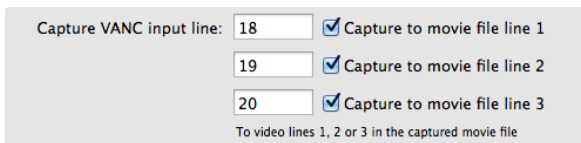
Select the output processing from the menu.



Tick the checkbox to output HD 23.98PsF at HD 59.94i



Set the A-Frame VITC Reference when performing 3:2 pulldown.



Tick the checkboxes to capture lines of VANC data.

The Processing Tab

Select output processing

This setting allows real time down conversion during playback. Select the desired option from the menu.

Some hardware models support simultaneous down conversion on output such as HD & SD or 2K & SD. Simultaneous down conversion introduces a 2 frame delay on the SD-SDI output. Adjust your editing software's timecode offset to ensure frame accuracy when inserting or assembling to tape.

Analog video outputs are also down converted. Component analog video can be switched between HD or SD output. To view component analog SD video, select "Enable Conversion on Analog Output", when "Simultaneous HD and SD Output" is also selected.

Select input processing

This setting allows real time down conversion and up conversion during capture. Select the desired option from the menu.

Output HD 23.98PsF at HD 59.94i (Windows only)

This setting will apply a 3:2 pulldown sequence so that HD 23.98 PsF video is output as HD 59.94i. The film frame rate of 23.98 fps is quite common but support in SDI and analog monitors is rare, while almost all HD monitors support HD 59.94i.

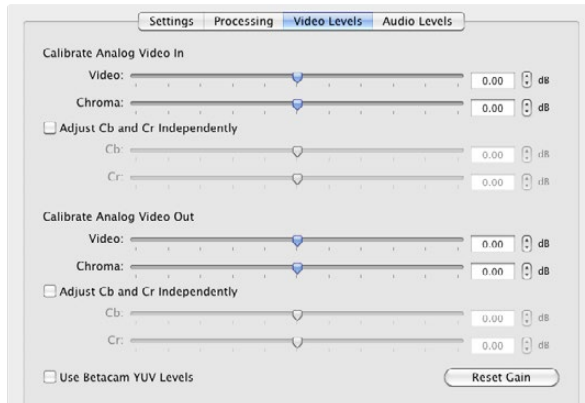
Set A-frame VITC reference

This setting allows you to enter the A-frame number when removing 3:2 pulldown from NTSC video while capturing at 23.98fps. The wrong A-frame will produce an incorrect presentation of fields and frames.

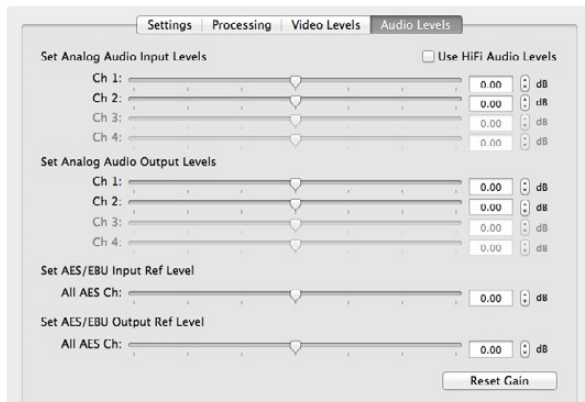
Capture VANC input line

These settings allow 3 line timecode, VITC subtitle info or any other VANC data to be preserved during capture. To preserve VANC data, tick the check box for video line you wish to capture. Line 1 needs to be enabled for lines 2 and 3 to function.

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The sliders adjust Video and Chroma levels for analog video.



The sliders adjust the gain for analog and AES/EBU audio.

The Video Levels Tab

Calibrate Analog Video In

These settings adjust the analog video input. Use the sliders to adjust Video, Chroma, Cb and Cr levels. Ideally you would adjust these settings in conjunction with Blackmagic Ultrascope. The Calibrate Analog Video In settings are only available if the "Set input" option in the Settings tab is set to analog video input.

Calibrate Analog Video Out

These settings adjust the analog video output. Use the sliders to adjust Video, Chroma, Cb and Cr levels. Ideally you would adjust these settings in conjunction with Blackmagic Ultrascope.

Use Betacam YUV Levels

Blackmagic products use SMPTE component analog levels by default as almost all modern video equipment use SMPTE levels. Enable the checkbox "Use Betacam YUV Levels" if working with Sony Betacam SP decks.

The Audio Levels Tab

Set Analog Audio Input Levels

These settings adjust the gain for the analog audio inputs.

Set Analog Audio Output Levels

These settings adjust the gain for the analog audio outputs.

Set AES/EBU Input Ref Level

These settings adjust the gain for the AES/EBU audio inputs. While analog audio channels can be adjusted independently, AES/EBU audio channels are adjusted simultaneously.

Set AES/EBU Output Ref Level

These settings adjust the gain for the AES/EBU audio outputs. While analog audio channels can be adjusted independently, AES/EBU audio channels are adjusted simultaneously.

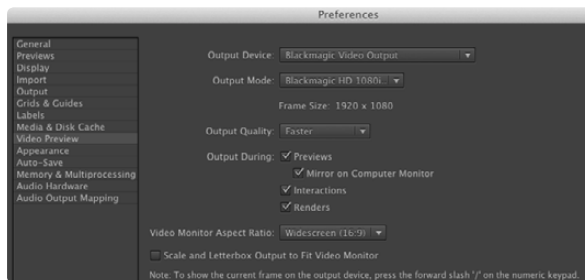
Use HiFi Audio Levels

Professional analog audio levels with XLR connectors are standard on UltraStudio and DeckLink models. To connect consumer audio equipment, enable "Use HiFi Audio Levels" and use an XLR to RCA adapter.

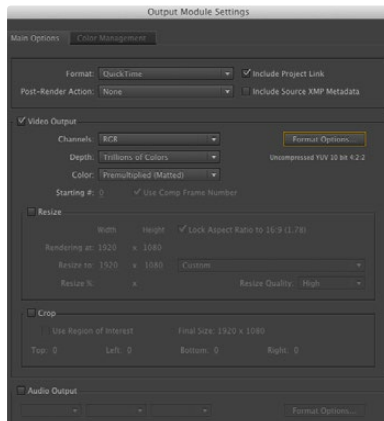
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Adobe After Effects CC



"Video Preview" preferences



"Output Module Settings" rendering options

Adobe After Effects CC

How to Preview Video

To display your Adobe After Effects composition in real-time through your Blackmagic hardware, go to Preferences > Video Preview. Select Blackmagic Video Output and the appropriate Output Mode. You can now use a broadcast monitor to view your After Effects compositions in the correct video colorspace.

To listen to audio through your Blackmagic hardware, go to System Preferences in Mac OS X or Control Panel in Windows and set Blackmagic Audio as your default sound output device. In After Effects, go to Preferences>Audio Hardware and make sure your audio output is now set to System Default Input/Output on Mac OS X or Blackmagic Audio on Windows.

Rendering

When you have completed your composition, you will need to render to a codec supported by your Blackmagic video hardware. You can render a DPX image sequence or any of the following codecs:

QuickTime codecs on Mac OS X

- Blackmagic RGB 10 bit (uncompressed)
- Apple Photo - JPEG (compressed)
- Apple Uncompressed YUV 10 bit 4:2:2
- Apple DV - NTSC (compressed)
- Apple Uncompressed YUV 8 bit 4:2:2
- Apple DV - PAL (compressed)

Other codecs including ProRes and DVCPRO HD will be available if you have Final Cut Pro installed.

AVI codecs on Windows

- Blackmagic 10 bit 4:4:4 (uncompressed)
- Blackmagic SD 8 bit 4:2:2 (uncompressed)
- Blackmagic 10 bit 4:2:2 (uncompressed)
- Blackmagic 8 bit MJPEG (compressed)
- Blackmagic HD 8 bit 4:2:2 (uncompressed)

Other codecs including DVCPRO HD and DVCPRO50 will be available if you have Premiere Pro installed.

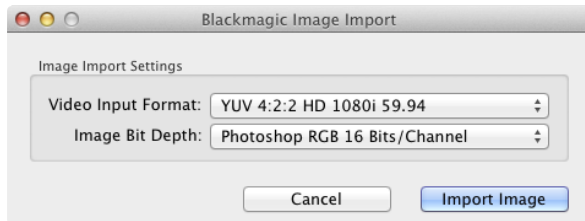
QuickTime codecs on Windows

- Blackmagic RGB 10 bit (uncompressed)
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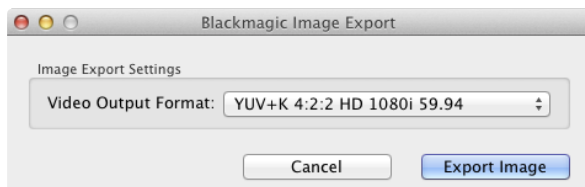
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Adobe Photoshop CC



Import Image



Export Image

Adobe Photoshop CC

How to Import and Export Video Frames

Import an image into Photoshop

Step 1. From Photoshop select File > Import > Blackmagic Image Capture.

Step 2. Select the "Video Input Format" and the "Image Bit Depth" and then click Image Import.

Export an image from Photoshop

Step 1. Select File > Export > Blackmagic Image Export.

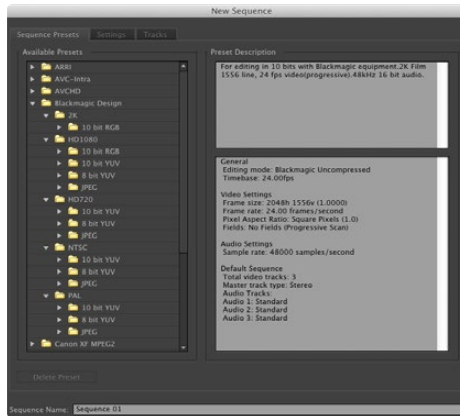
Step 2. Select Video Output Format and then click Export Image.

Once you have set the "Import" or "Export" options, subsequent Imports and Exports will not display the settings window. However, you can still change your settings, by holding the Option [Mac] or Ctrl [Win] key, when selecting import or export.

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Adobe Premiere Pro CC



New Sequence

Adobe Premiere Pro CC

Setting Up a Blackmagic Design Project

- Step 1.** Create a New Project and click on the Scratch Disks tab and set the desired Location and Name for your project.
- Step 2.** Set the locations for your captured video, captured audio, video previews and audio previews.
- Step 3.** If your graphics card is supported by Premiere Pro's Mercury Playback Engine, the Renderer option will be available and you should switch it to "Mercury Playback Engine GPU Acceleration".
- Step 4.** Set the Capture Format to Blackmagic Capture and click on the Settings [Mac] or Properties [Win] button to reveal the Blackmagic Capture Settings for your project. Set the desired Video Standard and Video Format and click OK.
- Step 5.** The New Sequence window will appear. Select the desired Blackmagic preset, give the sequence a name and then click OK.
- Step 6.** Select File > New > Sequence. Select the desired Blackmagic preset, give the sequence a name and then click OK.

Device Control

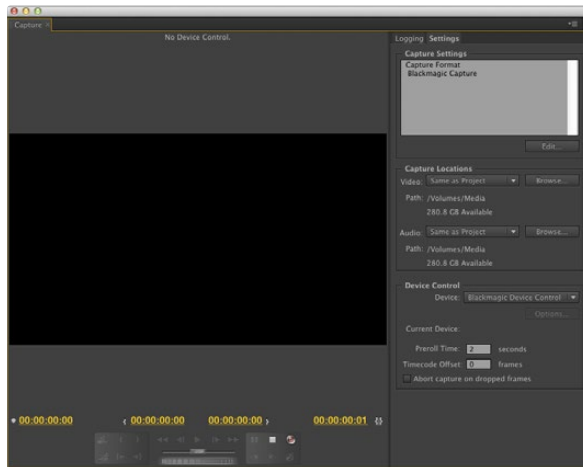
Many Blackmagic Design capture and playback models feature RS-422 device control for controlling decks. Blackmagic Device Control needs to be selected each time a new project is created. Go to Preferences > Device Control and select "Blackmagic Device Control".

Playback

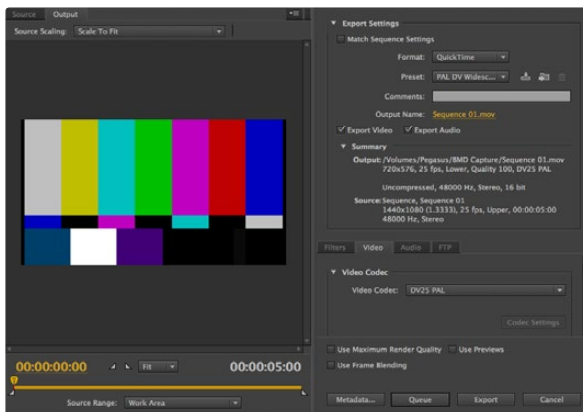
Playback settings need to be selected each time a new project is created by going to Preferences > Playback. The default player is Adobe Player but the Audio Device needs to be switched to "Blackmagic Playback".

Under "Video Device," enable the checkbox for "Blackmagic Playback" and ensure the other checkboxes are cleared and click OK.

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Capture



Export to Tape

Capture

To capture choose: File > Capture [F5]

To immediately capture, or to capture from a non-controllable device, click the red record button [G].

If you wish to log the clip using RS-422 deck control, enter the desired In and Out points using either the Set In and Set Out buttons, or manually by typing the timecode and clicking Log Clip. The empty clip will now appear in the Project window. Repeat this until you have logged all of the clips you wish to batch capture. Then choose: File > Batch Capture [F6]. To set handles on the clips, enable the option to Capture with handles and type the number of additional frames you require at the start and end of each clip.

Export to Tape

To export to tape via RS-422 deck control, select the sequence you require and then choose File > Export > Tape

Insert editing requires unbroken timecode over the full length of the project which is to be laid to tape.

In assemble mode the tape needs only to be "blackened" until a point just beyond the start time of the project. As assemble editing erases the tape ahead of the record heads, it should not be used where other projects already exist on the tape after the out point of your edit.

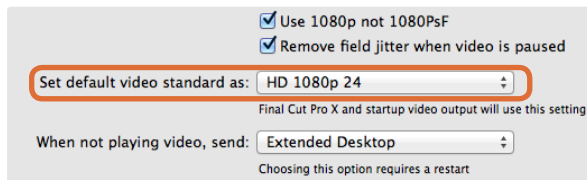
When editing to tape, the software waits at the first frame of your project for the deck to drop into record at the predetermined timecode. Should you find that either the first frame of your program is repeated or lost, during the edit to tape procedure, you will need to adjust the playback offset to bring the deck and computer in sync. You should only need to do this once with any combination of deck and computer and the correct setting will be retained.

Now, simply enter the desired in point and offsets if required, and click OK [Mac] or Export [Win].

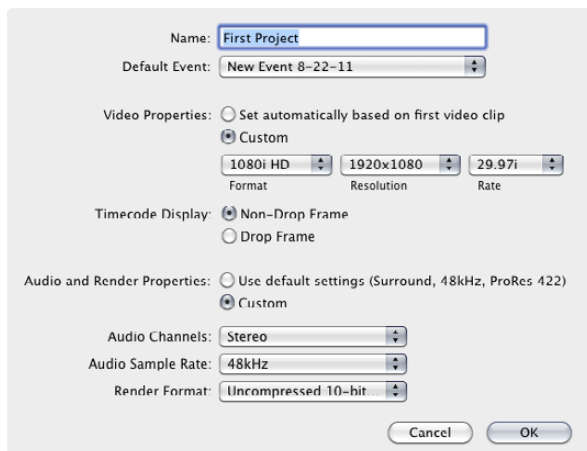
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Apple Final Cut Pro X



Step2. Set the default video standard in the System Preferences to match your Final Cut Pro X project.



Step 6. Set the Audio and Render Properties to Custom.

Apple Final Cut Pro X

You can use the broadcast monitoring feature of Final Cut Pro X 10.0.4 and later to output your video through Blackmagic video hardware. You can also use two computer monitors for the Final Cut Pro X interface.

Setting Up Final Cut Pro X

- Step 1.** Ensure you are running Final Cut Pro X 10.0.4 or later with the latest version of Mac OS X Mountain Lion or Mavericks.
- Step 2.** Open the System Preferences and click on Blackmagic Design. Go to the setting, "Set default video standard as" and then set the same standard that you will use in your Final Cut Pro X project, e.g. HD 1080i59.94. The standard should be the same as the video format of your clips.
- Step 3.** Launch Final Cut Pro X and create a new project.
- Step 4.** Type a name and choose a location for the new project.
- Step 5.** Set the Video Properties to Custom and then set the format, resolution and frame rate to match the default video standard set in the Blackmagic Design Desktop Video system preferences.
- Step 6.** Set the Audio and Render Properties to Custom. Set the audio channels to Stereo or else you can choose Surround for 6 audio channels. Set the audio sample rate to the television rate of 48kHz. Set the render format to the same format as your video clips. Final Cut Pro X defaults to using ProRes compression but you can switch this to Uncompressed 10-bit 4:2:2 for an uncompressed workflow. Click OK to complete the creation of your new project.
- Step 7.** Go to the Final Cut Pro menu, choose Preferences and then click the Playback tab. Ensure the A/V Output menu has selected "Blackmagic" and the same video standard as your project and then close the Preferences.
- Step 8.** Go to the Window menu and select A/V Output to enable video output via your Blackmagic video hardware.

If you wish to monitor audio via your Blackmagic video hardware, open the System Preferences, click the Sound icon, click the Output tab and then select "Blackmagic Audio" for the sound output.

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Playback

- Step 1.** Import some clips in to your new project.
- Step 2.** You can now use the Final Cut Pro X timeline on your computer monitor and view the video preview on the monitor or TV connected to the output of your Blackmagic Design video hardware.

Capturing Video and Audio

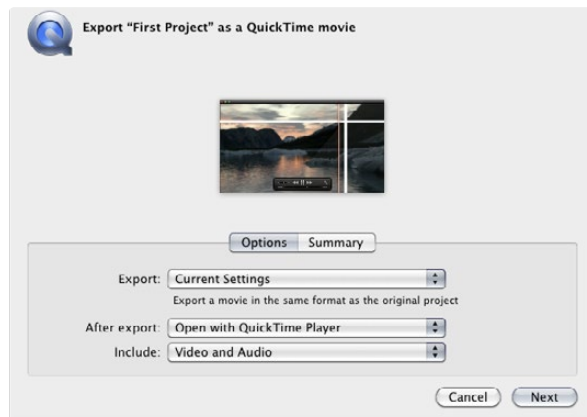
You can use Blackmagic Media Express to capture video and audio with your Blackmagic Design video hardware. Once you have captured the clips, you can import them in to Final Cut Pro X for editing.

When capturing clips with Media Express, make sure you choose one of the video formats which is also supported by Final Cut Pro X, i.e.: Apple ProRes 4444, Apple ProRes 422 (HQ), Apple ProRes 422 or Uncompressed 10-bit 4:2:2.

Editing to Tape

Once you have completed a project in Final Cut Pro X, you can render the project to a movie file and then use Blackmagic Media Express to master the movie to tape with your Blackmagic Design video hardware.

- Step 1.** Select your clips from the timeline in Final Cut Pro X.
- Step 2.** Go to the Share menu and choose Export Movie.
- Step 3.** In the Export Movie window, leave Export on "Current Settings" and also set Include to "Video and Audio". Click "Next".
- Step 4.** Open Media Express and import the clip that was exported from Final Cut Pro X.
- Step 5.** Refer to the Blackmagic Media Express section of this manual for "Editing video and audio files to tape".

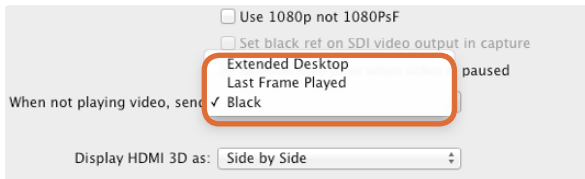


Step 3. In the Export Movie window, leave Export on "Current Settings" and also set Include to "Video and Audio".

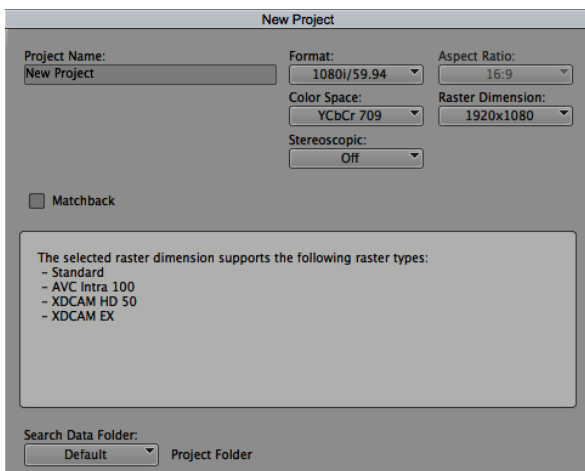
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Avid Media Composer



If using a single computer monitor, open the Blackmagic Design system preferences and send Black when not playing video.



Step 5. Type a project name and set the project options.

Avid Media Composer 7

Avid Media Composer captures and plays back standard definition and high definition video and audio with Blackmagic video hardware and also supports RS-422 deck control. Blackmagic plug-ins for Media Composer are automatically installed if Media Composer is installed before the Desktop Video software.

Setting Up

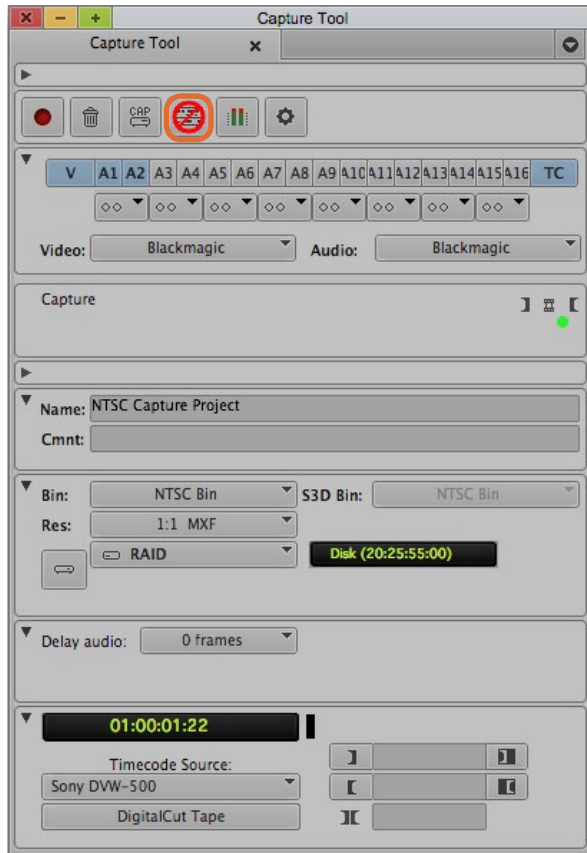
- Step 1.** Launch Media Composer and the Select Project dialog box will appear.
- Step 2.** Choose your preferred User Profile if you have previously created one.
- Step 3.** Select the folder in which you want to create the project: Private, Shared or External.
- Step 4.** Click the New Project button.
- Step 5.** Type a project name and set the project options including Format, Color Space and Stereoscopic. Click OK.. The color space and stereoscopic settings can be changed later in the Format tab of the project.
- Step 6.** Double-click the project name in the Select Project dialog box. The Media Composer interface will appear along with the project window for your new project. You have completed setting up your project.

Playback

As a quick test to make sure everything is connected correctly, go to the Media Composer Editing Guide and follow the section entitled "Importing Color Bars and Other Test Patterns". Double-click the imported file to play it in a pop-up monitor. You should now see the image on both your computer monitor and your Blackmagic output.

If you can't see any video on your Blackmagic output, check the connections again and ensure you have the correct output settings configured within the Blackmagic Design system preferences by choosing Tools > Hardware Setup from within Media Composer.

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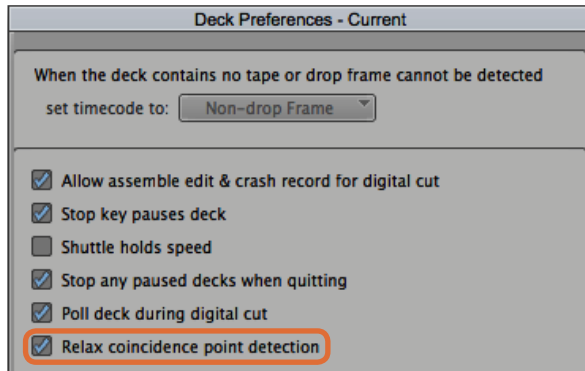
Step 2. Set up the Capture Tool to capture video without deck control by clicking the Toggle Source button.

Capture from Non-Controllable devices

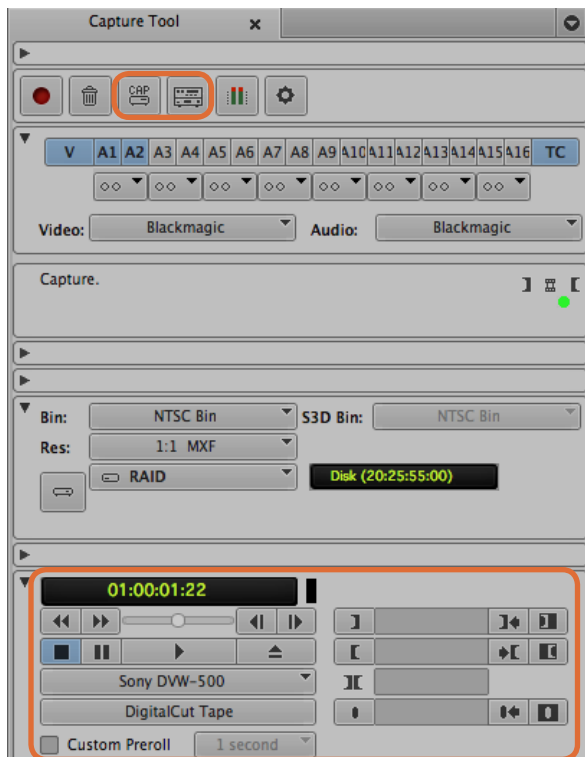
Many video sources including all kinds of modern cameras and disk recorders, as well as old cameras and VHS tape players, do not have any device control. To capture video without deck control:

- Step 1.** Choose Tools > Capture to open the Capture Tool.
- Step 2.** Click the Toggle Source button so that the button's icon of a deck shows a red circle-slash symbol. This symbol indicates that deck control has been disabled.
- Step 3.** Set the Video and Audio input menus to "Blackmagic".
- Step 4.** Select the video source track (V) and the audio source tracks (A1, A2, ...) you wish to capture.
- Step 5.** Use the Bin menu to select a Target Bin from the list of open bins.
- Step 6.** From the Res (resolution) menu, choose which compressed or uncompressed codec you wish to use for your captured clips. For uncompressed 8-bit video, select "1:1" or "1:1 10b" for 10-bit.
- Step 7.** Select the disk storage for your captured video and audio. Use the Single/Dual Drive Mode button to choose if video and audio will be stored together on a single drive or on separate drives. Select the target drive(s) for your captured media from the Target Drives menu(s).
- Step 8.** Click the "Tape Name?" button at the bottom of the window to open the Select Tape dialog box. Select the desired tape, or alternatively add a new one and click OK.
- Step 9.** Ensure your video and audio source is ready or playing and then click the Capture button. The Capture button will flash red while recording. Click the Capture button again to end the capture.

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Step 6. In the Deck Preferences, enable the option to "Relax coincidence point detection".



Set the CAP and Toggle Source buttons to use deck control. Use the Deck Controller Window to cue the tape and start playing.

Capture from Controllable Devices with UltraStudio, DeckLink and Teranex

If you have a deck that connects via RS-422, you will need to configure the deck settings before performing a capture with deck control.

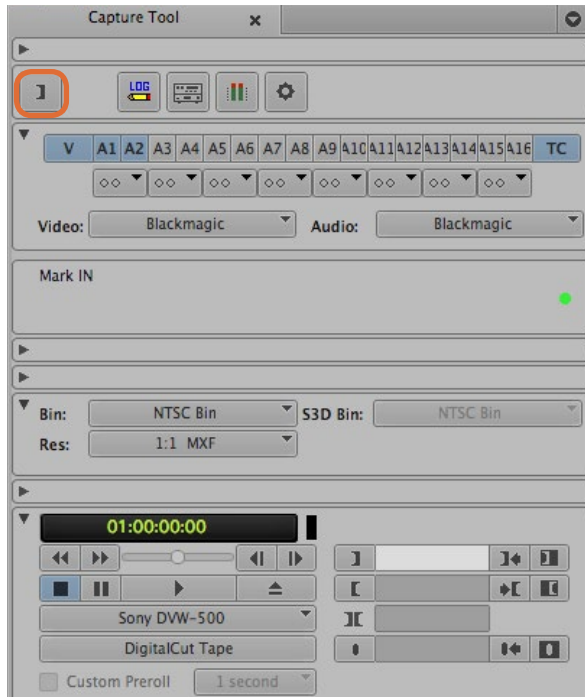
- Step 1.** From your project window, click the Settings tab and double-click on Deck Configuration.
- Step 2.** In the Deck Configuration dialog box, click Add Channel and then set the Channel Type to Direct and the Port to RS-422 Deck Control. Click OK and choose "No" when asked, "Do you want to autoconfigure the channel now?"
- Step 3.** Click Add Deck and then select your brand and model of deck from the Device menus and also set the desired preroll. Click OK and then Apply.
- Step 4.** Under the Settings tab, double-click on Deck Preferences.
- Step 5.** If you plan to make assemble edits to tape, enable the option to "Allow assemble edit & crash record for digital cut". If this option is left unchecked, you will only be able to perform insert edits.
- Step 6.** Enable the option to "Relax coincidence point detection" and set other settings as needed. Click OK. You have completed setting up the RS-422 connection to your deck.

To test the remote connection ensure an RS-422 serial cable is connected between your Blackmagic video hardware and the deck. Set the deck to Remote. Open the Capture Tool and use the standard J, K, L shortcut keys to control the deck. If a deck name appears in italics or "NO DECK" is displayed, click the menu and select Check Decks until the deck is listed without italics and deck control is re-established.

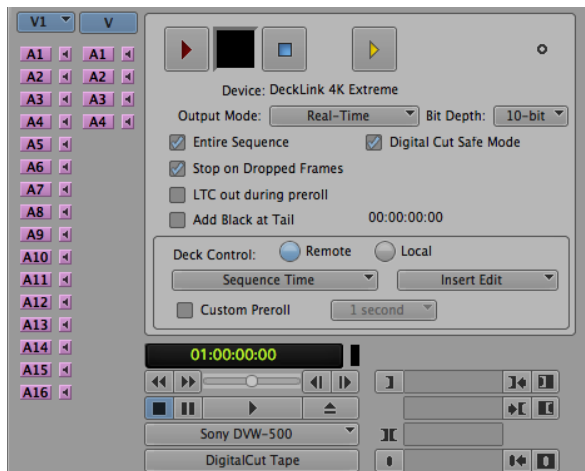
To capture with deck control on-the-fly:

- Step 1.** Choose Tools > Capture to open the Capture Tool.
- Step 2.** The Capture/Log Mode button should show the CAP icon. If this button displays a LOG icon, click the button to switch to capture mode and the CAP icon should appear.
- Step 3.** The Toggle Source button should show the icon of a deck. If a red circle-slash symbol is present, click the button to enable deck control and make the red symbol disappear.
- Step 4.** Configure video and audio input, video and audio source tracks, target bin, res, target drive and tape name the same way as in "Capture from non-controllable devices".
- Step 5.** Use the Deck Controller Window in the Capture Tool to cue the tape and start playing.
- Step 6.** Click the Capture button. The Capture button will flash red while recording. Click the Capture button again to end the capture.

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Step 5. Click on the Mark IN/OUT button or use the "i" and "o" keys on the keyboard to mark in and out points.



The Digital Cut Tool is used for recording to tape.

Batch Capture with UltraStudio and DeckLink

To log clips for batch capture:

- Step 1.** Choose Tools > Capture to open the Capture Tool.
- Step 2.** Click on the Capture/Log Mode button so it displays the LOG icon.
- Step 3.** Configure video and audio input, video and audio source tracks, target bin, res, target drive and tape name the same way as in "Capture from non-controllable devices".
- Step 4.** Use the Deck Controller Window, or use the standard j, k, l shortcut keys, to shuttle backwards, pause and shuttle forwards on the deck and locate the video you want to capture.
- Step 5.** Click the Mark IN/OUT button, to the left of the LOG button. The icon will alternate between IN and OUT so you only have to click the one button to mark all your in and out points. This can be more convenient than using the separate Mark IN and Mark OUT buttons in the Deck Controller Window. Alternatively use the "i" and "o" keys on the keyboard to mark in and out points.
- Step 6.** When you have finished logging in and out points, open the logging bin, select the clips you want to capture.
- Step 7.** Choose Clip > Batch Capture, select the desired options in the resulting dialog box and click OK.

Recording to Tape with UltraStudio and DeckLink

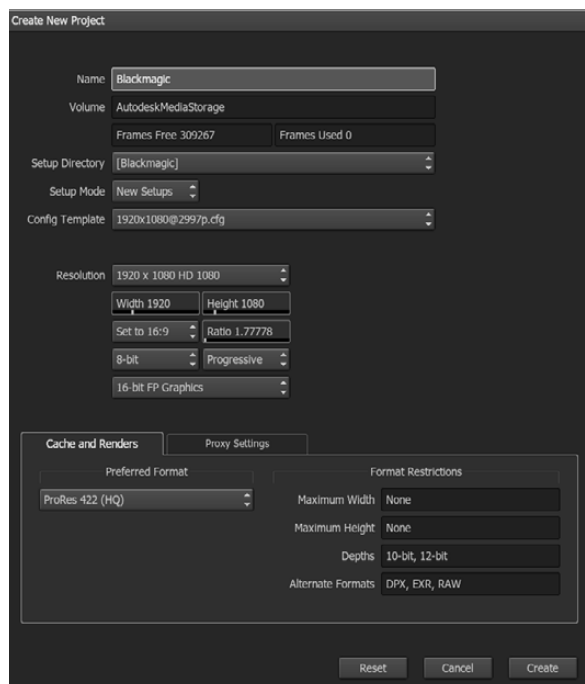
Once you have captured your clips, dragged them in to the timeline, edited them and applied and rendered any effects, you will want to record the completed project to tape.

- Step 1.** Double-click on a sequence, in your project bin, to open it into the Timeline window.
- Step 2.** Choose Output > Digital Cut to open the Digital Cut Tool.
- Step 3.** Set Output Mode to Real-Time, Bit Depth to 10-bit, and Deck Control to Remote.
- Step 4.** From the Edit Menu, choose to Insert Edit or Assemble Edit for precise edits onto a timecode striped tape. Alternatively choose Crash Record for an easy way to record. If Insert Edit is the only option, go to the Settings tab in your project, double-click on Deck Preferences and enable "Allow assemble edit & crash record for digital cut".
- Step 5.** If a deck name appears in italics or "NO DECK" is displayed, click the menu and select Check Decks until the deck is listed without italics and deck control is re-established.
- Step 6.** Press the Play Digital Cut button (red triangle icon) to record your sequence to tape.

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Autodesk Smoke



Type a project name and set the project options.

Autodesk Smoke 2013 Extension 1

Autodesk Smoke brings together editing, compositing and 3D effects into a single workspace. Smoke captures and plays back standard definition and high definition video and audio with Blackmagic video hardware and also supports RS-422 deck control. Before installing Autodesk Smoke, make sure that both the Blackmagic Design drivers and your video device are properly installed.

Smoke's broadcast monitoring allows you to output video through Blackmagic hardware.

Installation

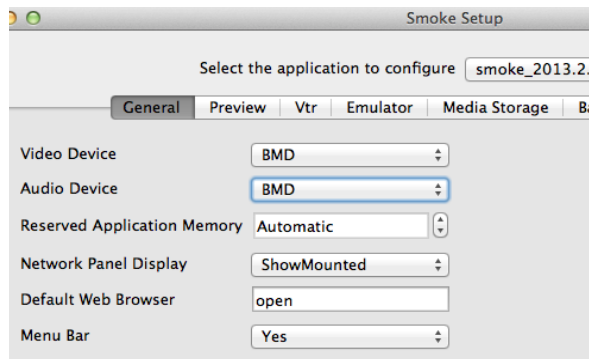
- Step 1.** Launch Smoke and the Project and User Settings window will appear. Choose your Project and User if you have previously created them. Otherwise, create a new project and/or user.
- Step 2.** Set the project settings to match your delivery settings, i.e., 1080HD. Most of these settings can be changed later during your session.
- Step 3.** Choose your intermediate format, such as ProRes 422 or even Uncompressed for your project generated media. Remember to choose a format that your storage can handle.
- Step 4.** Click the Create button.

Setting Up Hardware

It's a good idea to follow the steps below when you are preparing for a VTR session.

- Step 1.** Connect the outputs of your VTR to the inputs of your Blackmagic capture and playback device. Connect the outputs of your Blackmagic capture and playback device to the inputs of your VTR.
- Step 2.** Connect an RS-422 deck control cable from the serial port on your VTR to the remote control port of your Blackmagic Design capture and playback device.
- Step 3.** Set your VTR to remote.
- Step 4.** Connect a sync generator to the sync input of the VTR to ensure frame-accurate capture. If you have a separate audio device, an audio sync signal must be connected to it as well.

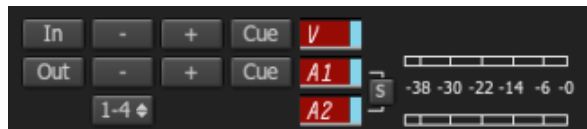
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Ensure Video Device and Audio Device are set to BMD in the Smoke Setup utility.

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	sony	HD D5 720 59.94p	SERIAL1	1280x720_5994P
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Select timing settings for your VTR using the VTR tab in the Smoke Setup utility.



Video and audio tracks turn red when enabled for capture from your VTR.

Setting Up a VTR

Before starting Autodesk Smoke, you must use a utility called Smoke Setup to select the model of the VTR(s) in your facility and its appropriate timing settings.

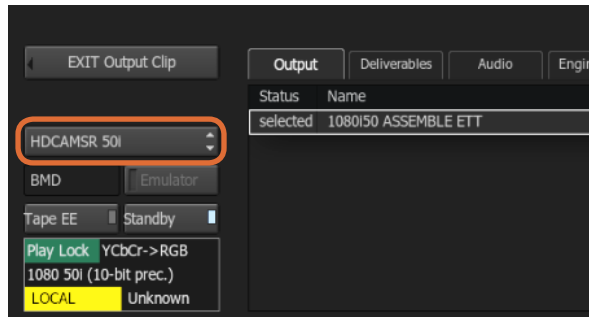
- Step 1.** Go to Applications>Autodesk>Smoke>Utilities and open Smoke Setup.
- Step 2.** In the General tab, make sure that Video Device and Audio Device are set to BMD.
- Step 3.** In the VTR tab, enable the VTR model and the timings you want to use with Autodesk Smoke. Enable the rows with live NTSC or live PAL to enable crash-record or live output.
- Step 4.** Click Apply and close Smoke Setup.

Capture from Controllable Devices with UltraStudio and DeckLink

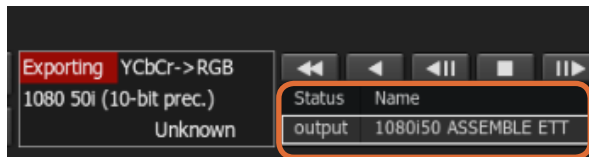
Autodesk Smoke can be configured to capture from controllable VTRs with RS-422 deck control.

- Step 1.** Select a folder in the Media Library where you want the captured clip to be created.
- Step 2.** Select File>Capture from VTR. The VTR Capture module appears.
- Step 3.** Cue the tape to the start frame of the clip you want to capture.
- Step 4.** Select the video and audio channels you wish to record. The buttons will turn red to let you know which tracks are enabled.
- Step 5.** Enter In and Out points in the In and Out fields.
- Step 6.** Click Capture to start the capture. The timecode field will turn green to indicate that capture is in progress.
- Step 7.** End the capture at any time by clicking anywhere over the Preview window. The clip will automatically be saved to the location that you selected before entering the VTR Input module.

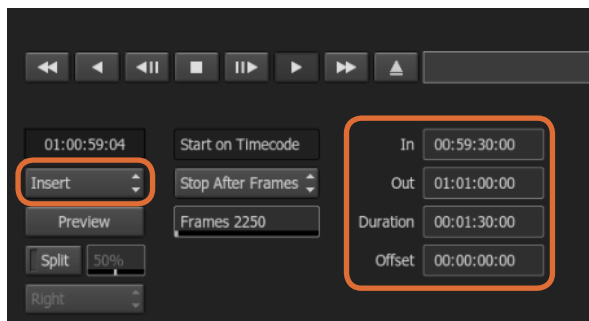
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Step 3. Your VTR should be selectable in the drop down list.



Clips you have selected to output appear in a list with their current status.



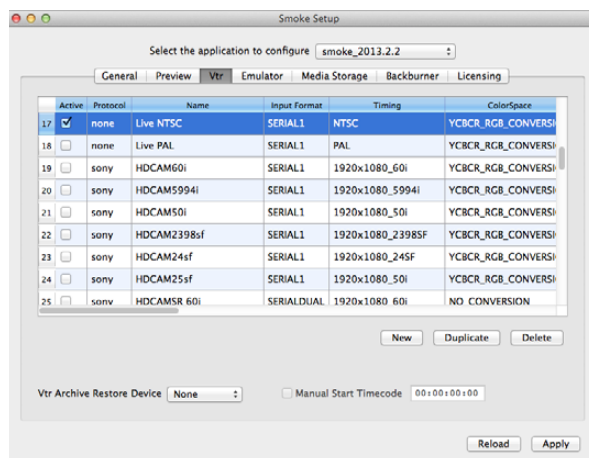
Set your In and Out points, then select Insert from the Output dropdown menu.

Recording to Tape with UltraStudio and DeckLink

Load a clip into the VTR Output module and set the In and Out points for the output clip. If needed, you can also enable the options to offset the start frame for output and to apply a letterbox overlay.

- Step 1.** Select File>Output to VTR.
- Step 2.** Choose the clip(s) to output from the Media Library. You can also select a folder if you wish to output its contents in one session. The VTR Output module appears.
- Step 3.** Select the VTR in the Device Name box. The preview window displays the video from the tape in the selected VTR.
- Step 4.** Make sure that the correct video track and audio channel buttons are enabled so that the corresponding video track and audio channels are output to tape.
- Step 5.** Enable or disable All Audio in the Clip Output menu. When All Audio is enabled, every audio channel will be converted to the format on your tape, not just the ones you enabled.
- Step 6.** Click preview to watch the clip before outputting.
- Step 7.** To output the selected clip starting at any frame other than the first one, enter the start timecode in the Start Offset field.
- Step 8.** Set the In and Out points for clip output.
- Step 9.** To output the clip to the VTR, select Insert from the Output box. The clips with Status selected will be output to tape. During output, the status of each clip will be updated to Pending, Output, and then Done.
- Step 10.** Cue to the In timecode and then select Play to check that the transfer was successful.
- Step 11.** When you are finished, click EXIT Output Clip to close the module.

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Enable the rows with live NTSC or live PAL to enable crash-record or live output.

Crash-Record and Live Output

Autodesk Smoke allows you to capture a live video signal or crash-record a clip by using a tablet pen or a mouse to start and stop the clip input or output process. When you choose this form of capture, Autodesk Smoke checks the available space on your Autodesk Media Storage device to determine the available space, which varies depending on your preferred intermediate format.

Also, if you are using a device that does not support remote control via RS-422, such as a camera, VCR, or any other device, use the Live NTSC or PAL option to capture, and the Live Video option to output clips.

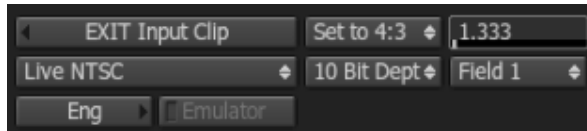
To crash-record a live video signal:

- Step 1.** Choose a folder from the Media Library where you would like the captured clip to be created.
- Step 2.** Select File>Capture from VTR. The VTR Capture module appears.
- Step 3.** From the VTR Device box, select Live NTSC or Live PAL. The incoming live video signal appears in the preview window.
- Step 4.** Select the Start On Pen mode. End the capture by using Stop On Pen or Stop On Frames. Traditionally, Autodesk Smoke was operated with a tablet and pen, hence the Start On Pen terminology.

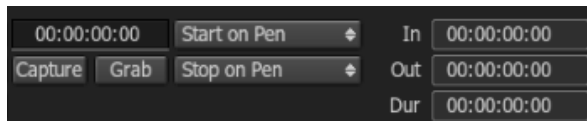
When Stop On Pen is selected for capture stop mode, the out point and the duration timecode fields will be updated to show the longest possible clip that can be recorded on your Autodesk Media Storage device. The capture will either end when you click anywhere on the screen or when your storage fills up.

- Step 5.** Enter the clip name and enable the video tracks and audio channels that you want to capture.
- Step 6.** Make sure you are receiving the live video signal.
- Step 7.** Press Play on the video device.
- Step 8.** Select Process to begin capturing.
- Step 9.** Click anywhere on the screen to end capturing in Stop On Pen mode.

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Select Live PAL or Live NTSC when outputting a live video signal.



Use Start On Pen mode when outputting live video.

To output a live video signal:

Step 1. Select File>Output to VTR.

Step 2. Select the clip(s) to output from the Media Library. You can also select a folder to output its contents. The VTR Output module appears.

Step 3. From the VTR Device box, select Live NTSC or Live PAL.

The Start Mode box is unavailable. With Live Video output, you must use Start On Pen mode. You can use Stop On Pen or Stop On Frames to end the output.

Step 4. Set output options. For example, enter the clip name and enable the video tracks and audio channels that you want to capture.

Step 5. On the device receiving the signal, start the recording, or take any action required to enable the reception of the signal from Autodesk Smoke.

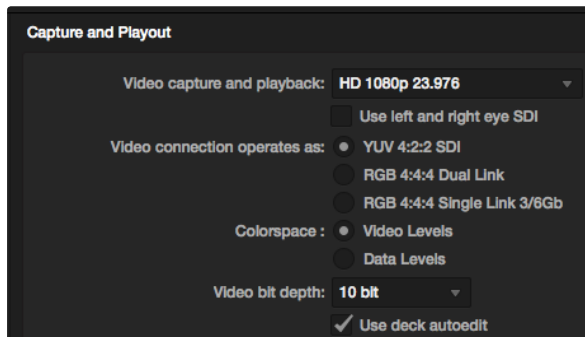
Step 6. Select Process to begin the output on Autodesk Smoke.

Step 7. Click anywhere on the screen to end the output in Stop On Pen mode.

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DaVinci Resolve 10



Select your desired format from the "Video capture and playback" menu.

DaVinci Resolve 10 and Live Grading

Desktop Video 10 allows simultaneous capture and playback on the UltraStudio 4K and DeckLink 4K Extreme. This is great for users who want to use the Live Grading feature within DaVinci Resolve 10, as it means you don't require two separate devices for input and output.

When using live grading on-set, simply connect the output of the camera to the input of your Blackmagic hardware. Then connect the hardware's output to an on-set monitor for grading evaluation and viewing.

Setting Up

- Step 1.** Launch Resolve and from the Preferences menu, select the "Video I/O and GPU" tab and select your hardware from the "For Resolve Live use" option. Save your preferences and restart Resolve to apply your changes.
- Step 2.** Start a project and from within the Project Settings window, set the resolution and frame rate to match your camera.
- Step 3.** In the Project Settings window, go to the "Deck Capture and Playback" tab and select your desired format from the "Video capture and playback" menu.
- Step 4.** Go to the Edit page and right click in the Timeline window and select "Create New Timeline".
- Step 5.** From the Color menu, select "Resolve Live On/Off". You should now see live video within the Viewer and a bright red "Resolve Live" button will appear above the video.

Using Resolve Live

- Step 1.** In Resolve Live mode, the Freeze button (snowflake icon) freezes the current incoming video frame, so you can grade it without being distracted by motion occurring during the shoot. When you've made the adjustment, you can unfreeze playback in preparation for grabbing a snapshot.
- Step 2.** Once you're happy with a grade, clicking the Snapshot button (camera icon) saves a snapshot of the current still in the Viewer, the incoming timecode value, and your grade into the Timeline. Snapshots are simply one-frame clips.

You can refer to the DaVinci Resolve 10 manual for more information on Resolve Live.

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What is Blackmagic Media Express?

Blackmagic Media Express software is included with every UltraStudio, DeckLink and Intensity as well as every ATEM Switcher, Blackmagic Camera, H.264 Pro Recorder, Teranex Processor and Universal Videohub. Media Express 3 is a great tool when you don't need the complexity of NLE software but simply want to capture, play back and output clips to tape.

Capturing Video and Audio files

Setting Up a Project

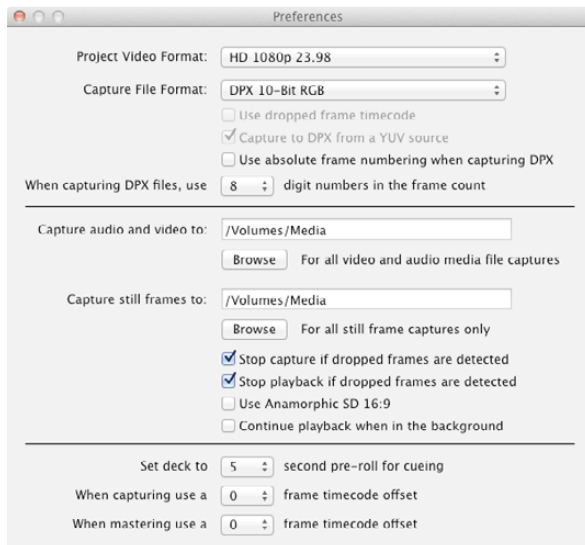
Before capturing any clips in Media Express, you will need to select the settings for your project.

- Step 1.** Go to Media Express>Preferences or Edit>Preferences on Windows or Linux. The project formats listed will vary depending upon whether your Blackmagic video hardware supports features such as Ultra HD 4K video or stereoscopic 3D video.
- Step 2.** Select from a range of compressed and uncompressed capture formats or even a DPX image sequence from the Capture File Format drop down menu. Video will be captured in the chosen format and saved as a QuickTime movie.
- Step 3.** Set the storage location for your captured video and audio.
- Step 4.** Choose whether to stop capture or playback if dropped frames are detected.

Standard definition projects use the 4:3 aspect ratio unless you enable the Anamorphic SD 16:9 checkbox.

Applications will normally stop playing video if you send them to the background. Tick the checkbox "Continue playback when in the background" if you want Media Express to keep playing video when you open another application in the foreground.

The final options relate to tape decks with RS-422 deck control and include pre-roll and timecode offsets.

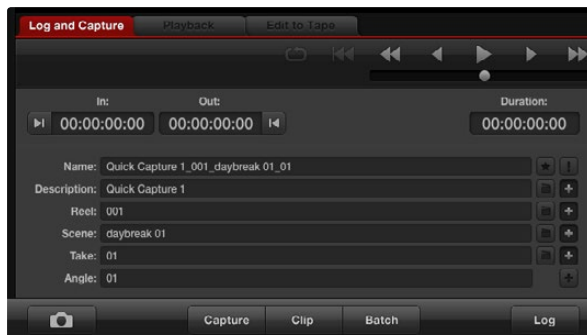


Use the Preferences window to set video format, file format, storage location and other settings.

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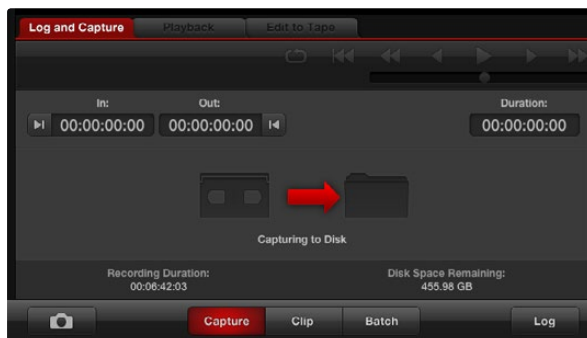
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Enter a description for your video.



Set the desired number of audio channels to be captured.



Click the "Capture" button to begin capturing.

Capture

Capturing video is easy and all you need to do is connect a video source, set the Media Express preferences and press the Capture button.

- Step 1.** Start by connecting your video source to an input of your Blackmagic video hardware and check that the Blackmagic system preferences are set to the same video input, e.g. SDI, HDMI or analog.
- Step 2.** Open Media Express and set its preferences to the project video format and capture file format.
- Step 3.** Click the red Log and Capture tab and enter a description into the Description field.
- Step 4.** Click the "+" button next to the Description to add it to the automatic Name field. Click the "+" button next to any of the other fields that you wish to add to the Name field.
 - To increment the value in each of these fields, click the corresponding clapper board icon. Alternatively, type directly into any field to customize its name and number.
 - The text in the automatic Name field will be applied to the clip(s) which are about to be captured.
 - To log the clip as a favourite, click the "star" icon next to the Name field.
 - For a clip name confirmation prompt to appear before every capture, click the "!" icon next to the Name field.
- Step 5.** Set the desired number of audio channels to be captured.
- Step 6.** Click the "Capture" button to start recording. To stop the capture and keep the clip, click the "Capture" button again. Alternatively, press esc to be prompted to delete or save the clip. The captured clips are added to the Media List.

Logging clips

Ensure an RS-422 serial cable is connected between your Blackmagic video hardware and the deck. Ensure the deck's Remote/Local switch is set to Remote. Use the standard j, k, l shortcut keys to shuttle backwards, pause and shuttle forwards.

Click the Mark In button to mark the In point, or use the shortcut key **i**.

Click the Mark Out button to mark the Out point, or use the shortcut key **o**.

Click the Log Clip button to log the clip, or use the shortcut key **p**. The entry should now appear in the Media List with a red X in its icon to indicate the media is offline.

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Batch Capture

After logging a clip, you can click the Clip button to capture a single clip.

To capture multiple clips, continue logging the clips for batch capture.

Select the logged clips in the Media List and do one of the following:

- Click the Batch button.
- Right-click on the selection and select Batch Capture.
- Go to the File menu and choose Batch Capture.

Media Express will capture the clip from the In to the Out timecode.

DPX Capture

If you want to capture a DPX image sequence rather than a movie file, open the Media Express preferences and set the Capture File Format to DPX 10-Bit RGB.

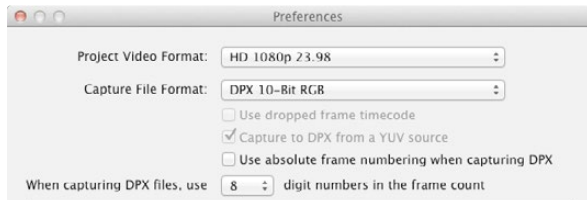
- Create a DPX project by setting the capture file format to DPX.
- Capture.

When the capture has been completed, a single thumbnail will appear in the Media List representing the entire frame sequence. The sequence of DPX frames will be stored in its own folder in your disk storage. Audio will be stored in a .wav file in the same folder.

By default, DPX captures are assumed to be from YUV sources. If you need to capture from an RGB source, disable the "Capture to DPX from a YUV source".

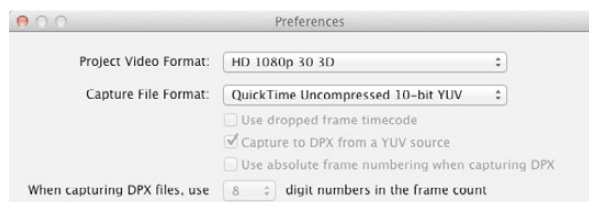
If you want the DPX frame numbers to be based on the timecode of the captured video, rather than just starting from zero, enable the option to "Use absolute frame numbering when capturing DPX".

If you aren't performing long DPX captures, you may wish to reduce the number of zeroes in the frame numbers by changing the option, "When capturing DPX files, use (2-8) digit numbers in the frame count".



DPX capture preferences

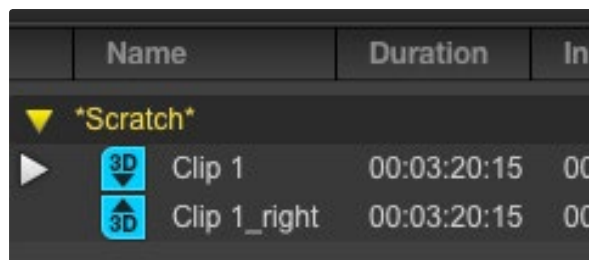
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Select a project video format with "3D" in its name to capture dual-stream stereoscopic 3D video clips.



In Thumbnail view, the left and right eye clips are connected by a 3D indicator and presented as a single, large icon.



In Timecode List view, the left and right eye clips are listed on two lines and linked together by a 3D indicator.

3D Capture

When Media Express is used with a Blackmagic video hardware model that supports dual-stream 3D, you can create left and right eye 3D video clips by capturing 2 streams of HD-SDI video simultaneously.

- Create a 3D project which matches the frame rate of your dual stream 3D video source.
- Ensure you have 2 discrete HD-SDI video inputs to the Blackmagic video hardware.
- Capture.

When capturing and logging dual stream 3D in Media Express, the clip name will be applied to the left eye video. The right eye video will be appended with '_right' text. For example, if you name the stereo clip "Clip 1", the left eye clip will be called "Clip 1.mov" and the right eye clip will be called "Clip 1_right.mov".

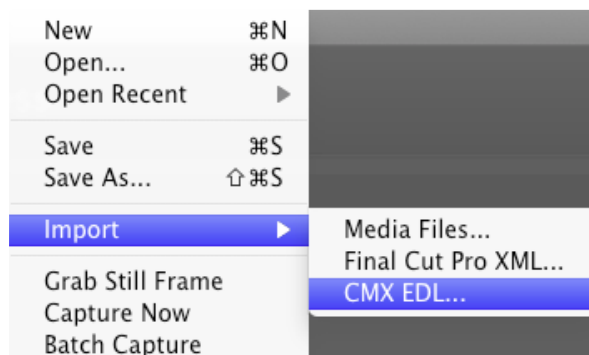
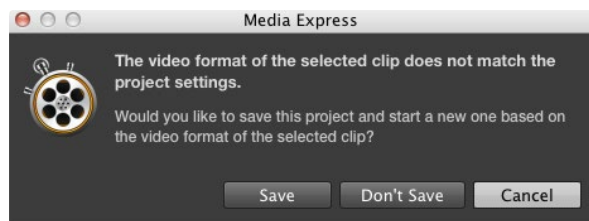
The Media List presents an eye-catching indication that the captured clip is a 3D clip:

- In Thumbnail view, the left and right eye clips are connected by a 3D indicator and presented as a single, large icon.
- In Timecode List view, the left and right eye clips are listed on two lines and linked together by a 3D indicator.

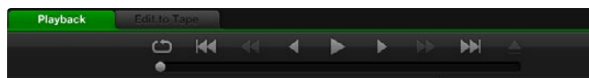
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You can import media directly, or import with an XML or EDL.



You can use the transport controls to play, stop, jump to the next or previous clip and loop playback.

Playing back Video and Audio Files

Importing clips

You can play back your video and audio files after importing media into Media Express in any of the following ways:

- Double-click an empty area of the Media List.
- Right-click an empty area of the Media List and select Import Clip from the contextual menu.
- Go to the File menu, select Import and then Media Files.

Select the video and audio clip(s) you wish to import from the Open Video Clip dialog box. The clips will appear in the Scratch area of the Media List. If you have created your own bins in the Media List, you can drag the clips into the desired bin.

To import directly to a bin, right-click within the desired bin and select Import Clip from the contextual menu.

If the files being imported do not match the frame rate and size of existing clips in the Media List, you will be prompted to create a new project and to save the current project.

Media Express also supports the import of multichannel audio-only files recorded at 48kHz in the uncompressed WAVE (.wav) and AIFF (.aif) formats.

Another way to import media is to use an XML file exported from Final Cut Pro. Go to the File menu, select Import and then Final Cut Pro XML. Open the desired XML and all the bins and media from the Final Cut Pro project will appear in the Media List.

Media Express also supports the import of CMX EDL files to batch capture clips using EDL files from other video software. Go to the File menu, select Import and then CMX EDL. Select the EDL and open it. The logging information will appear in the Media List. Select the logged clips and perform a batch capture to import the clips from your deck.

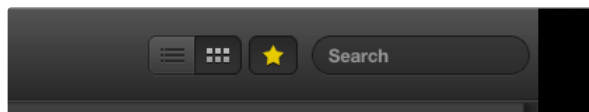
Playing back single and multiple clips

To play back a single clip, double-click the clip in the Media List. Alternatively, select the clip in the Media List and press the space bar on your keyboard or the play button in the transport controls.

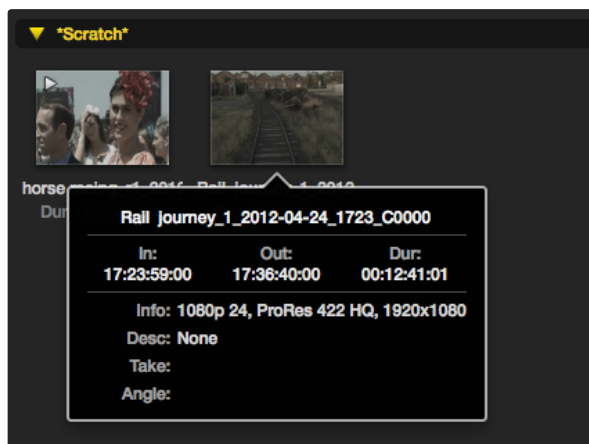
To play back multiple clips, select the clips in the Media List and then press the space bar on your keyboard or the play button in the transport controls.

Your video will play back in the video preview pane of Media Express and on all the video outputs of your Blackmagic video hardware. During playback, the audio channels being monitored can be switched on or off via the track enable/disable buttons.

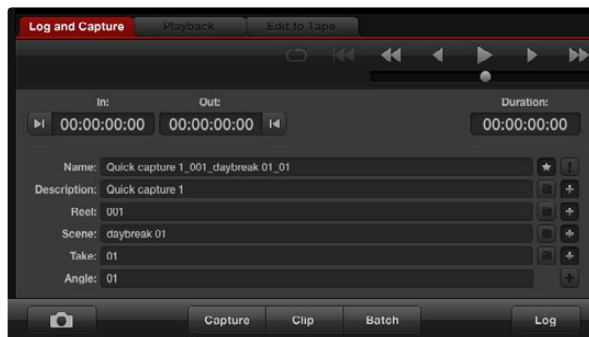
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In the Media List, choose to view your clips in Timecode List view or Thumbnail view. Click the Favorites button to show only your favorite clips. Type in the Search field to find your favorite clips.



Click a thumbnail's popup info icon to view the info bubble.



In the Log and Capture tab, click the "star" icon next to the Name field if you want to log the clip as a favorite.

Browsing Media

Thumbnail view

Thumbnails are the most intuitive way to display your clips. Hover your mouse over the clip's thumbnail and then click on the popup info icon at the bottom-right of the thumbnail. Click the info bubble to hide it.

List view

You can view your clips in Timecode List view by clicking on the Timecode List button at the top-right of the Media List. Use the horizontal scroll bar to view all the columns of information for your clips.

Creating and using bins

To create a bin, right click an empty spot in the Media List and select "Create Bin". Name the new bin.

You can move clips around by dragging the clip icons to the desired bin. If you want a clip to appear in more than one bin, import the same clip again by right-clicking on the bin and choosing "Import Clip".

By default, logged clips appear in the Scratch. If you want to log clips and have them appear in a new bin, right-click the new bin and choose "Select As Log Bin".

Creating and using favorites

In the Log and Capture tab, click the "star" icon next to the Name field if you want to log a clip as a favorite.

In the Playback tab, clicking the "star" icon will make the clip a favorite if it is selected in the Media List. Click the "star" icon again to deselect it as a favorite.

Clips marked as favorites will show a yellow star in their icon in Timecode List view and Thumbnail view.

Once you have marked clips as favorites, click on the "Show only favorites" button at the top of the Media list. The star icon will turn yellow. All clips will be hidden except for those marked as favorites.

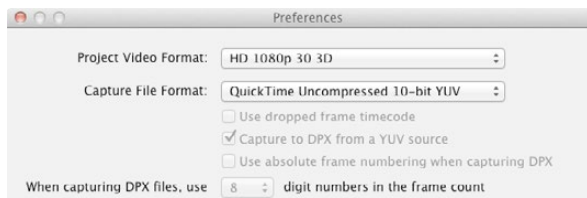
Linking an audio clip to a video clip

To link an audio clip to a video clip in the Media List:

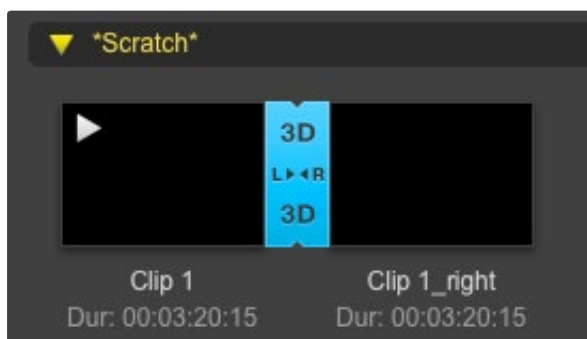
- Select a video clip which contains no audio channels.
- Right-click on the video clip and select 'Link Audio File' from the contextual menu.

You can now play back the combined clip or master it to tape.

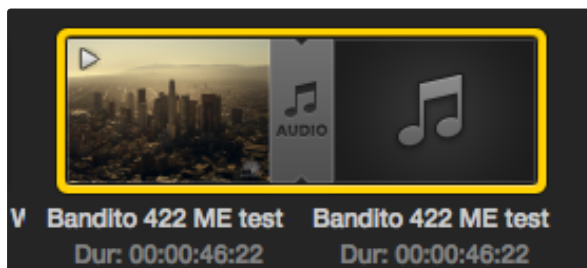
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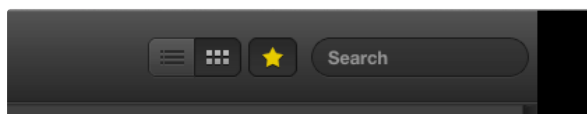
Select a 3D project video format.



The Media List presents a highly visible indication that the imported clip is a 3D clip.



The Media List presents a highly visible indication that the video and audio clips are linked.



Type in the Search field to find clips.

Deleting clips and bins

To delete clips, select the unwanted clips and press the forward delete button on your keyboard. This will only delete the clips from the Media List and they will safely remain on your disk storage.

To delete bins, right-click within a bin and choose "Delete Bin". This action will delete the bin and any clips it contained. This will only delete the clips from the Media List and they will safely remain on your disk storage.

Creating a 3D clip

To add a stereoscopic 3D clip to the Media List:

- Select a 3D project video format that is the same frame rate as your 3D media.
- Import the 'left eye' file into the Media List.
- Right-click on the left eye file and select "Set Right Eye Clip" from the contextual menu. If the right eye clip was previously captured by Media Express, the right eye video will be appended with '_right' text.

The Media List presents a highly visible indication that the imported clip is a 3D clip. The left and right eye clips are displayed side by side in the Video Preview window, indicating a 3D video project.

If you find the left and right eyes of a 3D stereo clip have been loaded the wrong way around:

- Right-click the 3D clip in the Media List.
- Select 'Swap Eyes' from the contextual menu.

Searching the Media List

Clips can easily be found in a project by typing the name of your clips in the Search field at the top of the Media List. When used in conjunction with the favorites feature, the search will be confined to your favorite clips so you will see a shorter list of found clips.

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Mark In /
Mark Out

Record
Modes

Master to
Tape

Audio channel
enable/disable

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Editing Video and Audio Files to Tape

While we usually talk about mastering or editing to "tape", it doesn't matter if your deck uses tapes or disks. To master your clips:

- Select the clips you want to send to tape.
- Click the blue Edit to Tape tab.
- Set the In point and type of edit.
- Master to tape.

Selecting clips to master

From the Media List, select the clips you wish to master to tape. You can even insert multichannel audio-only clips to replace the master audio track on a master tape. If you only want to send your favorite clips to tape, click the favorite (star) icon at the top of the Media List to show your favorites and hide all other clips. Then select the favorite clips you wish to send to tape.

Insert and Assemble to tape

Click the blue Edit to Tape tab. Enter the In point of the tape by entering timecode into the In point field, or by cueing the tape to the desired point via the transport control and then clicking the Mark In button.

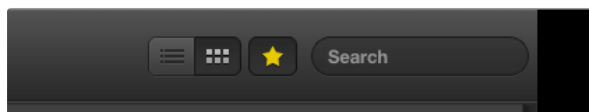
If no Out point is entered, Media Express will set the duration of the edit to the total length of the clips in the Media List. If an out point is defined, Media Express will stop recording once the Out point timecode is reached, even if some clips have not been output.

Choose to master to tape using Assemble or Insert edit. Then press the Master button.

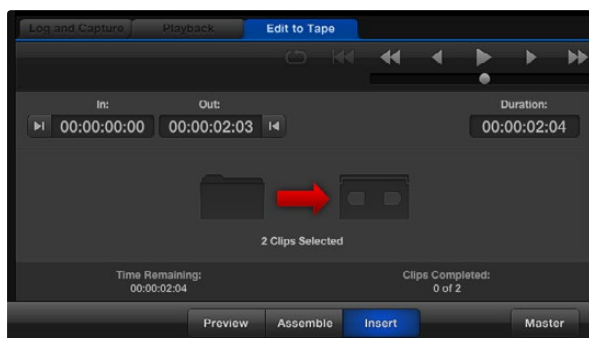
Preview mode mimics the edit process but does not record to tape. This mode lets you check the edit point. Preview edit operations should always be checked on monitors connected directly to the output of the deck. This lets you view the video already on tape in conjunction with the new video.

If Record Inhibit is enabled either on the deck or on the tape, Media Express will report this when you click the Master button. Disable Record Inhibit before trying again.

Select the video and audio channels you wish to output via the track enable/disable buttons. Deselect the video channel if you only want to output audio.



Click the favorite (star) icon at the top of the Media List to show only your favorites.

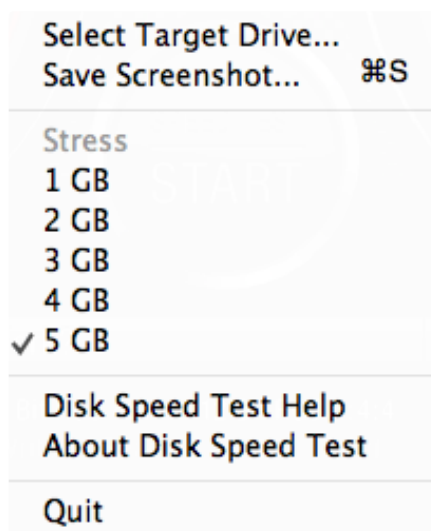


Two clips have been selected for output to tape.



Set the desired number of audio channels to be mastered.

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Open the Settings menu by clicking the gear icon.

What is Blackmagic Design Disk Speed Test?

Blackmagic Disk Speed Test measures the read and write performance of storage media in video frame sizes. Disk Speed Test is included free with any Blackmagic Design product installation on Mac OS X and Windows or can be downloaded free from our website. Access the Disk Speed Test settings by clicking on the Settings button (the gear icon), located just above the Start button.

Select Target Drive

Click Select Target Drive and ensure you have Read and Write permissions.

Save Screenshot

Click Save Screenshot to save a screenshot of the results.

Stress

The stress level can be set between 1GB and 5GB in 1GB increments. 5GB is the default setting and will provide the most accurate results.

Disk Speed Test Help

Click Disk Speed Test Help to launch the PDF manual for Disk Speed Test.

About Disk Speed Test

About Disk Speed Test displays which version of the Disk Speed Test you are running.

Start

Click the Start button to commence the disk speed test. Disk Speed Test will write and then read a temporary file to the selected target drive. Disk Speed Test will continue writing and reading until you stop the test by clicking the Start button again.

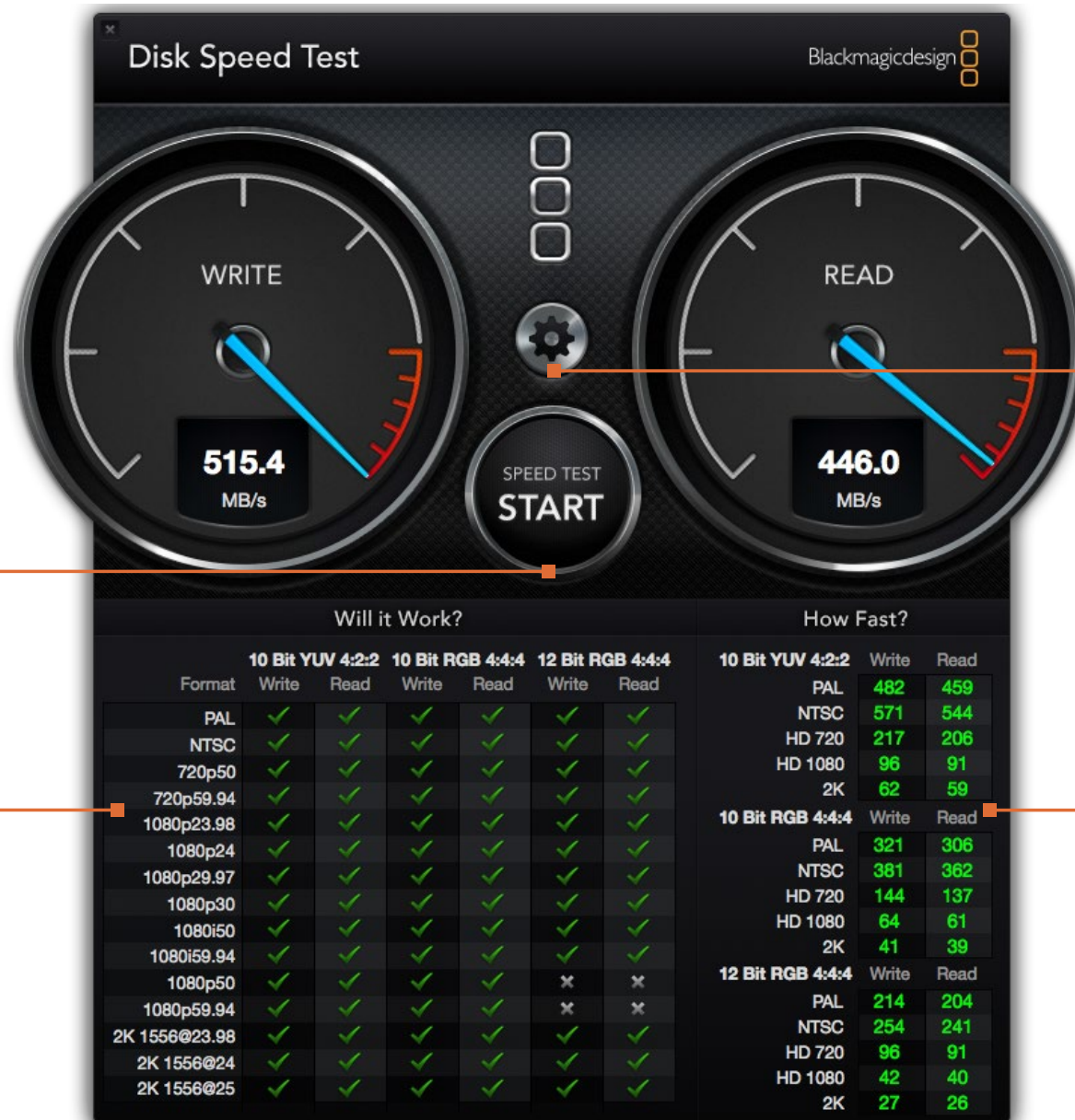
Will it Work?

The "Will it Work?" panel shows common video formats and displays a check mark or cross to indicate if disk performance is adequate. Be sure to do several test cycles to reveal any video formats for which the disk performance might be marginal. If a video format exhibits a check mark switching between a cross, it indicates that the disk storage cannot reliably support the video format.

How Fast?

The "How Fast?" results panel shows the frame rates your drive can achieve and should be read in conjunction with the "Will it Work?" panel. If the "Will it Work?" panel shows a green check mark for 2K 1556@25fps in 10 Bit YUV 4:2:2, but the "How Fast?" panel shows that a maximum of 25fps will be supported, the disk storage performance is too marginal to be reliable.

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START

Click this button once to start the disk speed test. Click again to stop the test

Will it Work?

This panel shows which video formats can be supported by your disk storage

Settings

Click this button to access the settings before running a disk speed test

How Fast?

This panel shows results in frames per second (fps)

Getting Help

The quickest way to obtain help is to check the latest support material for your specific hardware at the Blackmagic Design online support pages.

Blackmagic Design Online Support Pages

The latest manual, software and support notes can be found at: www.blackmagicdesign.com/support

Contacting Blackmagic Design Support

If you can't find the help you need in our support material, you can email us by using the "Send request" button on the support page of your specific hardware. Alternatively, you can call your nearest Blackmagic Design support office at: www.blackmagicdesign.com/company

Checking the Version Currently Installed

To check which version of Desktop Video software is installed on your computer, open the Blackmagic Design Desktop Video system preferences. The version number appears in the title bar.

- On Mac OS X, open the System Preferences to locate the Blackmagic Design icon. Click the Blackmagic Design icon to reveal the version number.
- On Windows 7 and Windows 8, open the Control Panel and click on the "Hardware and Sound" category to reveal the Blackmagic Design Control Panel. Click the Blackmagic Design Control Panel to reveal the version number.
- On Linux, go to "Applications" and then "Sound and Video" to locate the Blackmagic Control Panel. Open the control panel to reveal the version number.

How to Get the Latest Updates

After checking the version of Desktop Video installed on your computer, please visit the Blackmagic Support Center at www.blackmagicdesign.com/support to check for the latest updates. While it is advisable to run the latest updates, you should avoid updating software when in the middle of an important project.



Developing Custom Software using Blackmagic Design Hardware

The DeckLink SDK is available for developers to control Blackmagic video hardware with their own custom software. The DeckLink SDK supports the UltraStudio, DeckLink, Multibridge and Intensity products.

The DeckLink SDK provides both low-level control of hardware and high-level interfaces to allow developers to easily perform common tasks. The DeckLink SDK supports technologies including:

- Apple QuickTime
- Microsoft DirectShow
- Apple Core Media
- DeckLink API

Downloading the Free Blackmagic Design SDK

The DeckLink SDK can be downloaded at: www.blackmagicdesign.com/support/sdks/

Joining the Blackmagic Design Developer List

The Blackmagic Developer mailing list is designed for technical questions regarding technologies used by Blackmagic Design, such as QuickTime, Core Media, DirectShow, codecs, APIs and SDKs. The free mailing list is a forum where developers can discuss ideas and problems with other developers. Any subscriber may reply and the Blackmagic Design engineers will also respond when appropriate. You can subscribe to the mailing list at: <http://lists.blackmagicdesign.com/mailman/listinfo/bmd-developer>

If it is not obvious from your domain name that you are a developer, we may request a brief outline of your software. As the list is designed solely for developers, we endeavor to keep it free of spam and viruses, non-development questions and employment agents or sales people promoting products.

Contacting Blackmagic Design Developer Assistance

If you wish to ask questions off the list, please contact us at: developer@blackmagicdesign.com



Caution label
Warnetikett
Avertissement

Caution: Risk of Electric Shock

On the UltraStudio 4K enclosure you will see a yellow warning label marked 'Caution: Risk of Electric Shock'. This is intended to warn users that there may be the presence of uninsulated "dangerous" voltage within the UltraStudio 4K enclosure which may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electric shock to the user. Blackmagic Design advises you not to open the UltraStudio 4K unit, but rather contact your nearest Blackmagic Design service center should assistance be required.

Achtung: Stromschlaggefahr

Auf dem UltraStudio 4K-Gehäuse befindet sich ein gelbes Warnetikett mit der Aufschrift 'Caution: Risk of Electric Shock'. Dieses warnt den Benutzer vor einer möglichen, nicht isolierten, "gefährlichen" Spannung innerhalb des UltraStudio 4K-Gehäuses, die einen Elektroschock verursachen kann. Blackmagic Design empfiehlt das Gehäuse des UltraStudio 4K nicht selbst zu öffnen, sondern bei Hilfebedarf das nächstgelegene Blackmagic Design Servicecenter zu kontaktieren.

Attention: Risque de choc électrique

Sur le boîtier du UltraStudio 4K, vous verrez une étiquette d'avertissement de couleur jaune sur laquelle est inscrit « Attention : Risque de choc électrique ». Cette mise en garde est destinée à avertir les utilisateurs de la présence possible d'une tension « dangereuse » non isolée à l'intérieur du boîtier du UltraStudio 4K, laquelle tension pouvant avoir une amplitude suffisante pour constituer un risque de choc électrique à l'utilisateur. Blackmagic Design vous déconseille donc d'ouvrir l'unité UltraStudio 4K, et vous recommande de contacter votre centre de service Blackmagic Design le plus proche en cas de nécessité.

Limited Warranty

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