

How to Burn MP4 to DVD

This wikiHow teaches how to burn an MP4 video file onto a blank DVD disc. In order to make a DVD playable in most DVD players, you'll need to use free software such as DVD Flick (Windows) or Burn (Mac). If you just want to store the MP4 or...

Method 1 of 4:

Burning a Playable DVD on Windows



1.

Place a blank DVD in your computer's DVD tray. You can use any of the rewriteable DVD formats, as long as your DVD burner supports them. This includes DVD±R and DVD±RW, though DVD±RW discs are less likely to work in standalone DVD players.

1. If any auto-play windows open after you insert the DVD into your computer, close them before continuing.
2. If your computer doesn't have a DVD tray (signified by the word "DVD" on or near the tray), you'll first have to buy and plug in a USB DVD tray.



Download the DVD Flick program. This program is free, and can encode MP4 files for playback on most DVD players. To download it:^[1]

1. Go to <http://www.dvdflick.net/download.php> in your browser.
2. Click **Download DVD Flick** in the middle of the page.
3. Wait for the download to start. You may also need to select a save location and/or confirm the download.



Install DVD Flick. Double-click the DVD Flick setup file once it's done downloading, then do the following:

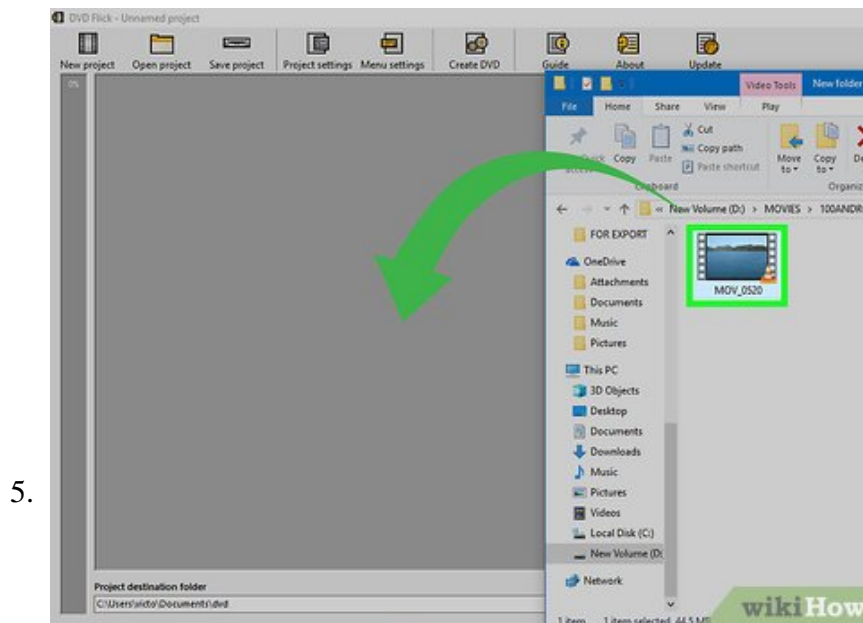
1. Click **Next**
2. Check the **I accept** box.
3. Click **Next** four times.
4. Click **Install**

5. Click **Next**
6. Click **Finish**



Open DVD Flick. Double-click the DVD Flick icon, which resembles a film strip. The DVD Flick window will open.

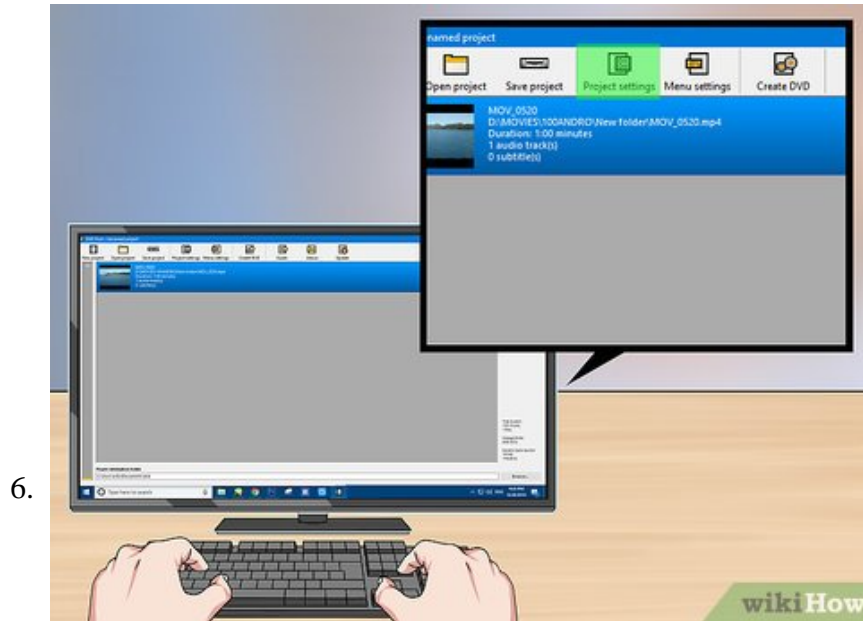
1. You may have to click **OK** or **Close** on a tutorial window before proceeding.



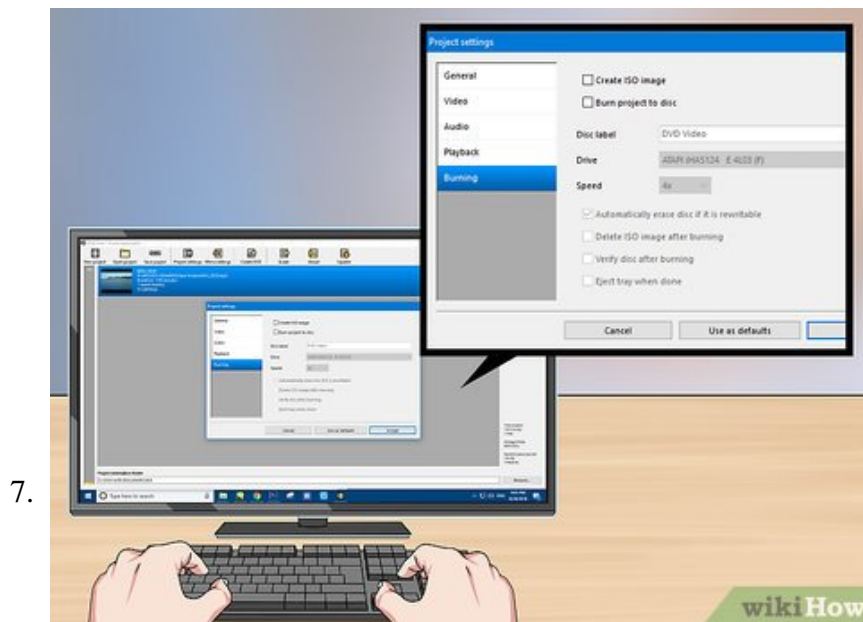
Place an MP4 file in the DVD Flick window. Find the MP4 video that you want to burn onto your DVD, click and drag the video onto the DVD Flick window, and release the mouse button. This will drop the file onto the DVD Flick window.

1. If DVD Flick opens in a full-screen window, click the double-square icon in the upper-right corner of the window and then click and drag the top of the window to reposition the window on the screen.

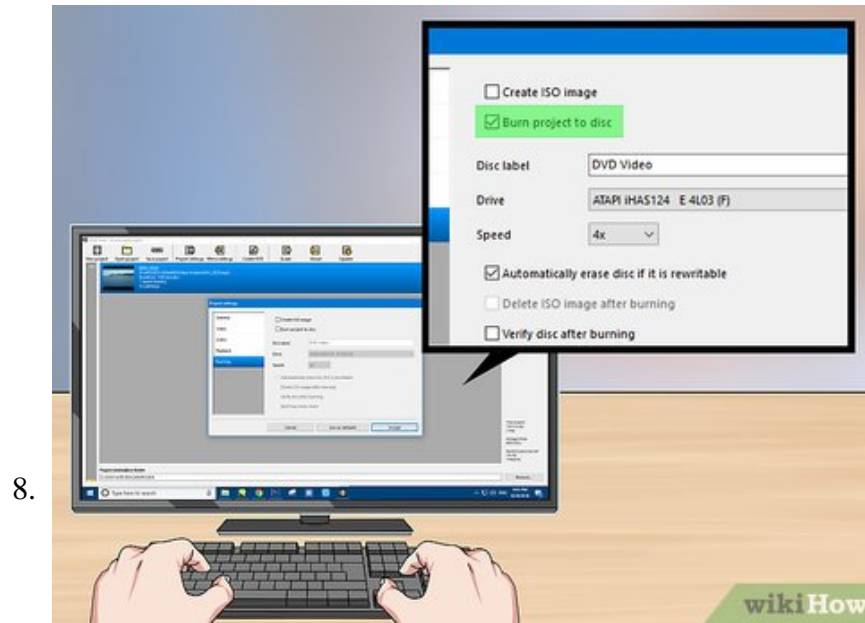
2. If you have two windows open, you can drag one window to the far-left side of the screen to snap it there and then select the other window that you want open to snap it to the other side of the screen.



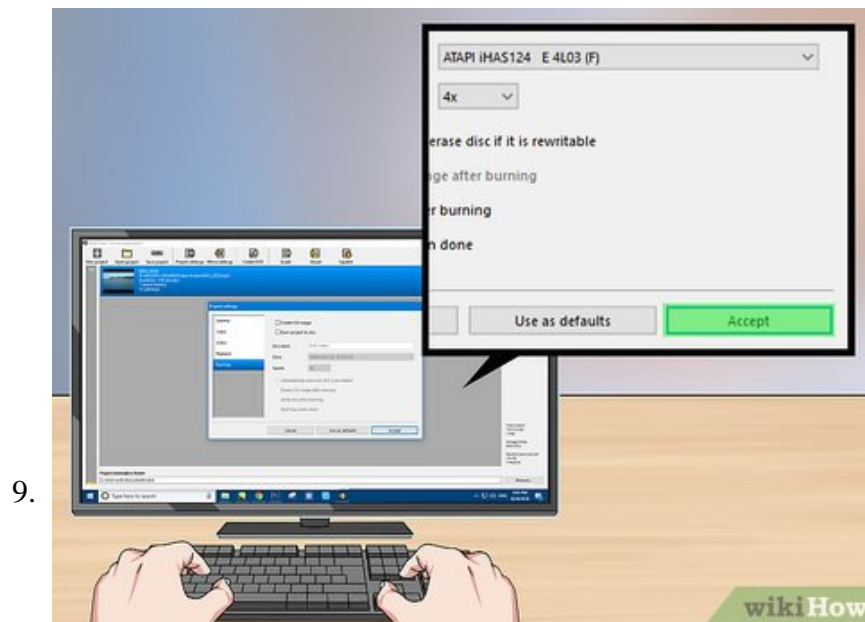
Click **Project settings**. This tab is at the top of the DVD Flick window. Doing so will open the DVD Flick Settings page.



Click the **Burning** tab. It's on the left side of the page.



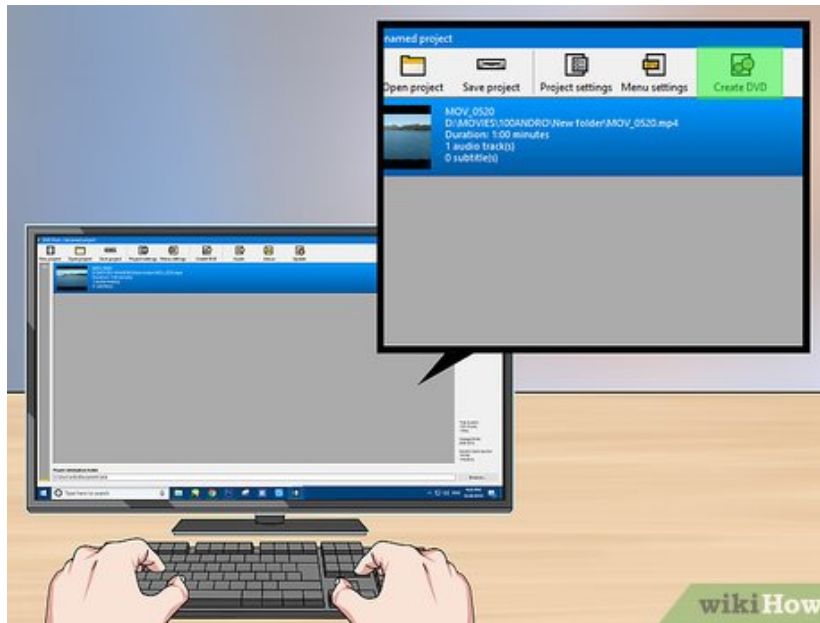
Check the "Burn project to disc" box. You'll find this near the top of the page. Checking this box ensures that your MP4 file will be burned onto your DVD disc.



Click **Accept**. It's at the bottom of the window. This saves your settings and returns you to the DVD Flick main page.

1. If you plan on burning future projects using DVD Flick, click **Use as defaults** instead.

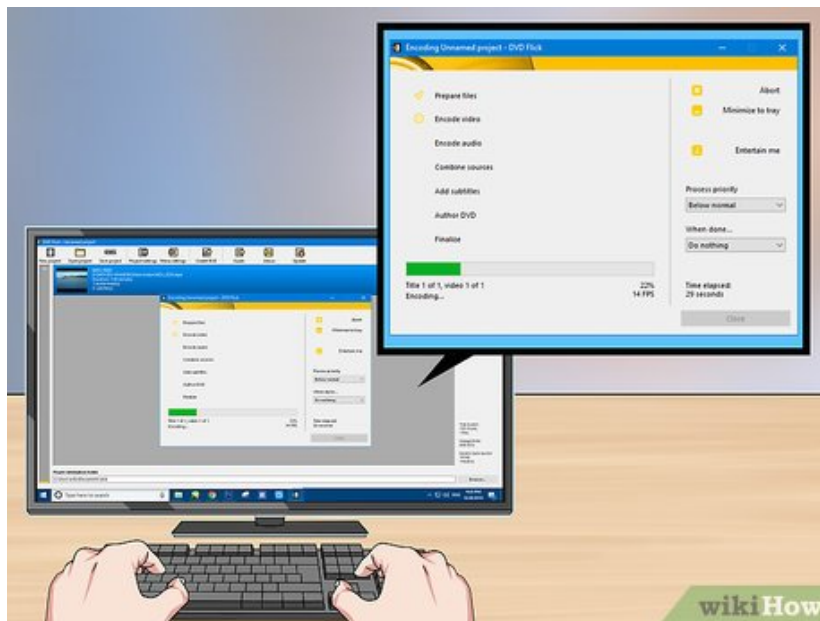
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Click **Create DVD**. This button is at the top of the window. Doing so will prompt DVD Flick to begin encoding and burning your MP4 file.

1. If prompted with a warning about choosing a different file name, just click **Continue**.

11.



Wait for the process to conclude. DVD encoding and burning can take several minutes to an hour or more depending on the length of the video.

1. If you receive an error during this process, see the "Tips" section at the bottom of this article for another way to burn your MP4 onto a DVD with DVD Flick.

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Test your DVD. Once the process is complete, you can eject your DVD and insert it into the DVD player of your choice.

1. Again, if this doesn't create the DVD properly, see the "Tips" section for a potential fix.

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Burning a Playable DVD on Mac

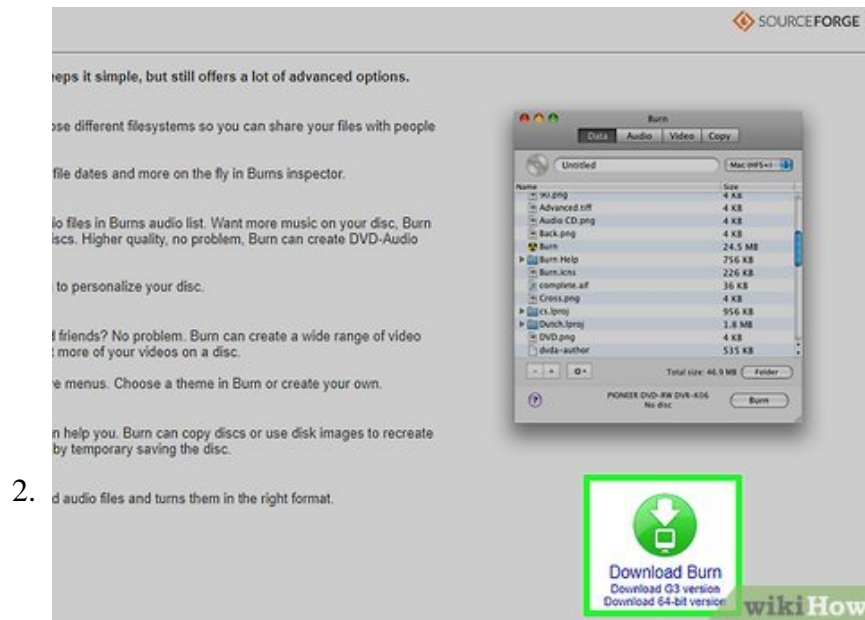
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Put a blank DVD in your drive. You can use any type of blank DVD to create a video DVD, but you'll have the most success with DVD±R discs on the widest range of players.

1. If any auto-play windows open after you insert the DVD into your computer, close them before continuing.

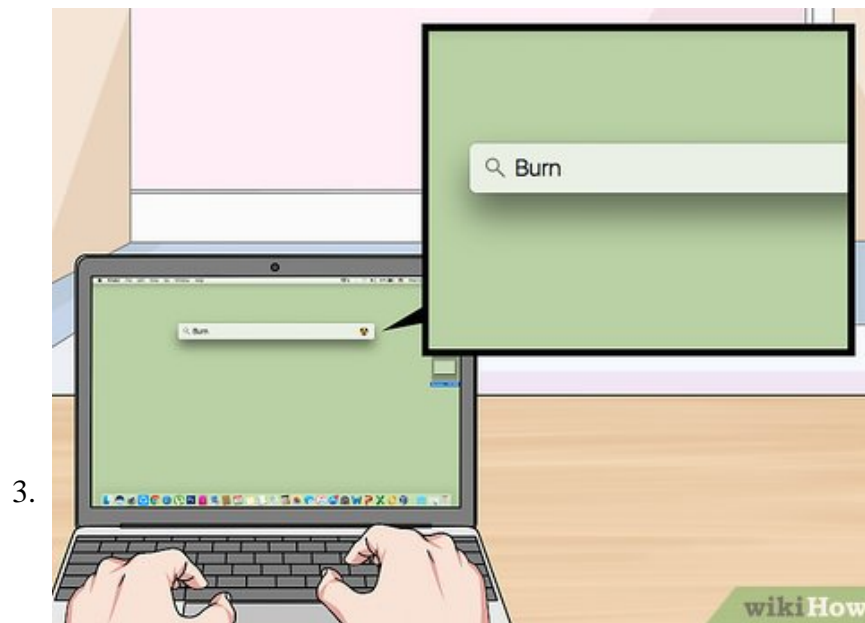
2. If your computer doesn't have a DVD tray (signified by the word "DVD" on or near the tray), you'll first have to buy and plug in a USB DVD tray. Make sure that you buy a version that fits your computer's USB slots, since modern Macs use USB-C slots rather than traditional USB slots.



2. Burn audio files and turns them in the right format.

Download and install Burn. Burn is a free program that, among other things, allows you to burn MP4 files to DVD discs. To do this, go to <http://burn-osx.sourceforge.net/Pages/English/home.html> in your browser, click **Download Burn** in the lower-right side of the page, and then do the following:

1. Open the Burn ZIP folder by double-clicking it.
2. Click and drag the Burn app icon into the Applications folder.
3. Double-click the Burn app icon.
4. Verify the download if prompted.



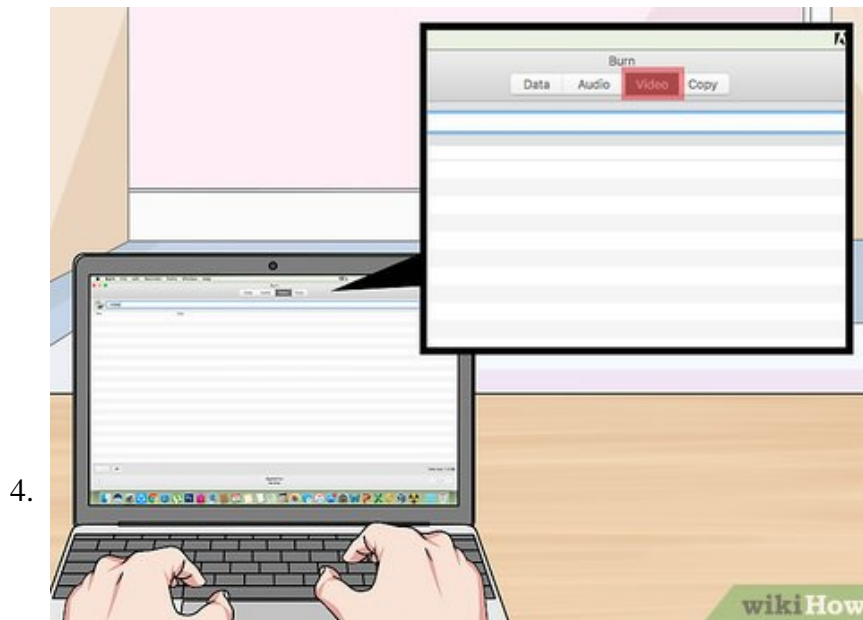
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Open Burn. Click Spotlight

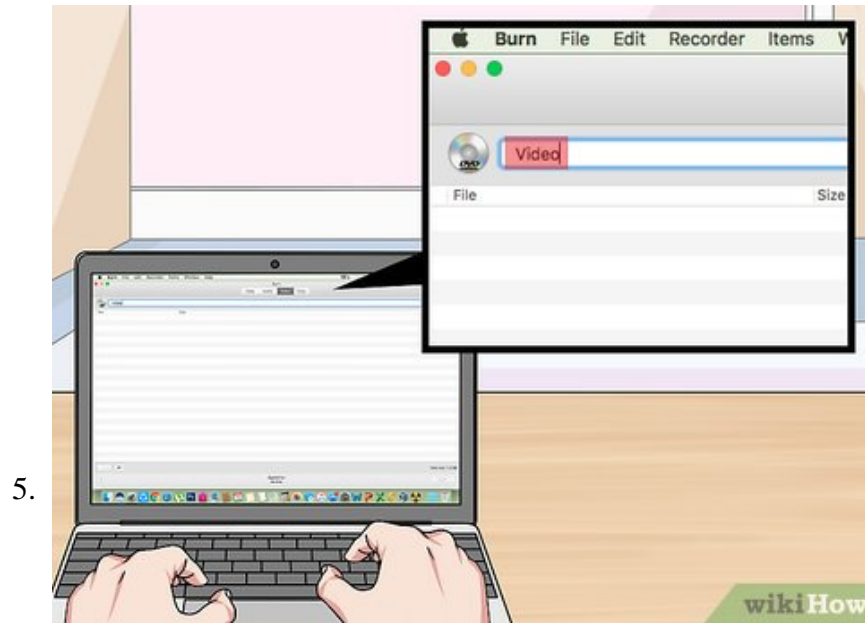


, type in `burn` , and double-click the **Burn** option when it appears in the search results.

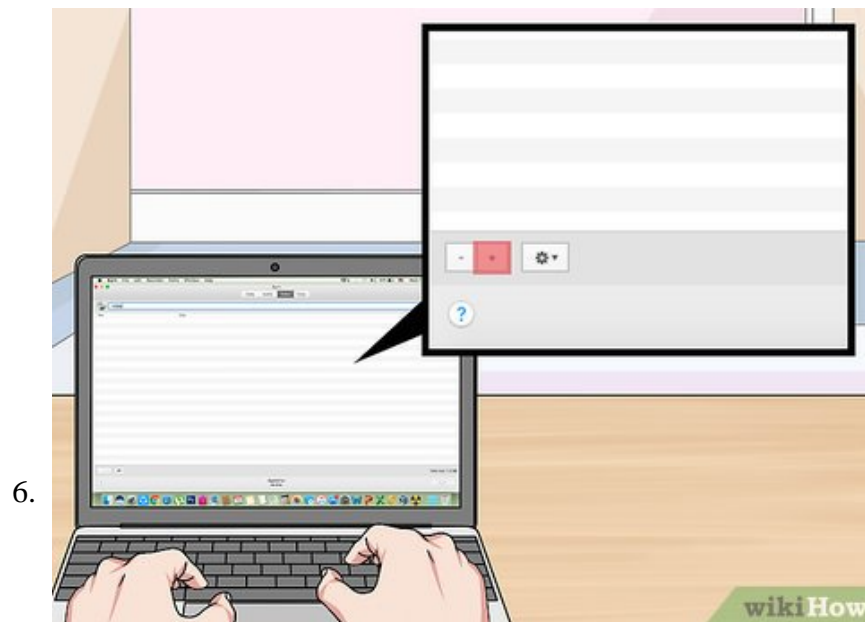
1. You may have to right-click the Burn app icon, click **Open** in the menu, and then click **Open** when prompted to get Burn to open correctly.



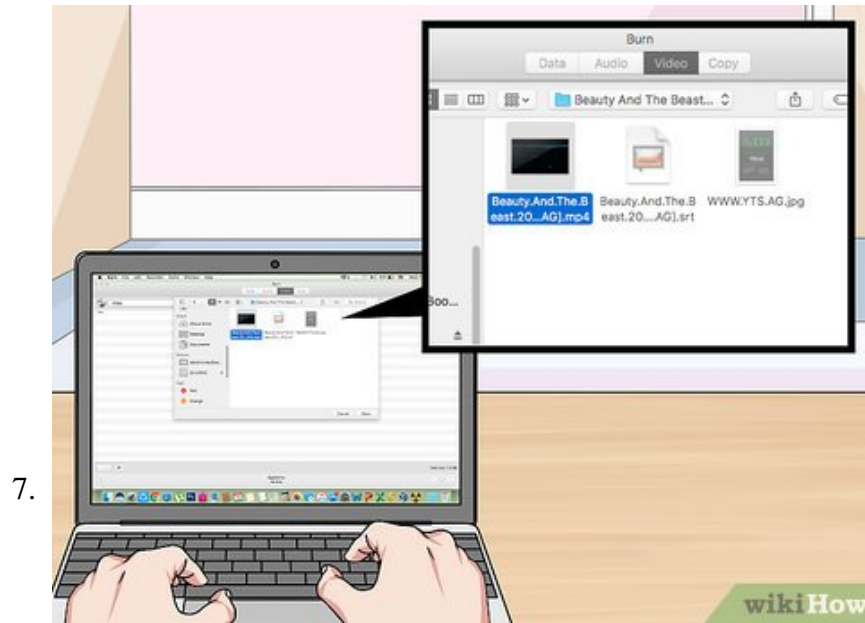
Click the `Video` tab. It's at the top of the Burn app window. This will shift the Burn file window to the "Video" section.



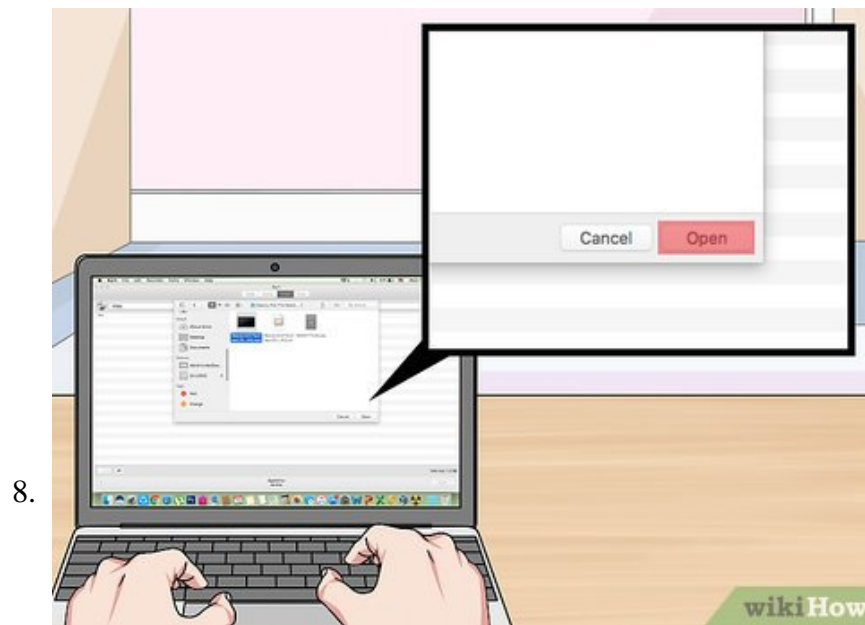
Enter a DVD name. Click the text field at the top of the Burn window, then replace the current text (usually "Untitled") with whatever you want to name your DVD.^[2]



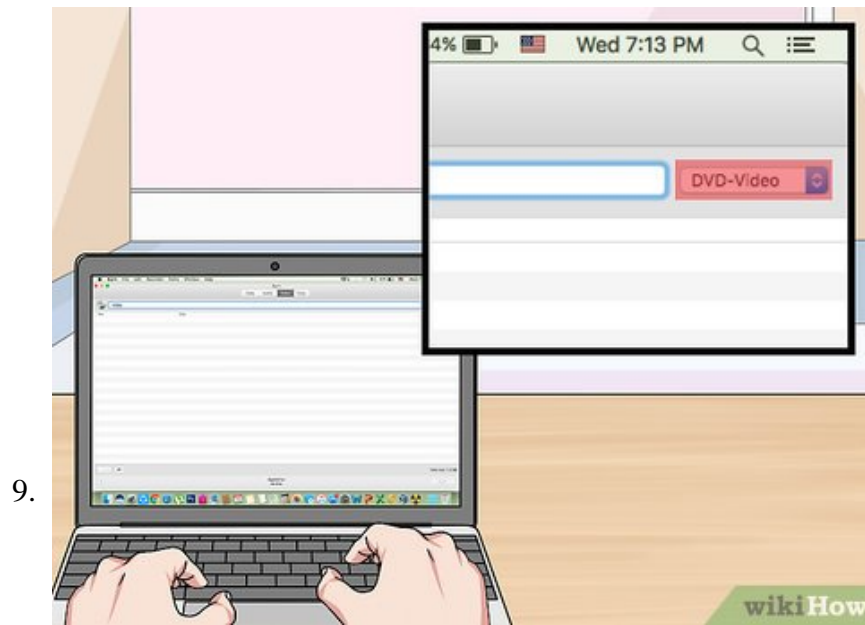
Click . It's in the bottom-left corner of the window. A Finder window will open.



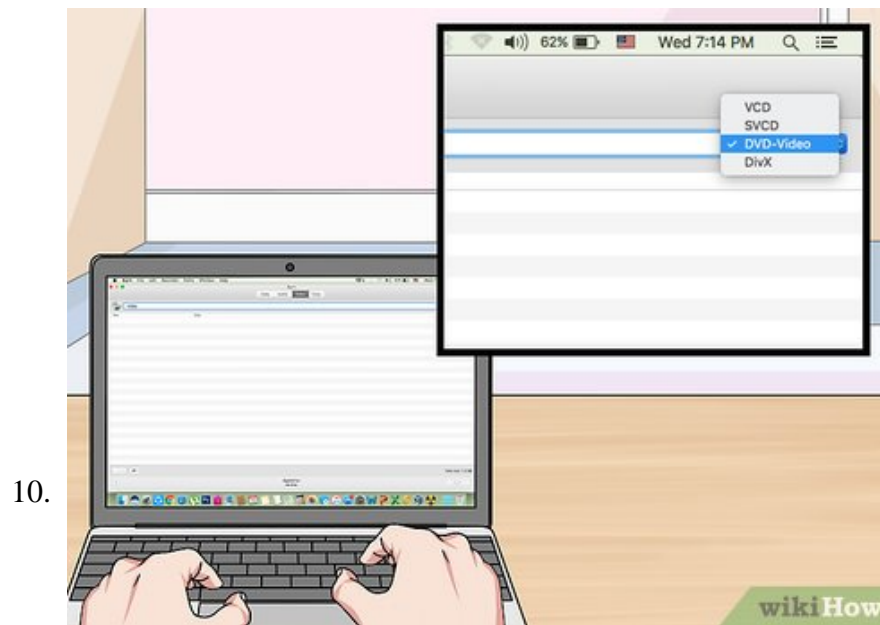
Select your MP4 file. Click the MP4 file that you want to burn onto your DVD.



Click . It's in the bottom-right corner of the Finder window. This will prompt the MP4 file to appear in the Burn window.

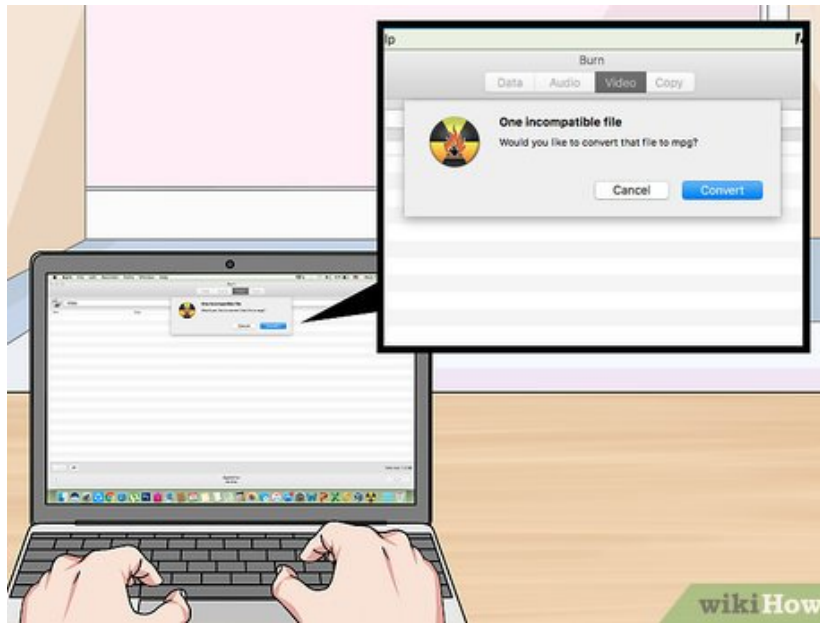


Click the file type drop-down box. This option is in the upper-right side of the Burn window.



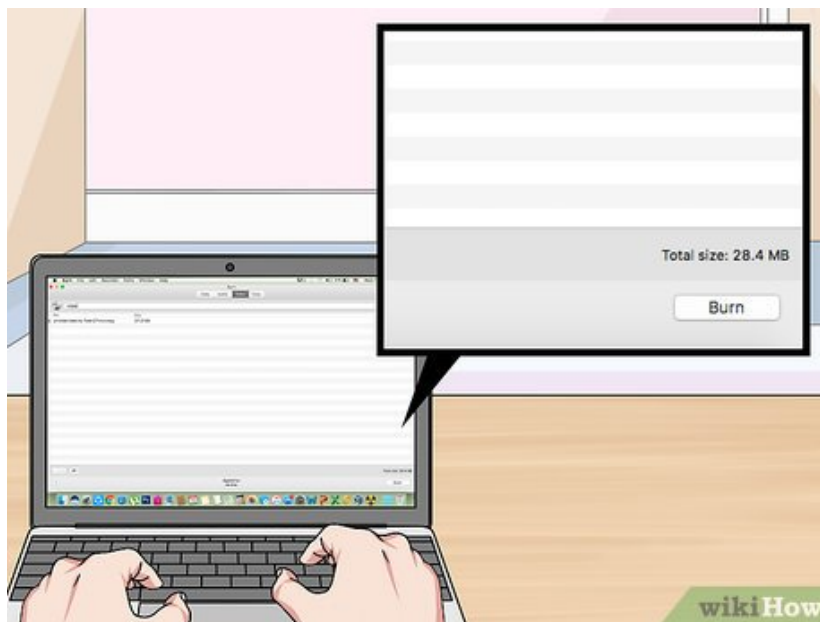
Click **DVD-Video**. It's in the drop-down menu.

11.



Click **Convert** if necessary. If you see a **Convert** option appear after selecting the file type, click it, then follow any on-screen prompts. This will ensure that your DVD file is playable on the DVD disc.

12.



Click **Burn**. It's in the bottom-right corner of the window. Your MP4 will begin burning onto the DVD disc.

13.



Follow any on-screen prompts. You may receive a notification when the burn is complete. If not, just wait for the progress bar to disappear. Once the burn is complete, you can eject your DVD and play it on any standard DVD player.

Method 3 of 4:

Burning a Data DVD on Windows

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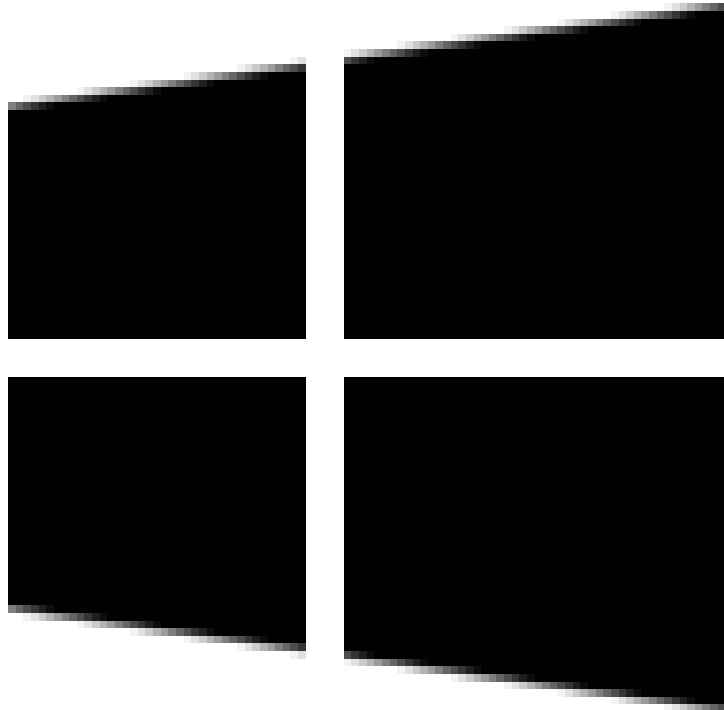
Insert a blank DVD into your computer's CD tray. Make sure that the DVD doesn't have any files on it before doing this.

1. The CD tray must be able to burn DVDs. You can tell whether or not your computer's CD tray can burn DVDs by looking for the "DVD" logo on or near the CD tray.

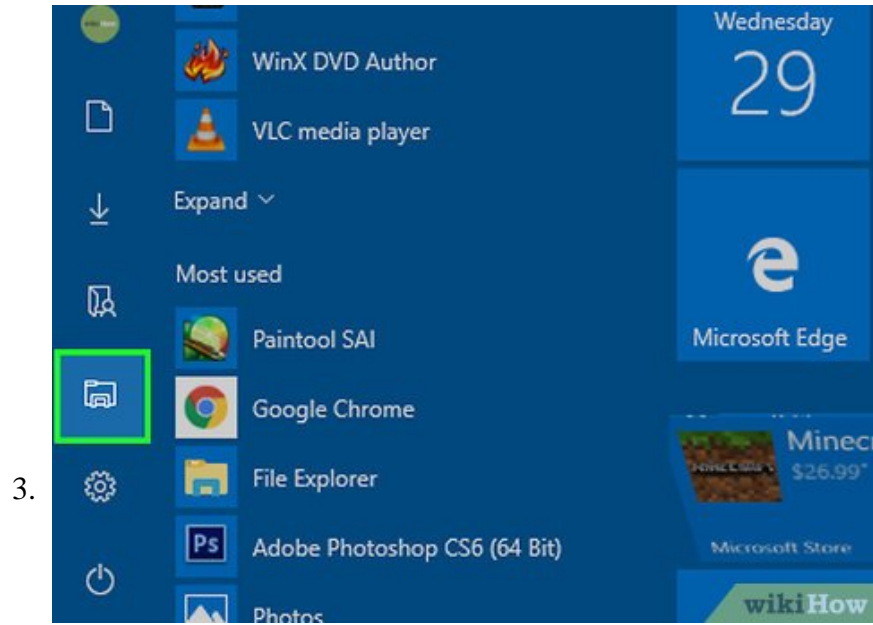
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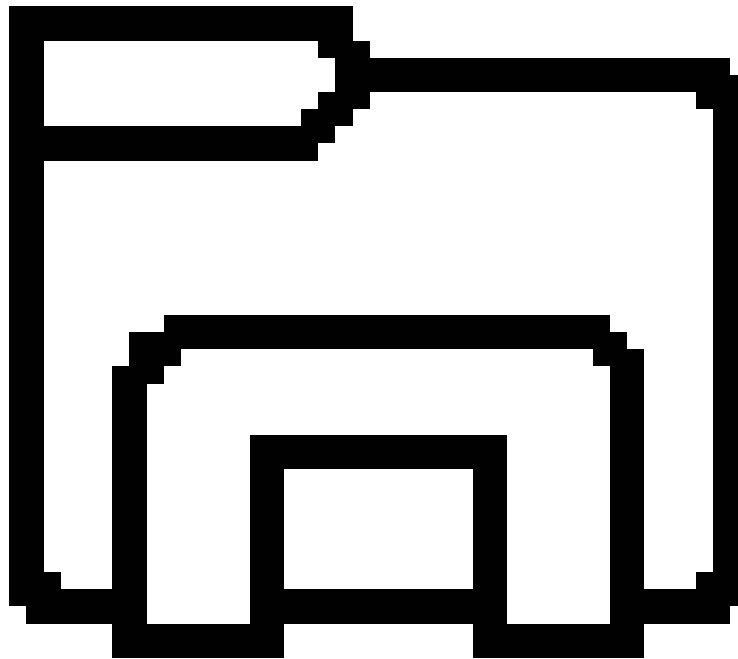
Open Start



. Click the Windows logo in the bottom-left corner of the screen.

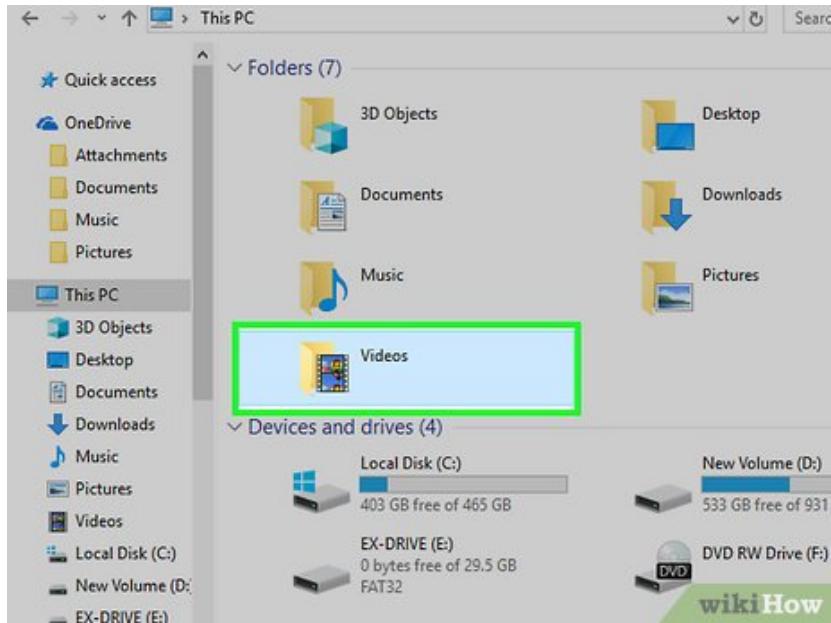


Open File Explorer



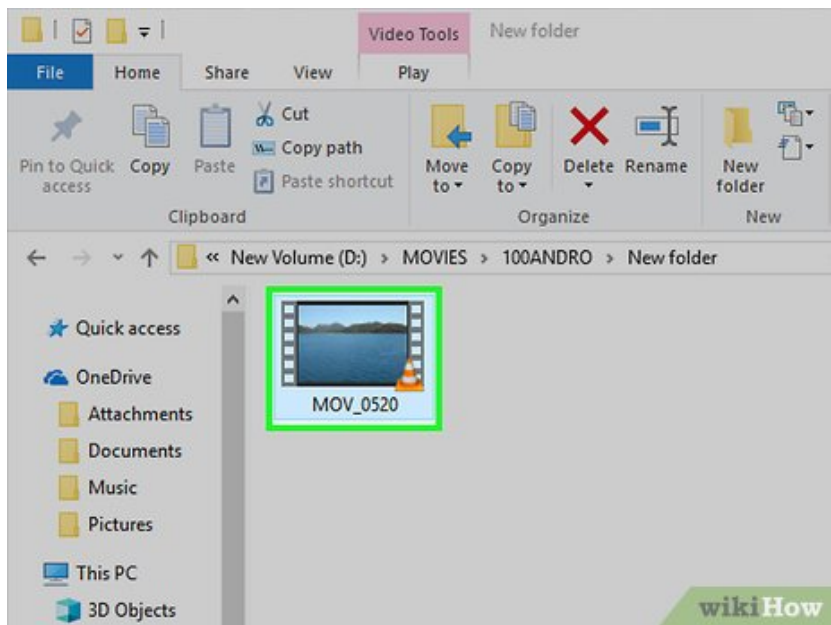
. Click the folder-shaped icon in the lower-left side of the Start window.

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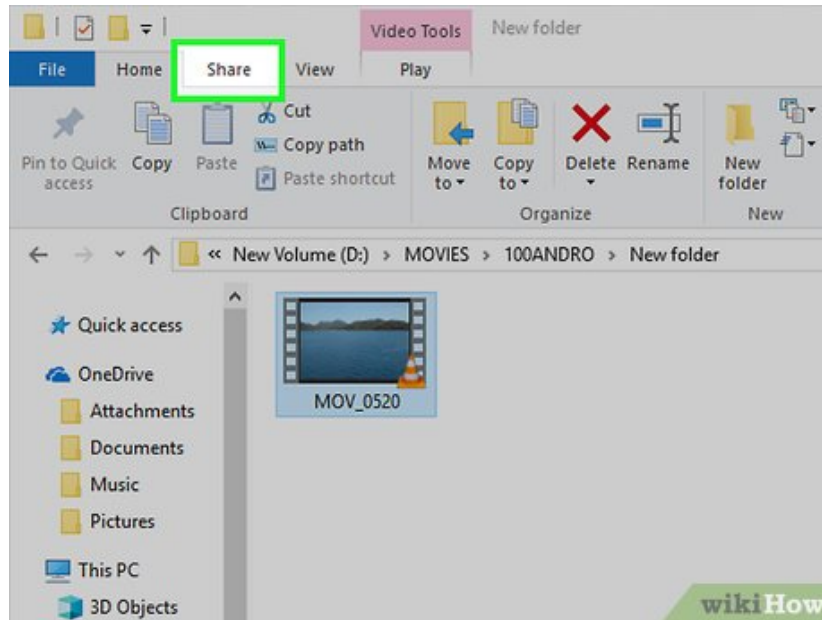
Select a file location. Click the folder in which your MP4 file is in.

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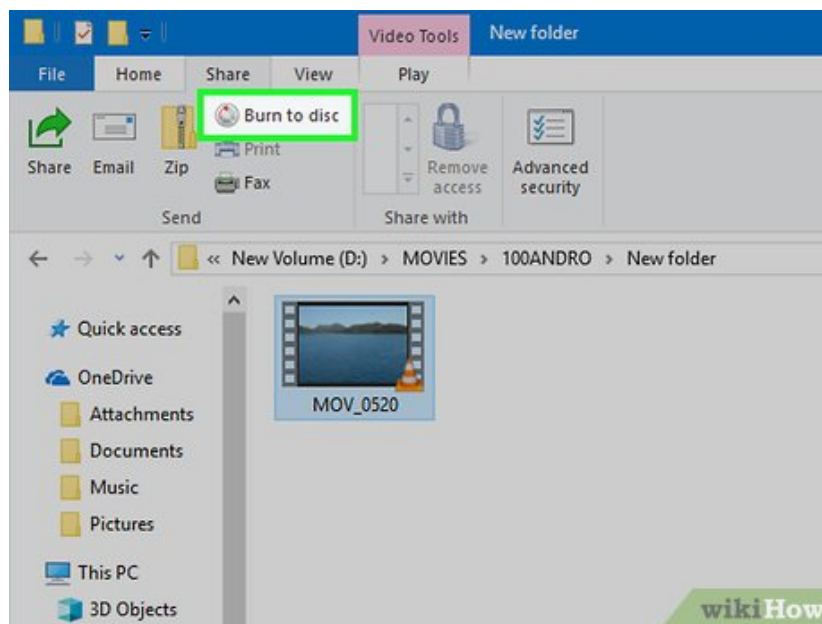
Select your movie. Click the movie file that you want to burn onto your DVD.

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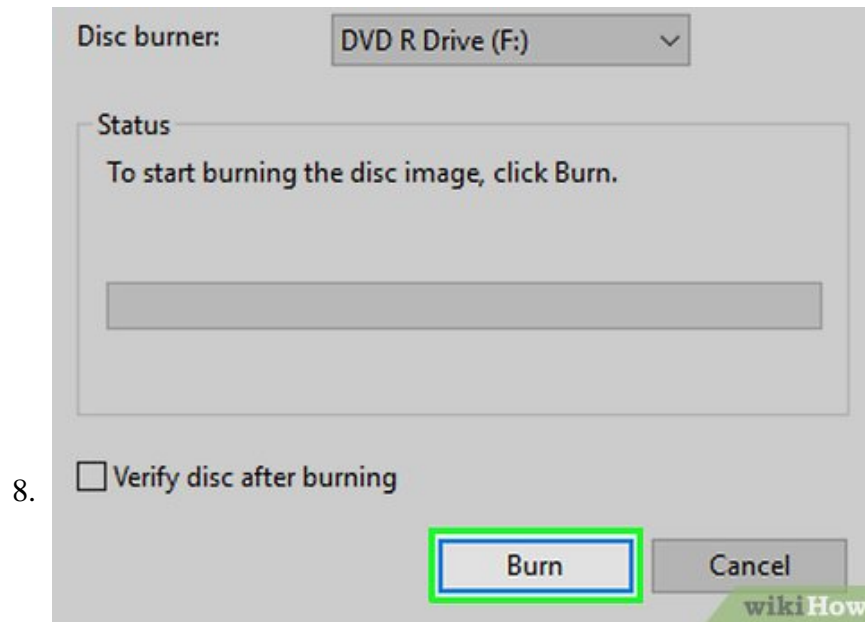


Click **Share**. It's in the upper-left side of the window. This will prompt a toolbar to appear at the top of the window.

7.



Click **Burn to disc**. You'll find this in the "Send" section of the toolbar. A window will open.



Click **Burn**. It's at the top of the window. Your movie will begin burning onto your DVD.

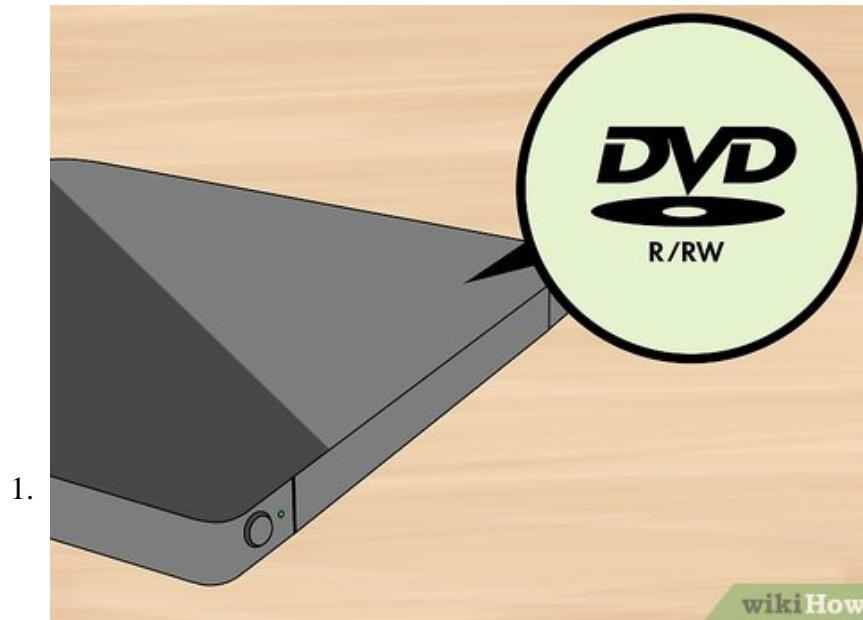
1. This process will take anywhere from several minutes to an hour or more depending on the size of the movie and your computer's burn speed.



Click **Finish** when prompted. It's at the bottom of the window. After you click **Finish**, you can eject your DVD from your computer. You should now be able to use your DVD to open and view the MP4 file on any computer with a DVD drive.

Method 4 of 4:

Burning a Data DVD on Mac



Buy and attach a USB DVD drive. Since most modern Macs don't come with DVD drives, you'll need an external one to burn your data DVD.

1. If your Mac uses USB-C (oval) ports rather than USB 3.0 (rectangular) ports, make sure that you get a DVD drive that uses a USB-C connection, or buy a USB 3.0 to USB-C adapter.



Insert a blank DVD into your Mac's CD tray. Make sure that the DVD doesn't have any files on it before doing this.

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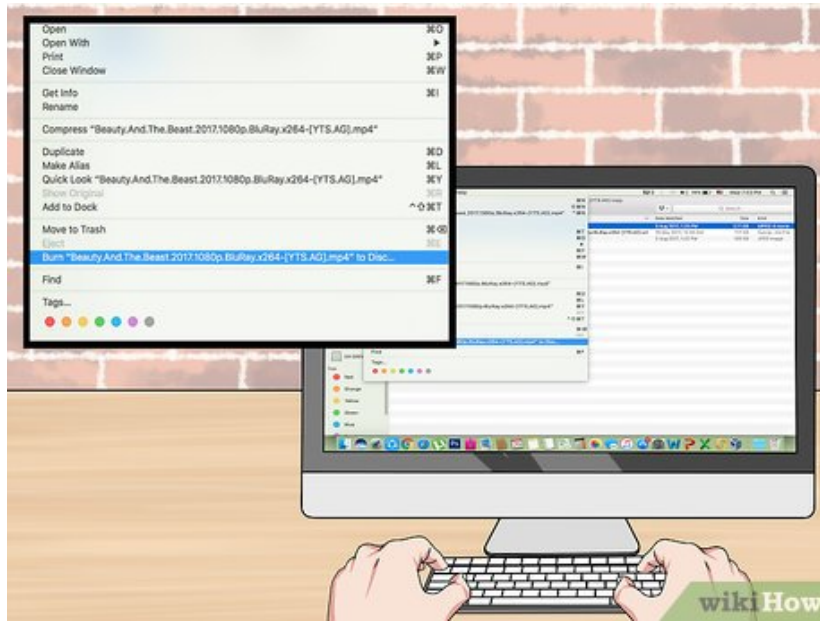
Open Finder. Click the blue, face-shaped icon in your Mac's Dock to do so.

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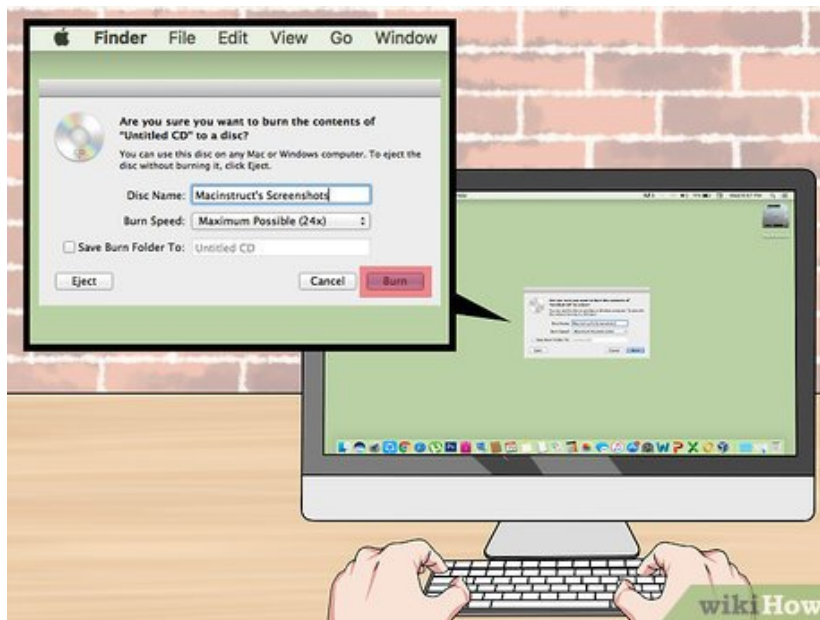
Go to the MP4 file's location. On the left side of the Finder window, click the folder in which your MP4 file is stored.

7.



Click **Burn [movie] to Disc...**. It's in the drop-down menu. Doing so will open the Burn window.

8.



Click **Burn** when prompted. It's near the bottom of the pop-up window.

9.



Click when prompted. It's in the bottom-right corner of the window. After you do this, you can eject your DVD from your computer. You should now be able to use your DVD to open and view the MP4 file on any computer with a DVD drive.

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