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DVD PLUG-IN

Easy DVD Authoring

Welcome To Ulead DVD Plug-in

The DVD format is fast becoming the popular choice when creating multimedia files. Boasting of unparalleled quality and flexibility, DVDs have become the standard format in producing multimedia files. With this in mind, Ulead introduces its entry level DVD authoring tool. Presented in a wizard type workflow, the Ulead DVD Plug-in tool is the easiest way to create DVDs. This plug-in walks you through the steps in the DVD creation process. Essential elements in the DVD authoring process such as creating Scene selection menus, DVD folders, and the disc image file can be generated with just a few mouse clicks.

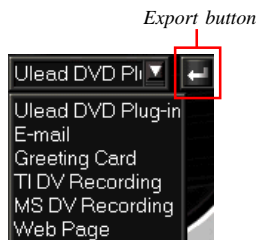
Besides being able to produce DVD titles, this plug-in also allows you to create VCDs and SVCDs in the same manner that you create DVDs. With a simple guided workflow, you don't have to worry about the complexities in the DVD/VCD/SVCD production process.



Accessing the Ulead DVD Plug-in

VideoStudio

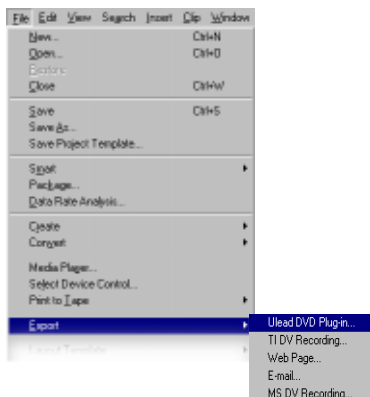
The Ulead DVD Plug-in is available in VideoStudio in either the **Storyboard** or **Finish** steps. Access it by selecting **Ulead DVD Plug-in** in the **Output Options** drop down menu and then clicking the **Export video clip** button.



Output Options box

MediaStudio Pro

The Ulead DVD Plug-in is only available in MediaStudio Pro's **Video Editor** module. Access it by selecting **File: Export - Ulead DVD Plug-in** from the Menu bar.



Note: You cannot invoke the Ulead DVD Plug-in if the video clip is not a DVD/VCD/SVCD compliant video file.

Troubleshooting tip for Ulead DVD Plug-in

For MPEG files created before installing the Ulead DVD Plug-in, re-create the files to be DVD/VCD/SVCD compliant first before accessing the GoDVD! Plug-in.

VideoStudio

To re-create the files to be DVD/VCD/SVCD compatible, use either the **Save selection as a new video file** (with the clip selected) button in the Storyboard step or the **Make a movie** button in the Finish step.



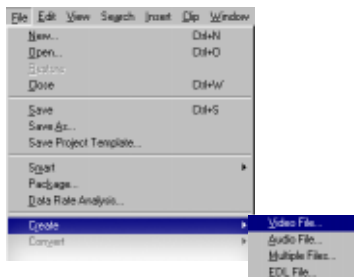
Storyboard step



Finish step

MediaStudio Pro

To re-create the files to be DVD/VCD/SVCD compatible, select **File: Create - Video** from the Menu bar.

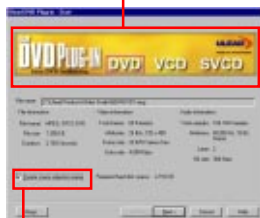


Step 1 Start

The **Start** step allows you to view the important details regarding the selected DVD/VCD/SVCD compliant file. Vital information such as the video and audio attributes are displayed here.

1. In the Start dialog box, select the **Create scene selection menu** option to create a navigation menu. This is where the viewer can instantly access the different scenes in your video by using the remote control.

Indicates the type of media that will be created



Start dialog box

Create scene selection menu option

2. Click **Next**.

Note: When the option **Create scene selection menu** is deselected, the authoring process skips to Step 5 after clicking **Next**.

Step 2 Add Scene

In this step you can select the scenes you want to include in the **Scene selection menu**. These scenes are made available to viewers so they can go directly to any scene within the video.

3. Use the preview buttons to go through the different frames in your video file. Browse for the scenes you want to include in the Scene selection menu. You can only add scene frames (I-frames) to the Scene selection menu.

Preview buttons



Add Scene dialog box

Locate scene frames option

Tip: Select the **Locate scene frames** option to be able to automatically search for the scene frames (I-frames) in the video file. Use the **Previous scene frame** and **Next scene frame** buttons on the preview buttons bar to locate the scene frames of your video.

- Click **Add** when you see the portion you want to insert in the Scenes list (up to 99 scenes). The added scenes become entries in the Scene selection menu. If you want to remove a scene, just select the scene in the Scenes list then click **Remove**.

Note: You cannot remove the first scene in the Scenes list.

- Select the **Add introduction video file** option. This allows you to add a video clip that automatically plays when the disc is inserted in a player.
- Click **Next**.

Add and Remove buttons



Add Scene dialog box

Add introduction video file option

Step 3

Add Introduction Video File

In DVD/VCD/SCVD movies, a video clip automatically plays everytime the disc is inserted. In this step, you can select a file to become your Introduction Video File (also known as First Play Clip).

- Click **Browse** to search for the video file you want to use as your introduction video file.

Note: If you are creating a DVD-Video file, then the introduction video file should also be DVD-Video compliant. This also holds true when selecting an introduction video clip when creating VCDs and SVCDs.

- Watch the selected video clip in the Preview window using the preview buttons.

- Click **Next**.



Add Introduction Video File dialog box

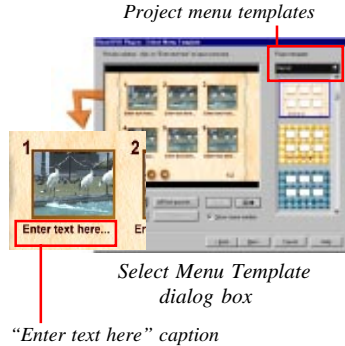
Step 4 Select Menu Template

In this step of the process, you can create the Scene selection menu. This Scene selection menu will allow the viewer to instantly access the various scenes in your video.

10. Select a preset template layout theme from the drop-down menu.
11. Apply the desired preset template layout by double-clicking the thumbnail from the list.

Notes:

- Click on the “Enter text here...” caption below the scene holders in the Preview window to enter your own caption.
- The **Show scene number** option is only available when creating DVD-Video files.



12. Click **Next**.

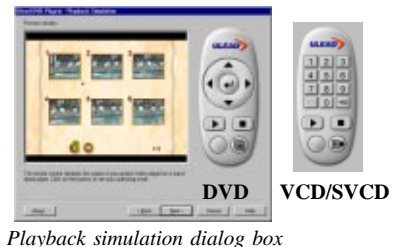
Tip: Use your own custom backgrounds for the layout templates. Go to the Scene selection menu page of the background to change, then click **Background**. **Reset** and **Reset All** changes the background back to the default preset template background. Scene text changes are retained when changing backgrounds.

Step 5 Playback Simulation

This is where you can preview the video file and behavior of the Scene selection menu you have created.

13. Use the remote control to simulate the behavior of the DVD/VCD/SVCD title created.

Note: The Scene selection menu appears after playing the introduction video file. Press the **Play** button to play the video file.



Step 6

Determine Output Options Settings

Select the folder location where you want to save the DVD/VCD/SVCD output files. Determine also the settings for the device you want to use to burn the created file.

- Click **Browse** to specify a folder location to store the files created.
- Specify the CD-R/RW drive that you want to use in burning the DVD/VCD/SVCD file and recording speed.

Notes:

- Select **Perform writing test before recording** to check first if there are errors in the file and if there is enough disk space before actually recording.
- Select **Enable BURN-proof** to eliminate the "buffer underrun" problem. Your CD-R/RW writer must support this technology in order for this function to work.



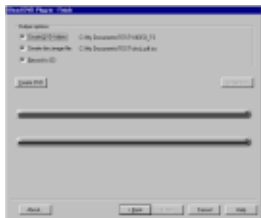
Determine Output Options Settings dialog box

Step 7

Finish

This is the final step in the authoring process. Determine what output options you want for the video file.

- Select what output options you want created out of the video file.
- Create DVD folders** - Creates a DVD volume in your hard disk. This also allows the user to view the file using DVD-Video player software in the computer.
 - Create disc image file** - Creates the disc image file in the hard disk. This is the file used when burning to a CD disc.
 - Record to CD** - Burns the DVD/VCD/SVCD files to the CD disc.
- Click **Create DVD/VCD/SVCD**.



Finish dialog box

Note: Click **Erase CD** to delete the contents of the CD-RW disc.

Learn more about DVDs/VCDs/SVCDs on the Ulead DVD Plug-in Web sites



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