

Digitizing VHS Tapes and DVD using Elgato Video Capture

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I. Material

1. You are digitizing **DVDs** or **VHS tapes**

For your digitization project, you will need to borrow:

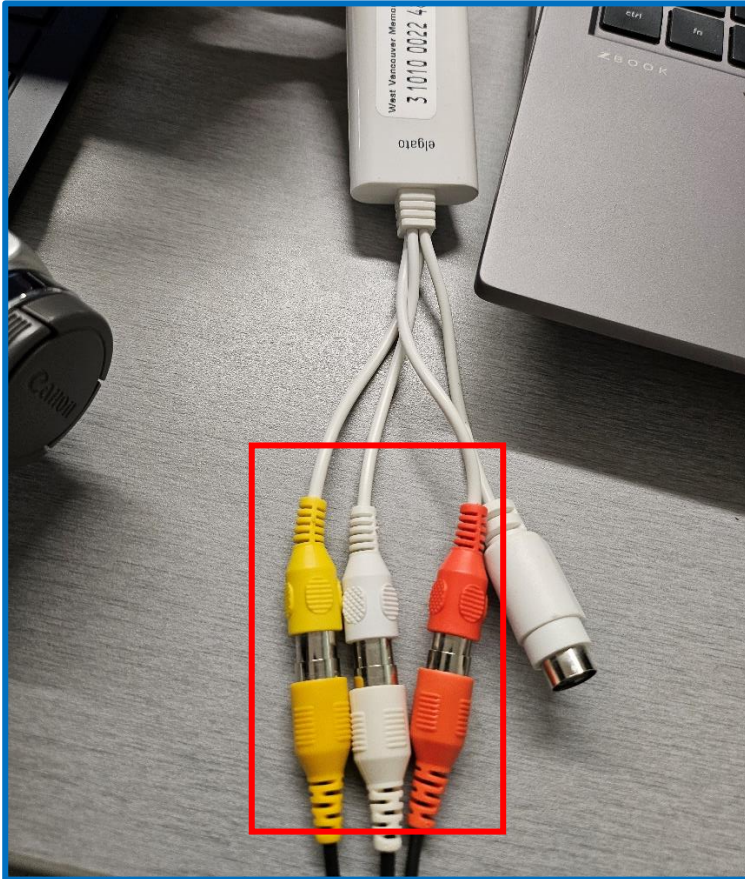
- Phillips DVD Recorder/VCR OR Sony Video Cassette Recorder
- Elgato

II. Set Up

1. Plug the composite RCA cable (yellow, white, and red) into the corresponding outputs on the back of the VHS/DVD player.



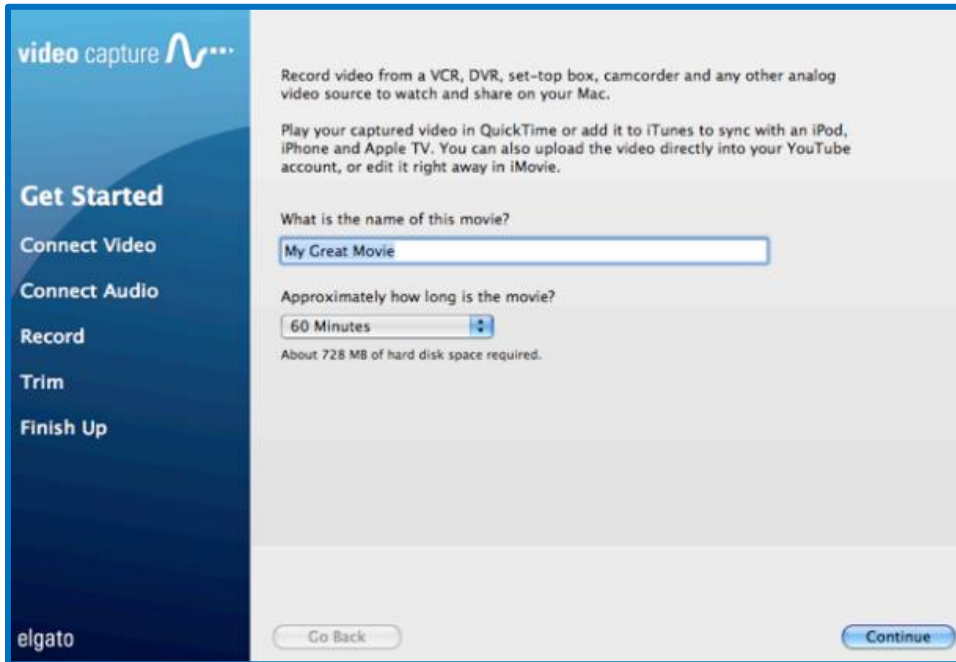
2. Plug the other end to the Elgato Video Capture Device.



3. Plug in the power cable for the VHS player.
4. Plug the USB end of the Video Capture Device into the computer's USB port.

III. Video Capture

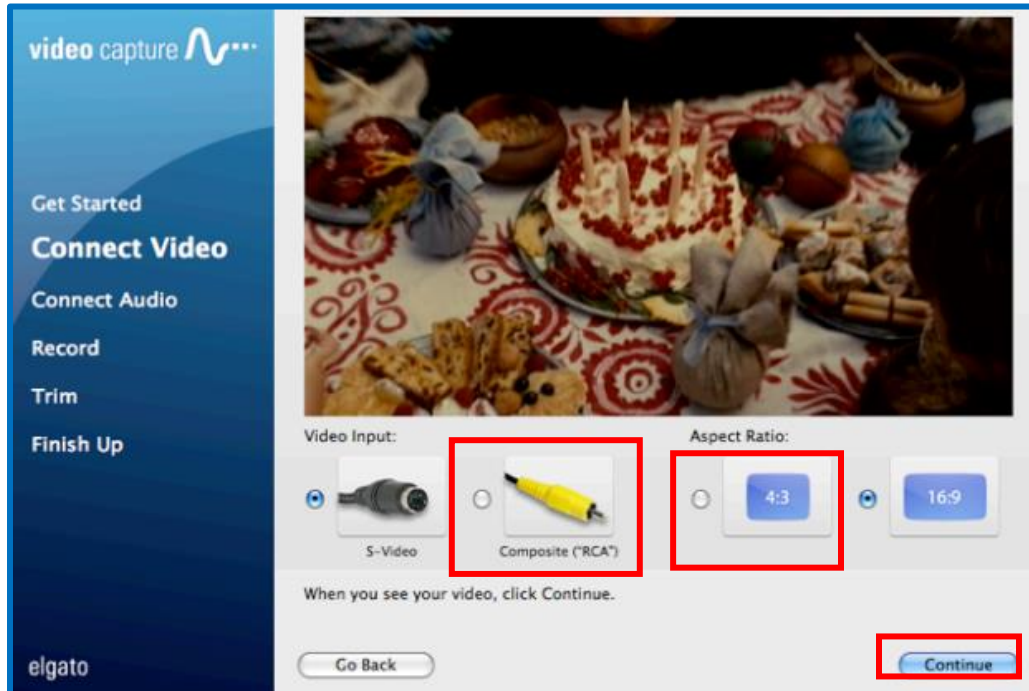
1. Open the **Elgato Video Capture** application on the computer.
2. A video capture assistant will walk you through the entire process. Follow the prompts on the screen.
3. The first screen will ask you to name your movie and select an approximate duration.



4. Click **Continue**.

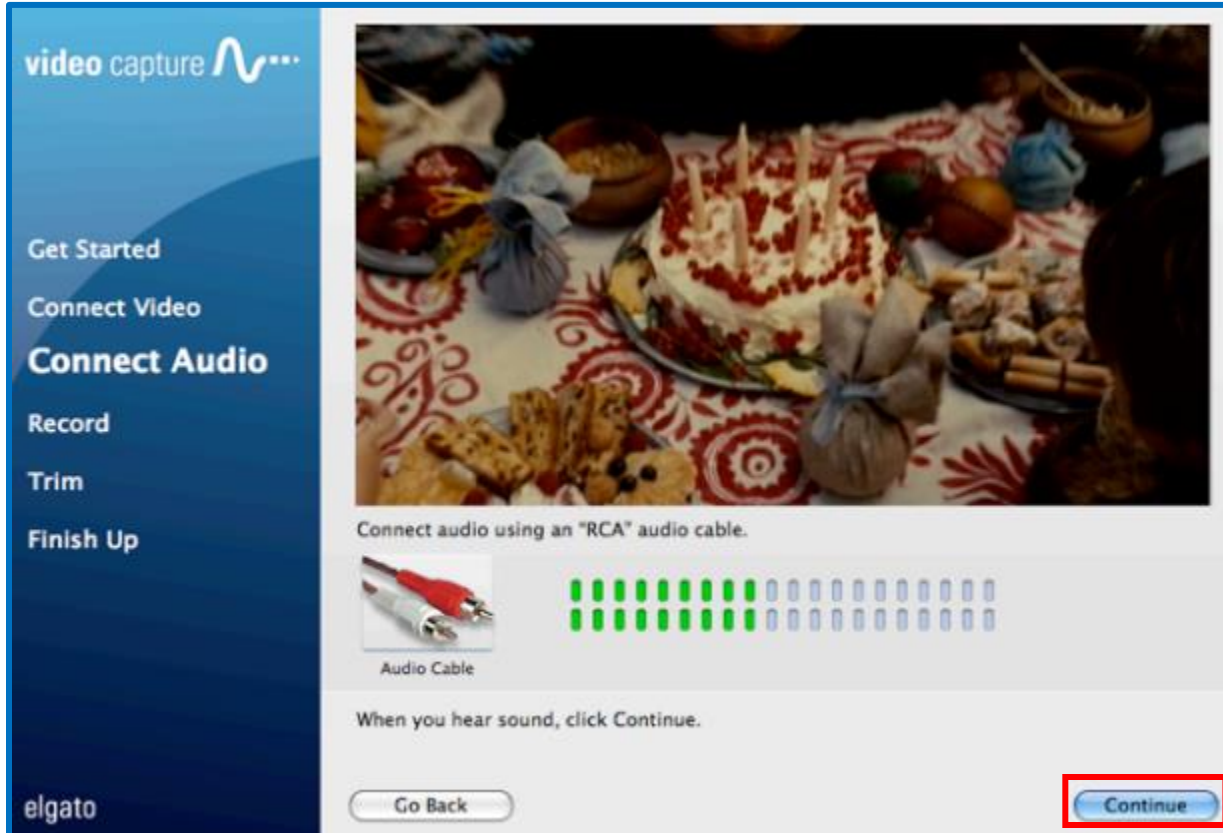
Connect Video


1. Turn on the VCR and insert your VHS tape or DVD.
2. Select the Video Input and Aspect Ratio.
 - a. Select **Composite**.
 - b. Select your Aspect Ratio in the application. Most VHS tapes are **4:3**
3. Your VHS tape or DVD should play in the preview box.
4. Click **Continue**



Connect Audio

1. Check that the RCA cables are plugged in.
2. If you hear sound and the bars are green, click **Continue**.
3. If the bars are red, adjust the volume on your device until they turn green.



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Get Started
Connect Video
Connect Audio
Record
Trim
Finish Up

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Connect audio using an "RCA" audio cable.

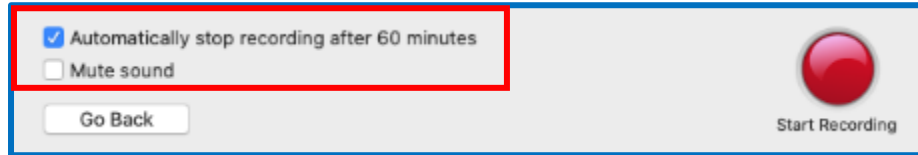
Audio Cable

When you hear sound, click Continue.

Go Back Continue

Record

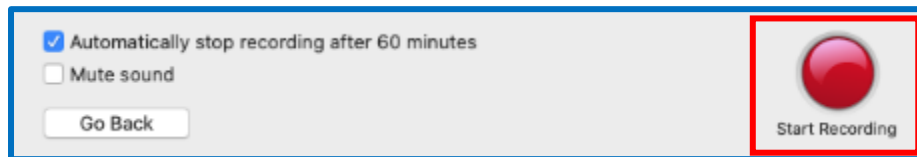
1. If you want the application to stop recording after your pre-set duration, **tick Automatically stop Recording.**
2. To manually stop recording, untick **Automatically stop recording.** You can press the **Stop Recording** button to stop recording at any time.



3. Make sure **Mute Sound** is unchecked.
4. **Rewind (<<)** your VHS tape or DVD on the player and hit **Pause** until you are ready to record.

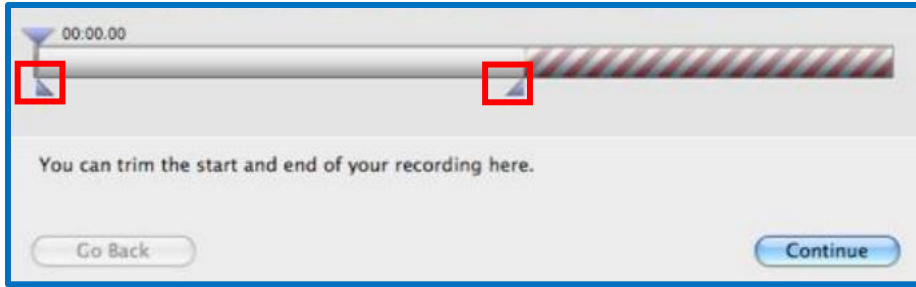


5. Hit **Start Recording** in the application and then press **Play** on the VHS player to record.



Trim

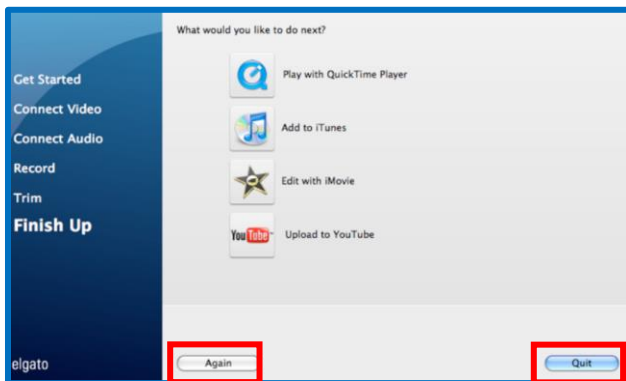
1. This step is optional.
2. If you would like to trim your recording, drag the **blue handles** below the timeline on the screen.



3. Click **Continue** when you are done.

IV: Play Back, Share, Export

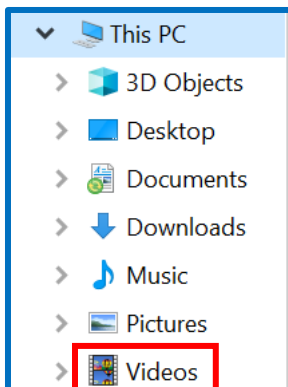
- If you would like to create a new recording, press **Again** and the assistant will start over from the beginning. If you are finished recording, press the **Quit** button to exit the assistant.



- The Elgato Video Capture software saves the captured movie to the Movies folder (Mac) or Videos folder (Windows).
- To save your video to your storage device, open **File Explorer** on the Laptop.

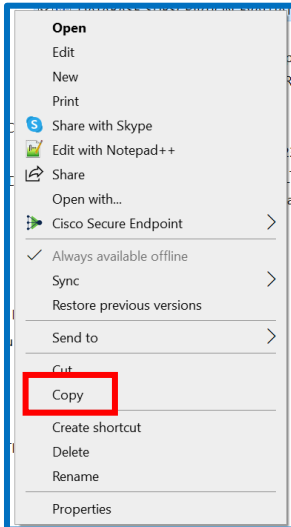


- Find the **Videos folder** on the left-hand menu and double click to open.



- Insert your storage device into the UBC port on the laptop.

- Your storage device should appear on the left-hand menu in File Explorer.
- Once you've located your storage device, **right click** on the video you want to transfer and click **Copy**.



- Double click on your storage device. When it opens, **right click**, and click **paste**.

