



# Convert Blu-ray content

Helen Bradley explains how to convert your Blu-ray content into other more mobile video formats.

If you have home video content on a Blu-ray disc, you can easily convert it so it can be viewed on your computer, phone or iPad using VSO Blu-ray Converter Ultimate. It can even burn the converted content to DVD if you have a DVD burner available. In this article, we'll get you started working with VSO Software Blu-ray Converter Ultimate.

To get started, visit <http://tinyurl.com/3gv77w> and download the program. You can buy it for US\$49.99 or start with the free trial version. The trial lacks the ability for you to burn the project to a DVD, but you can store the converted files on your computer. The trial also places some text over the converted video, which doesn't happen with the paid version. However, the trial version will let you easily explore the program's features.

Install VSO Blu-ray Converter, launch it and insert your Blu-ray home movie disc into your Blu-ray drive. The program won't work with copy-protected Blu-ray discs.

Click the blue button and select the source to use. The program will check the structure of the video and display it in the dialog. If you plan to output to AVI, PS3, iPhone, iPad or Xbox, you can choose only one video, audio and subtitle track; if you select the subtitles, they'll be automatically embedded in the video stream. Choose what to convert before continuing.

Click 'Next Step' to go to the Settings area — clicking on Settings itself won't take you here. Select an output profile for the kind of playback to use. For each output option you'll have a range of resolution options to choose from. If you select DVD,

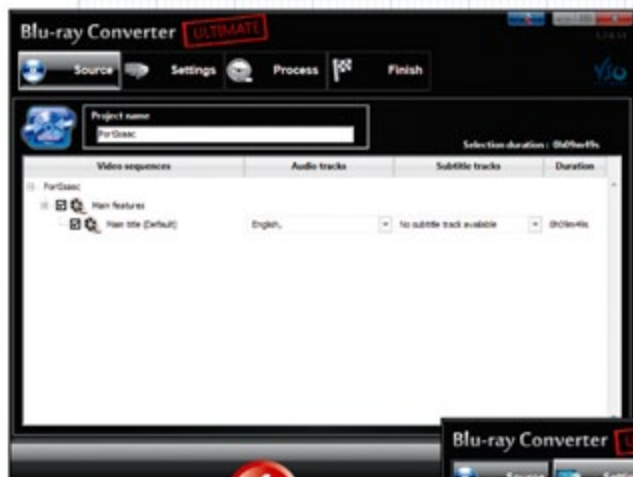
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choose PAL for playing in Australia. If you're using the full version of the program and you plan to burn the result to a DVD, click 'Burn Final Result after Conversion' and configure your DVD settings.

When you've made your choices, click the Convert button and the program will begin the conversion process. If you have a blank DVD in your drive, the disc will be formatted before the burning process begins. If you decide not to burn the content now, you can burn the project at a later date by selecting the option from the Tools menu.

## stepbystep CONVERT BLU-RAY CONTENT



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Select the source of the content to convert — either a disc, folder or an ISO image. The program will then display the content available for conversion.

Configure the settings for the output file, including what format to use and the output resolution. You can also select the file size and get an idea of the video quality you'll get.

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Click to convert the content — you can view the video in the preview as it converts. When the process is complete, you can click to locate and view the converted video content.