

Dragon Burn 4.1.2

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Dragon Burn is a program that lets you make or burn your on CD's and DVD's. It supports a wide variety of DVD-r/CD-r and RW drives. It allows you to copy legal and non-copy protected versions of your software and CD's, including but not limited to Music Cds and DVD's for your own personal use.

Made by NTI. They can be reached at:

<http://www.ntius.com/default.asp>

Compatibility:

- Macintosh computer with Power PC processor.
- Macintosh OS X 10.1.5 or later.
- 128 MB RAM.
- 20 MB of free disk space for software installation.
- NTI-supported CD or DVD recorder. Please visit their web site at www.ntius.com for the latest list of NTI-supported CD and DVD recorders.

Installing:

Installing Dragon burn was as easy as any other Mac friendly application. Put in the disk, Double click on the icon, a white drive installer icon appears. Drag the Gold disk icon named NTI to your applications folder and any other documentation you want with it and you are ready to use it.

It even came with a manual, which is getting rare!

How well does it work and what does it really do?

It can burn an Audio CD, MP3 CD, Live Audio CD (including recording your old records or LP's), Data CD/DVD, CD/DVD copy, Multiple Copy, Video SCD/SVCD Movie CD layout, Pictured CD, Custom CD (mix of data and music or other).

The interface is rather easy. If you have used other programs just think simple and you will do fine. A brushed aluminum window comes up when you run the program, which lets you choose from 9 of the above mentioned icons. Hold the mouse over one of them and a window drops down explaining what it will do. Click on it and a window appears letting you drag and drop what ever it was you wanted to make a CD/DVD of.

I used this program to copy a personal Dvd, a CD, made a CD and a DVD data disk. I even changed an mpeg 4 music format to MP3 format and made an MP3 disk for my oldest son that wanted a lot of MP3 songs on one disk. Not my way of listening to music but Dragon burn can do this. Dragon burn was the only program that can do this that I know of.

I found this program easy to use. I was not able to play my Picture Cd on the TV, cause my DVD player (the one on my TV) does not support that feature. Some features do require newer or modern equipment with the stereo or DVD system it is going to be played on, so keep that in mind.

I did not make a video using this program. That was not something I had time to do, so I will not include that part in my review.

I use generic CD-R's and DVD-R's. I used an internal apple DVD-RW drive on a laptop as well an external case with a Pioneer 107D and a Pioneer 110D. I had no problems with any of them and the Disk worked fine in other drives.

I would highly recommend this program to anyone wanting to burn CD's or DVD's. This program supports session burns too. (able to reuse the disk for multiple burns)

I rate this program a 4 out of 5.

It's not expensive and I like that, about \$49.95.

What I would like to see in the next version:

I would like this program to be able to write password protected disks. I like to back up important data and I would like have the option to encrypt the CD or DVD.

Who am I and what is my experience on the Mac:

I am a veteran Mac user with years of experience with Macs. I started with a 512K Mac, before hard drives and CD's. I have 21 years of experience and I like utilities like this one.

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